# **CHANTRY NEWSLETTER**



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27th May 2021

## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers.

It is with sadness that I write this last newsletter of term 5. It has been difficult for all of us to lose one of our school community so tragically this week and we were incredibly sad to hear of Bailey's death. Bailey was at Chantry for seven years and we have such great memories of his time here. I want to pay tribute to him in this newsletter, and to celebrate

the legacy he leaves. In school, we have spoken to the children reminding them that it's natural to feel sad at this time and that there are always adults available to talk to, should they need it. I hope we can all work

together over the next few months, as a school community, to support the Worsfold family.

Please have a safe and restful half term.



### **Bailey Worsfold**

We remember Bailey as having a cheeky, infectious smile and a great sense of humour which got him into sticky situations on more than one occasion. He had a good group of friends who he was very loyal to and he really enjoyed a kick around with them at playtimes. Bailey was always polite, well-mannered and enjoyed taking on additional responsibilities.

Bailey was passionate about sport whilst at Chantry and represented the school at a

range of sports including football, cricket and athletics. However, football was his great love during his time here and he was a very good goalie, often guiding the Chantry team to victory with some great saves. Bailey's competitive spirit and team work made him a real asset to the team. Mr. Smith remembers Bailey as being a fantastic all-rounder in P.E. who was successful in every sport he turned his hand to.

I have spoken to several members of staff who knew Bailey and they have all described him as calm and laid back (so laid back he was almost horizontal at times, one member of staff said!). This calm attitude to life served him well and he was always very popular both with his peers and in the school community.

In class, Bailey had a real strength in maths and Miss Francis tells me that he loved the challenges she used to set - especially if there was a sweet at the end as a reward for completing them! Bailey also enjoyed reading and loved nothing more than to sit with his nose in a book at the back of the class.

Younger children looked up to Bailey, partly because of his sporting skills but also because of the way he

modelled our Chantry values of Passionate, Resilient and Independent.

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We are so proud of all that Bailey achieved at Chantry and we will miss him.





## **Inset Days**

Please remember that tomorrow (Friday 28th May), Monday 7th June and Tuesday 8th June are inset days and the school will be closed. Children will return to school for the start of term 6 on **Wednesday 8th June**.

Our drop off/collection times are changing for some year groups from term 6 and a reminder of these is below:

Year Group	Drop off time	Collection time	Gate
R	8.40am	3.10pm	Main gate
1	8.40am	3.10pm	Bottom gate
2	8.45am	3.15pm	Bottom gate
3	8.40am	3.10pm	Bottom gate
4	8.40am	3.10pm	Front slope
5	8.45 am	3.15 pm	Front slope
6	8.45 am	3.15 pm	Front slope

#### **Base Afterschool and Breakfast Club**

Base after-school club has started again after lockdown. They care for children from Reception upwards and will collect from Chantry. If you would like to know more details telephone: 01424 215455

Don't forget we also offer our own Breakfast club from 8am, please call the school office if you would like further information.

#### **Bexhill Music Centre**

Sussex Music School are opening a music centre in Sidley, where children and adults will be able to go to engage in a range of musical activities on Thursdays evenings (4-7pm) from September. Until now, there has not been such a centre in Bexhill. They hope lots of local children will be involved, and that this will be a positive resource for young people in the area. The centre is a not-for-profit venture to serve the people of Bexhill and Sidley.

Sussex Music School would love to hear the views of people in the area and they are asking parents too complete a short survey: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/V65YHDF">https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/V65YHDF</a>

#### Community Youth Project

There is a project to develop a new skatepark and improved BMX facilities at Sidley Recreation Ground in Bexhill. The funding is in place and they are currently working on the designs.

Rother District Council are currently running a survey in support for the project and to identify any concerns that residents may have. They have asked if parents would share their views in a short survey:

www.rother.gov.uk/bexhillbikeandskatepark