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NEWSLETTER 3 Friday 2nd October 2020 Executive Headteacher: Mr James Procter Email: office@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk "Achievement for All, Learning Together, Learning for Life"

# Hello October!

Wow, it's October! We can't believe how fast this year is going!

Now the weather is getting a bit colder, please can we ask that all children come into school in appropriate outdoor clothing; a coat, hat and gloves, if necessary.

Our Reception class had their vision screening on Thursday and the school nurse wanted to pass on how fantastic the class were. They were very patient as they waited their turn and participated really well throughout the whole process! Well done Oak class!

Have a fantastic weekend and we'll see you all next week!

Mrs K Vile and the team at Chiddingly Primary School

# Learning Powers Certificate

Due to the Coronavirus restrictions, we are no longer able to invite you in to watch your children receive their learning power certificate. We will continue with Learning Powers and will send the certificate home with your child next week.

Oak - Penny Gingell

Beech - Wilfred Champion

Willow - Elijah Tullet

Sycamore - Caelan Lewis

Well done to you all!





# <u>Top Tips!</u>

- **Contingency Plan** In the newsletter last week there was a slip for parents to return if they do not have access to technology at home. If you need to return the slip, please do so as soon as possible. Please let the School Office know if you need the form again or would like a paper copy.
- Year 6 open evenings Parents will have received a number of emails on Parent Mail regarding various secondary school virtual open evenings. Please note that the application deadline for secondary school applications is the **31st October 2020**.
- **Clubs** If you would like your child to attend the clubs that are on offer this term, please complete the form which was sent via Parent Mail.

If you need the newsletter or other school letters to be in a different format, please speak to Mrs Baitup in the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Baitup.



## Dates for your diary 2020/21

We are releasing dates for your diary up until Christmas, due to the ever changing situation with Coronavirus. If you need term dates for the whole year, you can find them on the East Sussex County Council website <u>here</u>.

Some dates are also TBC as we are currently unsure on timing.

#### <u>Term 1</u>

#### October 2020

1st Vision Screening for Reception children 12<sup>th</sup> Wellbeing Day 23<sup>rd</sup> Last day of term 1

#### <u>Term 2</u>

#### November 2020

2<sup>nd</sup> Term 2 starts 9th provisional date booked for flu vaccination 10<sup>th</sup> Open evening- new intake (6-7pm) 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance service TBC WC 16<sup>th</sup> Anti-bullying week WC 23rd dates TBC Parent consultations (4-6pm) 30<sup>th</sup> Open evening- new intake (6-7pm)



#### December 2020

8<sup>th</sup> Nativity dress rehearsal TBC 10<sup>th</sup> Nativity TBC 18<sup>th</sup> Christingle service TBC Last day of term 2

#### **Reminders**

Please could we remind parents of the following:

- During pick up and drop off, please ensure all the walkways and pavements are clear so that parents and children are able to access their school gates safely.
- Please remember to socially distance when dropping off and collecting your children.
- If you have a meeting at the school, or need to come and speak to someone at the School Office, please remember to bring a mask. If you do not have one, please let the School Office know and they can provide you with a disposable mask.

As ever, thank you for your continued support.

## <u>Thank you!</u>

A huge thank you to Miss Webb and Miss Waterman for their incredibly hard work redecorating the shared area! They spent two weeks during the Summer Holidays updating the characters and freshening up the learning zone.



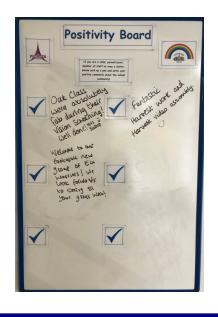




How fab does it look!

## Positivity Board

This weeks Positivity Board!



## <u>This Week's Birth-</u> days

Happy Birthday to Amber Richards-Forsey who's birthday is on the 3rd October!



## <u>Attendance</u>

The whole school attendance for this year so far is **98.1%** 

This week's attendance:

Oak - 100%

Beech - 99.2%

Willow - 98.4%

Sycamore - 95.9%

Well done to Oak for having the highest attendance this week!

