



Chiddingly Primary School

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NEWSLETTER 2 Term 2

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“Achievement for All, Learning Together, Learning for Life”

Remembrance Day

Dear Chiddingly Families,

We have had another fab week at Chiddingly. We have taken part in lots of different activities, mainly focusing on the 11th November, Remembrance Day. You can read more about what we did for Remembrance Day further on in the newsletter.

Willow Class also had their first Forest School which they thoroughly enjoyed! Miss Waterman commented on how relaxed and chilled the children were, well done Willow! Read on for our Forest School section which includes lots of photos and explanations on what the children did.

Sycamore enjoyed their ‘Great Exhibition Day’ and there were so many great outfits! Thank you Sycamore for getting into character!

Please could we remind all parents to remain transparent with any household symptoms surrounding Coronavirus. It is important for the school to be informed as soon as a member of a household or pupil begins to develop symptoms compatible with the Coronavirus. Please see [here](#) for and NHS guide on Coronavirus symptoms.

As ever, thank you for your continued support during these unprecedented times.

Mr Brundle, Mr Procter and Mrs Vile

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 when we return from half term.

Oak - Philippa Holt

Beech – Lucas Samson

Willow – Pixie-Leigh Vine

Sycamore - Sebastian Markwick

Well done to you all!



Top Tips!

- Remember to order your child’s lunch menu choices through ParentPay. If you have any problems with ordering their lunch choice, please email the School Office on office@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk
- You should have received a letter via ParentMail about Parent Consultations. Parent Consultations will take place through Google Meet. Please let the Class Teacher or the School Office know if you are unable to access Google Meet. Please note that you do not need an app to access Google Meet.

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 Corona-virus. If you need term dates for the whole year, you can find them on the East Sussex County Council web-site [here](#).

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

Term 2

November 2020

2nd Term 2 starts

9th Flu Vaccination

10th Open evening- new intake (6-7pm) CANCELLED due to lockdown

11th Remembrance service TBC

WC 16th Anti-bullying week

WC 23rd dates TBC Parent consultations (4-6pm) Letter to be sent shortly

27th November Wear your Christmas Clothes Day—PFCS

30th Open evening- new intake (5-6pm) CANCELLED due to lockdown



December 2020

8th Nativity dress rehearsal TBC

10th Nativity TBC

11th Christmas Jumper Day (Save The Children)

18th Christingle service TBC

18th Last day of term 2

East Sussex Parent Carer Forum



GUEST SPEAKER

Dr Emily Lovegrove

Psychologist, lecturer, and author of 'Autism, Bullying and Me' will be joining us to talk about her work on autism and anti-bullying strategies, followed by a Q&A.

11am—12.30pm
Thursday 26th November
Via Zoom

To attend this FREE event, email info@espcf.org.uk



www.thebullyingdoctor.com

Reminders

Please could we remind parents of the following:

- Please ensure you are following social distancing guidelines when picking up and dropping off your child (ren). We ask that you vacate the area as soon as you have dropped off or collected your child(ren) to avoid congestion before and after school.
- If your child(ren) is in Oak and Beech Class, please queue up against the hedge near the gate and move forwards in the line towards the gate as others pick up their children. Please make sure you queue on the right hand side as you are looking at the gate.
- 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.

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year so far is

96.4%

This week's attendance:

Oak - 95.6%

Beech - 96.2%

Willow - 98.6%

Sycamore - 94.4%

Well done to **Willow** for having the highest attendance this week!

100%

96.5 to 99.9%

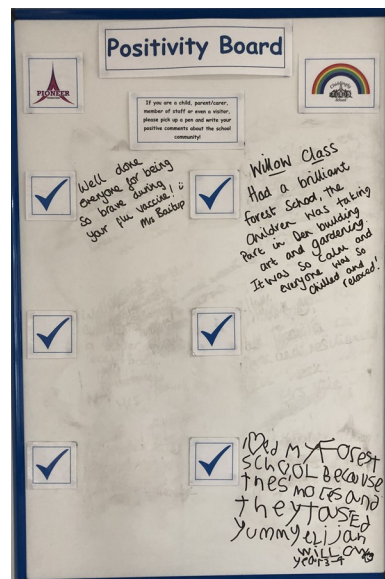
95 to 96.4%

Less than 94.9%

Positivity Board

This weeks Positivity Board!

Please do let us know if there is anything you would like us to add to the Board!



PFCS News

Last chance to get your orders in!

And here we have it...our 2020 Chiddingly school tea towel! We've done a test print and we're really happy with the print quality, design and feel of the tea towel. Doesn't it look GREAT!?

They're the ideal Christmas present at £7 each. Payment in cash to Lizzie Gurr or Amy McGowan, or BACs - email pfcs@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk for details. Payment as soon as possible please, no later than the end of next week. Many thanks!



Chiddingly Village Shop

Chiddingly Village Shop are hosting a selection of Christmas 'stalls' in the run up to the holidays. These are for a mix of charities and local makers. The **PFCS** have a table in the shop from now until Thursday 19th November. There are loads of fantastic Christmas and party bargains to be had! All proceeds from our table will go towards fundraising for the school. If you can, please do pop in this week to have a browse at our stall and some of the other items in the shop.

