

Dear Chiddingly families, Christmas has definitely begun here at Chiddingly this week. Beech and Oak have been busy rehearsing their Nativity, KS2 sung at the Village Shop and there have been many Christmas trees and decorations popping up in the classrooms! Sycamore Class have started a new link with a French school in Lachelle by making a Christmas card for another child and asking questions to their new pen pal. Finally we received some very exciting news that Chiddingly Bonfire Society have very kindly donated £250 to the PFCS, following the fundraising on Saturday night at their first bonfire event. Thank you Chiddingly Bonfire Society for such a generous donation. Mrs Mackarness

Whole School Christmas Lunch

Whole school lunch (14th December) - Please book your child's Christmas lunch via the following Google-Form before Monday 5th December. Please also let us know if they are home packed lunch via this form: https://forms.gle/mqevKxK4xCmCzXtU8

ESCC is consulting on their fourth Local Transport Plan

This Plan will look at improving transport and travel to better connect people to places between 2023 and 2050. They want to know your views on county wide transport issues, opportunities and priorities which will affect you and your child(ren) now and in the future. You can help to shape the Plan by responding to the consultation which can be found online at East Sussex - Citizen Space, or by using the QR code:



Skills Builders (Next Two Weeks)

You are welcome to join us in our celebration assemblies on Fridays at 9.15am.

The following children will be celebrating their Skills Builders in the next two weeks:

Friday 9th December

Reuben B Holly L
Henry G Archie P

Friday 16th December

Reuben M Olivia
Deeks Luna

Car Park — Disabled Space

Please make sure you are not parking in the disabled space unless you are a blue badge holder. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Skills Builders

Congratulations to these children who had their Skills Builders celebrated in the last two weeks.











The Active Mile WE HAVE REACHED 1,000 MILES!

A huge well done to all the children and staff involved and we look forward to reaching our next milestone.



494 Miles



299.1 Miles



277.8 Miles



1,070.9 Miles



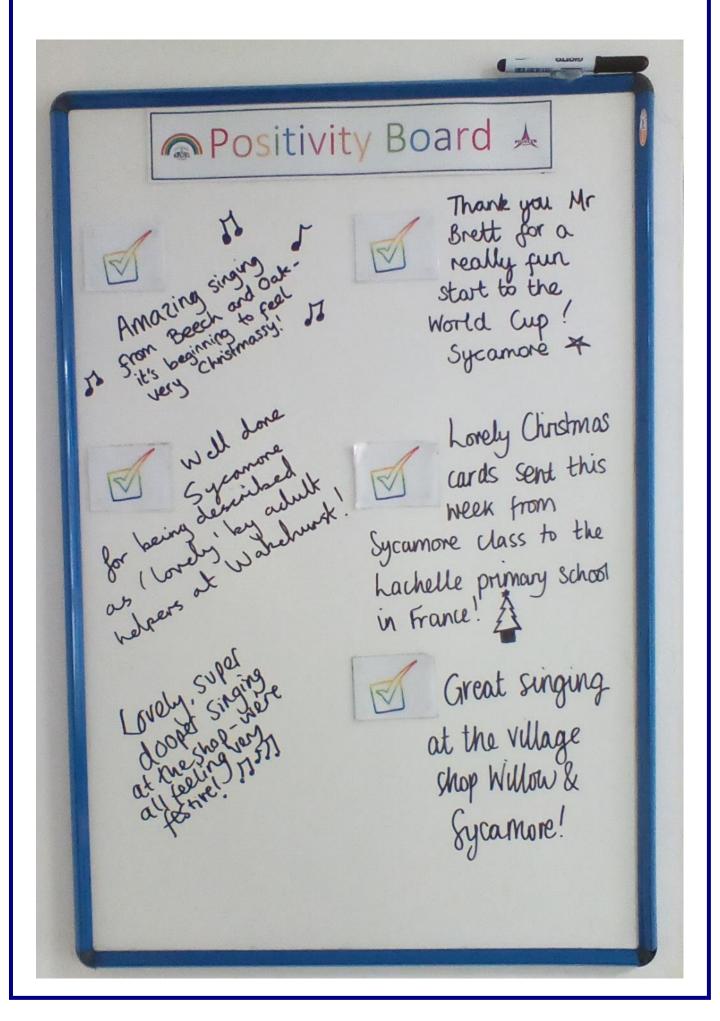


to Chiddingly Parish Bonfire Society who have kindly donated



to the Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School





Class Updates

<u>Oak</u>

Over the last two weeks Oak Class have been learning about Diwali, the Hindu festival of light. During this time they learnt about the story of Rama and Sita and made many things linked to the festival. They also made their own Diya lamps out of clay then painted and glittered their lamps.



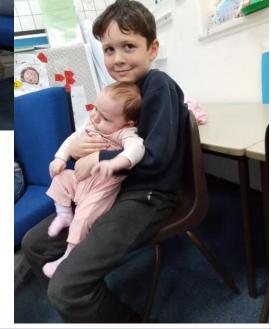
<u>Beech</u>

Beech have been very busy in Geography this week looking at different locations and making them in our small world area. They have made some fabulous maps and even used a key! In science Alex's sister Margot came to visit and we found out how babies grow and how to look after them. Thank you so much for the visit Margot!