100%

96.5 to 99.9% 95 to 96.4%

Less than 94.9%

# PFCS News

With Christmas around the corner it will soon be time to start thinking about the Christmas gift list. We have just the present for Auntie and Uncle, Grandma and Grandad and that all important memory keep sake for you too!



We've got some of your presents sorted...



Watch this space! More information to come!

# <u>Oak</u>

In Oak class this week we went on a learning walk on the field where we found lots of leaves, sticks and other things out in nature. We brought them back to the classroom where we created some detailed art work of our favourite thing we found. Here are some examples.



## <u>Beech</u>

This week Beech have been really busy designing and making their own toys. They have been finding out about the materials toys are made from- they even had a visit from an old bear over the weekend who was found in some very funny places in the classroom and even in Mrs Viles chair in her office! They have been superstars in maths and have worked really hard to learn new symbols and mathematical language to show greater and fewer! In their reading session last Friday they had a reading light party, all the classroom lights were turned off and they all shared a text about 'Dogger' using their coloured finger lights!



#### <u>Willow</u>

This week Willow Class have been learning about Harvest time and did some creative writing from inspirational autumn photographs. The class wrote stories and factual writing. We had fun filming our pieces of writing, illustrations and facts for the Harvest festival assembly!



#### Sycamore

Sycamore Class have had lots of fun again in Forest School - they built dens and hammocks, made bug hotels, designed mushroom pots and tidied and planted in the garden beds. The weather took a turn for the worse, but they stayed out in the pouring rain, thunder and lightning! The class have also been finding out about Victorian crime and punishment this week and have been trying to write in the style of Arthur Conan Doyle for a Sherlock Holmes adventure!



## <u>Welcome!</u>

A warm welcome to Miss King who will be helping out in Willow class. Miss King has come to us from the University of Sussex and will be with us until Easter!





## Forest School

This week we were lucky with the weather and Sycamore had a great day exploring. Some made dens using ropes, tarps and long branches. Then some boys decided to make a rope swing and a zip line which they had great time on. We had the slack line up for children, they had to work as a team to get across it. They also did leaf printing and willow weaving making hearts.

Last of all the children made toffee apples cooked over the fire, then dipped in sugar and then heated to make the sugar turn to brown. Then they had to wait for the toffee to harden and to cool. The children loved it and of course we had smores too!

A big thank you to the volunteers who helped this week at Forest School.



## Learning Powers

Well done to those children receiving their learning power certificates today in celebration assembly!



# <u>Library Heroes</u>

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Richards— Forsey for bringing in some books for the library. Any addition to our library is greatly received!

Thank you to Mr and Mrs McKay for the delivery of the Julia Donaldson collection! These will make a fab addition to our library!



If you would like to contribute, please click on the Amazon link <u>here</u>. The link will take you to a list of books we need for the library. If you do buy some books for the school, please do include your name or let us know that you have bought them so we can thank you!

#### <u>Partnership News</u>

Our very own Miss Frankel has started teaching at Park Mead as well as continuing in Beech Class two days a week. This is a great link for both schools and we hope it will help build a strong partnership between the schools!



#### Eco News

As the new academic year settles in we have picked our eco group for this year. Our Eco Warriors are in charge of promoting turning off lights, turning off taps and recycling within their classes. We look forwards to seeing them do a great job like those that have gone before! They are:

Oak: Bertie and Frances

Beech: Freddy and Rowan

Willow: Holly and Pixie

Sycamore: Michael and Jean-Paul



Mr Herdman is currently busy renovating the chicken area and we are hoping to have our chickens back very soon which have kindly been looked after Mrs Champion since March. Once they are back our fresh free range eggs will be on sale again so watch this space!

Please don't forget to bring your crisp packets in for recycling. Bags can be left with the office or given to your child to bring in. We get 1p per crisp packet and so raise money as well as save the planet! Currently we have raised over £50 for the school through this excellent scheme.

# <u>Class photos - KS1</u>

# <u>Oak</u>





# <u>Class photos - KS2</u>

# <u>Willow</u>









# Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

#### How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- · there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

#### How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- If you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