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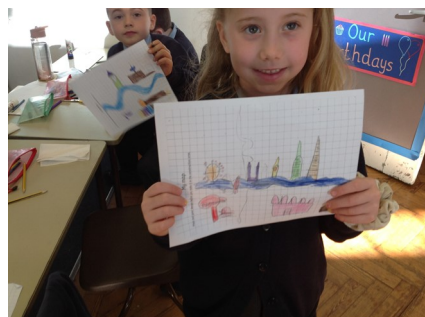
Oak

This week in Oak class we have been learning about Remembrance Day. Oak class have been very mature and respectful. We have made poppy wreaths, red ones for the soldiers that gave their lives and a purple one for the animals. We also made poppies and painted fields of poppies. We have been re-capping all of our phonics and learning about the number 7, this is our new maths wall where we can explore the numbers in lots of different ways.



Beech

This week Beech have been busy recreating London landscapes and maps of the city in their 'exploring time'. There has been a real buzz of excitement in the classroom when children have completed challenges to make the different buildings or bring their maps to life in the small world area. There has been some great phonics work on our sounds of the week and in English we have been looking at the story of a dog who helped out in WW1. The children made purple poppies when they learnt about the role of the animals in the war.



Willow

This week Willow thoroughly enjoyed Forest School! We were on the school site today enjoying a huge variety of activities! From gardening and crafts to building dens and toasting marshmallows on the fire! You can read all about our Forest School experience further on in the newsletter!



Sycamore

Sycamore Class have been busy this week exploring different skills and techniques that will be needed for their Victorian Newspaper Report. In Maths they have been learning about adding and subtracting fractions and in RE, the different uses of light in the Christmas story and traditions for Christians. They have been recreating characters from Alice in Wonderland in Art and getting ready for their Great Exhibition invention day. Some children produced their own inventions for Great Exhibition Day too!



Forest School

This week Willow thoroughly enjoyed Forest School! We were on the school site today enjoying a huge variety of activities! From gardening and crafts to building dens and toasting marshmallows on the fire!

The children explored the wide variety of leaves that can be found on the school playing field. They collected as many different leaves as they could from different varieties of trees – they found loads! This highlighted how many different types of trees they can find in your local area (linking brilliantly to our topic!). Later they used leaves to create some beautiful, colourful art pieces! Some children helped to lovingly plant bulbs in the nature garden, ready for spring! Children also had the opportunity to go on a bug hunt – even a newt was found! They made impressive, well thought through dens and toasted marshmallows on the fire!



Learning Powers

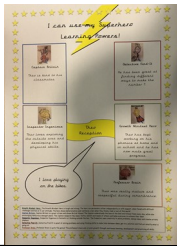
Well done to those children receiving their learning power certificates today in celebration assembly!



Sycamore - Aidan Holder



Willow - Stanley Ward



Oak - Theo Heighton



Beech - River-James Vine

Partnership News

The GDPR taskforce met virtually this week to discuss the upcoming GDPR visit from the Local Authority. The Pioneer Federation achieved outstanding in last years inspection and the hope is for outstanding to be achieved again this year!

Mr Herdman and Mr Gray, caretakers for East Hoathly/Chiddingly and St Mary's respectively, have both visited Park Mead to continue to work on small projects.



COVID19 Update

We continue to ask parents to be transparent with any symptoms and testing within the household. It is important for the school to know in order to make informed decisions. Please contact the School Office if you have any questions.

You should have received our updated COVID19 risk assessment by ParentMail this week. Please ensure you take the time to familiarise yourself with it.

Remembrance Day

Remembrance looked a little different this year – however we were able to remember those who have fought and died for our country and show our respect for them. We observed the silence on the playground in our bubbles as a whole school and the children were impeccable and made this years remembrance special in testing times. Unfortunately, Sycamore could not attend the Chiddingly church as they have done in previous years to be part of the service however they recorded their part of the service which you can view it on the following link <https://en-gb.facebook.com/EastHoathlyChurch/videos/400773144615771/>

Beech class read 'Where the poppies grow' by Hilary Robinson and then they found out about a dog called Sergeant Stubby who helped in ww1. They found out about the animals who helped out in the war and made purple poppies. Annie's painting shows the fields and the animals we remember as well as the soldiers.



Virtual Cross Country

Being active and moving is more important now than ever and as a federation of schools we are working hard to ensure our pupils and community are doing this. We are also working closely with our local schools to explore different options to provide events and sporting competitions to ensure our children are still getting these experiences despite the challenging times.

This term we will be taking on the virtual cross-country challenge. Across the next two weeks, all the children in KS2 (Year 3-6) will complete either a 1k or 1.5k timed run within the school grounds (this is between 10/15-30 laps of school's playgrounds). We will then collate these times and work out the fastest boy and girl in each year at each school, across the three schools and then submit all pupils times to our local school games officer who will enter us into the Lewes and Ringmer wide competition.

We will celebrate our year group and federation winners in the newsletter and celebration assemblies when all children have completed the challenge.

Each week we will post a personal home active lockdown challenge, if you would like to take part feel free to send us in a photo of you having a go and each week, we will share these!

This week's challenge:

Step Ups - How many can you do in a minute? You can use stairs or an outdoor step to complete this challenge.

Ready, steady go!

Step-Ups

Carefully, step on and off the bench, one foot at a time.