Willow

Willow have been learning about 'where we are' in the world and have been exploring the local history, the physical and the human features of our local area. We loved having the opportunity to be a part of this community whilst singing at the village shop on Thursday, spreading some Christmas cheer. We have been focusing on these positive attitudes and behaviours through an anti-bullying focus in the last two weeks, and have begun to write our own resilience poems in literacy, which we can't wait to share when finished!







Sycamore

Sycamore Class had an excellent visit to the botanic gardens at Wakehurst this week. They explored the grounds and found out how trees and plants have adapted to survive in their environment and they also made art from natural resources. In the afternoon, they visited the Millennium Seed Bank to look at the smallest and largest seeds in the world and research more through a scavenger hunt for answers! The children represented the school well and were described as 'lovely' by the adults there, with their listening and questioning skills being praised also.













Forest School (Last Week)

Last week, Willow Class took part in more first aid learning and completed their robots. They also did some art: printing (repeat patterns) and wrapping coloured string around sticks. They had an opportunity to do free exploration outside and got very messy with mud sliding and climbing trees!















Dates For Your Diary!

December 2022

6th — Panto performance paid for by PFCS

9th—Travelling crib in assembly (from Chiddingly church)

12th—Nativity dress rehearsal

13th—KS1 Nativity (2pm)

14th—Whole school Christmas lunch

16th—Term 2 ends

January 2023

4th—Term 3 starts May 2023

February 2023 1st—Bank Holiday

10th—Term 3 ends 8th—Bank Holiday

20th—Term 4 starts 26th—Term 5 ends

<u>March 2023</u> <u>June 2023</u>

31st— Term 4 ends 6th—Term 6 starts

<u>April 2023</u> <u>July 2023</u>

17th—Term 5 starts 20th—Term 6 ends

Changes to Key Stage 2 Dates

An additional Bank Holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8 May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 Key Stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary. Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned.

As such, the new schedule will be:

- -Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- -Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper
- -Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
- -Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)





POPPY APPEAL

Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal.

£101-90 was collected by you.

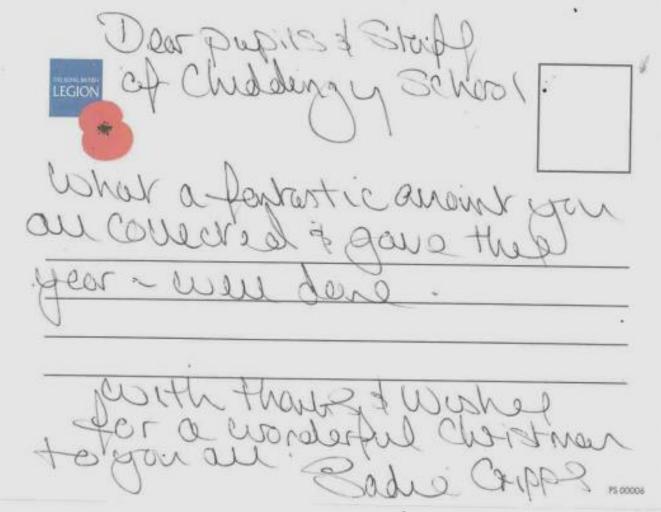
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Yours sincerely

Local Honorary Organiser

District Total (if available) £926.97

Registered Charity No. 219279









PARENTS AND CARERS

PARENT AND CARER COFFEE SESSIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING.

Mrs Leahy (inclusion manager and SENCO) and Me and My Mind would like to invite you to join us for a drink and biscuit. Parents and carers from all Pioneer schools are welcome to all sessions!





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11/10/22 - Park Mead - 2 to 3pm - Understanding anxiety

15/11/22 - Park Mead - 2 to 3pm - East Sussex School Health

17/11/22 - St Mary's - 9.05 to 10.05 - The Thrive Approach

1/12/22 - East Hoathly - 9.15 to 10.15 - The Thrive Approach

12/1/23 - St Marys - 9.05 to 10.05am - Open for Parents (Triple P)

24/1/23 - Park Mead - 2 to 3pm - Education Support, Behaviour and Attendance Service (ESBAS)

3/3/23 - Chiddingly - 2.15 to 3.15

21/3/23 – Park Mead – 9.15 to 10.15 – Education Support, Behaviour and Attendance Service (ESBAS)

25/4/23 - St Marys - 2 to 3pm - Open for Parents (Triple P)

16/5/23 - Park Mead - 9.15 to 10.15 - Adult Mental Health Week

15/6/23 - St Marys - 9.05 to 10.05am - Open for Parents (Triple P)

4/7/23 - Park Mead - 9.15 to 10.15 - Enjoying the summer holidays



THE TRAVELLING CRIB - Mary and Joseph are now travelling around Chiddingly and the surrounding area. A list of the homes they will be staying in is in the school office if you need to check any details or phone numbers. We hope you enjoy taking part during this special time and invite everyone (not just those that have taken part) to come along to the Live Crib service at Chiddingly Church on Christmas Eve at 3pm. We look forward to seeing the children in their tea-towels, crowns and wings. There will be light refreshments served afterwards.





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