

CHANTRY NEWSLETTER

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18th June 2021

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had a good half term and were able to make the most of the beautiful weather. We are making the most of outdoor learning and next week we will have two members of staff training to lead 'Beach School'. We are very excited about the additional opportunities this will provide for children to enhance their learning in the future.

As the weather is becoming increasingly warm, please make sure your child has a hat and named sun cream in school. Children have the opportunity to put on sun cream before they go outside at lunchtime, or play in the learning garden in Reception.



Staffing News

We welcome Mr. Searle to our Chantry team, Mr Searle will be teaching year 1 until Mrs. Milner returns from maternity leave next year. Mrs Milner remains in school this term working with a small group of children.

I am delighted to share with you that Mr. Smith one of our teaching assistants is beginning his teacher training this term and will be working as a student teacher in year 5. We wish him well in his training.

Transition

Over the next few weeks, we will begin the process of children transitioning to their new classes. We will let parents and children know of our staffing for September in a few weeks time. On Friday 16th July, all our children will spend the morning in class, with their new teacher and teaching assistant. End of year reports will also be sent home on this date. Teachers have already identified the children they feel may need some additional transition work and we will be working hard to support them.

Our new reception intake will be coming to visit Chantry in small groups on Thursday 15th July.

Summer events

Due to the continuing Covid restrictions in school, we are not able to hold all the events we would want to across the last few weeks of term. Unfortunately, we will not be able to hold sports days this year. Instead, each class will be taking part in their own mini-sports event, led by Mr. Adams. This will give children a chance to have fun and compete against each other across a range of sporting activities.

Although, year six aren't able to take part in a production this year, we are delighted that our PGL visit will be going ahead in July. We will also be holding a Leavers' lunch followed by a Leavers' service at the school at 1.30pm on Friday 23rd July - more details will follow soon.

I understand that it may be disappointing to not be able to come and watch your child at sports day etc. but we hope that the sacrifices we are all making, will enable more events to take place next academic year.

Becky Reed

SATS

Our year 6 children are currently completing their SATS week. Although this is not a national requirement this year, we feel it is important that our children have the experience of sitting tests and have the opportunity to show all they have learned before they move to their secondary schools. We will be sharing their results with year 6 parents at meetings later in the term.

Inset Days 2021/2022

We have planned our Inset days for the next academic year and want to share them with you as I know many families are trying to book holidays for next year. Our inset days will be as follows and children should not attend school on these dates:

Wednesday 1st September 2021

Monday 1st November 2021

Friday 27th May 2022



Monday 6th June 2022

Tuesday 7th June 2022

ICON Support

For anyone with a small baby, this is a useful website with lots of tips and support.

Babies Cry, You Can Cope!



Infant crying is normal and it will stop!
Babies start to cry more frequently from around 2 weeks of age.
After about 8 weeks of age babies start to cry less each week.

Comfort methods can sometimes soothe the baby and the crying will stop.
Is the baby:


- hungry
- tired
- in need of a nappy change?

It's **O**k to walk away if you have checked the baby is safe and the crying is getting to you.
After a few minutes when you are feeling calm, go back and check on the baby.

Never, ever shake or hurt a baby.
It can cause lasting brain damage or death.

Speak to someone if you need support such as your family, friends, Midwife, Health Visitor or GP.

If you are worried that your baby is unwell contact your GP or call NHS 111.



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