

CHANTRY NEWSLETTER

Confident, Caring, Creative

10th February 2020

Headteacher's Message

I can't believe we are almost at the end of term 3. Despite the challenging weather, we have been incredibly busy over the last few weeks. There was some fantastic work produced in our Creative Friday last week which I hope you have seen on our Facebook page. This term, our year 4 children have been visiting St Richards to develop their basketball skills. It's great that we can work alongside other schools to benefit from their facilities and we are so proud to hear about year 4's exemplary behaviour on these visits.

Last week, a group of our year 3 children demonstrated how much progress they have made on the viola in just a few short months. It was great that so many parents/carers could join us for this. Finally, our cricket team has won their first tournament of the year! This was a great achievement as they were up against a large number of other schools. Big congratulations to all who took part and to Mr. Smith for coaching them. Please read more about our cricket champions on the back page.

Parent questionnaire

We love to hear your views and ideas. Our latest parent survey is on our new attendance policy. It only takes a couple of minutes and it would be great if as many parents as possible could complete the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NJNRNM3>

Phonics Workshops

We are running two phonics workshops for parents in year 1 and 2 over the next few weeks. Phonics is one of the building blocks for reading and it's really important that we work together with you to make sure all of our children are fluent, confident readers by the end of KS1. The workshops will help you to understand phonics and advise how you can practically support your child with their phonics and reading. Teachers will also be giving out resources and useful links. I hope that as many of you as possible are able to attend these important workshops.

Becky

Chantry Charity 2020

Our Mind fundraising is off to a fantastic start already. So many of you have talked to me over the last term about how you or your family has been affected by mental health issues and it's really positive that our fundraising is helping us talk about mental health, especially during this week -Children's Mental Health Week.



Our February fundraising events will be:

5p February ! Bring your 5p's into the school office and add to our 5p jar throughout February. Let's see how many we can collect.

Cake sale in the main playground on Monday 24th February at 3.15pm.

Parent Consultations

We will be holding our next parent consultations on:

Tuesday 25th February from 3.30-5.20pm

Thursday 27th February 3.30-6.50pm

This is such an important time to find out how your child is progressing, please make sure you attend. Appointments can be made via the website or the school app.

Cricket Success!

Chantry came into the competition with a mixture of excitement and nerves. Their first game would settle those nerves as they ran out 50 runs, winners thanks to some skilful batting and fine fielding work.

In their second game, Chantry looked once again to dominate with the bat and posted an imperious 269. In truth the opposition never got close as Chantry bowled good areas to restrict their opponents to 212. Another strong all round display followed in the third game which left us top of the table going into the final game against Ninfield.

Having been asked to bat first, Chantry knew they needed a strong score against the team many had backed as favourites. Some strong hitting and careful shot selection looked like it would send Chantry towards a very strong score; only for them to be pegged back by some good bowling and umpiring decisions. Consequently, Chantry posted a below par 227. Accurate bowling and clever fielding would be required in order to take this game to the wire. Chantry produced exactly that, taking the game to the very last ball, where a one handed diving catch would ensure the game ended in a tie and Chantry remained top of the table of runs scored.

Knowing that a win by 97 runs would see them knocked off the top spot, the team faced an agonising wait as their destiny was taken out of their hands. In truth 97 was always going to be a tough ask and Chantry finished unbeaten champions by 23 runs.

Mr Smith

