

Thursday 24th June 2016

Dear Parents & Carers

Monday 20th to Friday 24th June

Class	Title	Details
All	Football Chiltern families Magazine Music events Family Fun Day – Chesham Cricket club Important Changes to Assessment	Please read this letter – if you have any questions or concerns please address them with us
Sprites		
Phoenix		
Pegasus		
Griffin		

Please check the website if you have not received any of the above.

Highlights of the Week

- Mrs Burnett led an assembly with a 'pretend' letter from Thomas Bach, president of the Olympic committee, inviting a member of Chenies school to attend the Olympics, in order to inspire the children to write a creative story and further improve their writing skills
- Ignite provided the children with a taster session for Paralympic sports for Phoenix, Pegasus and Griffin
- Year 1 are completing their Maths Whizz assessments in school and will soon be able to access Maths Whizz at home to improve their maths skills
- The School nursing team visited Griffin Class for their puberty talk
- The School nursing team visited Sprite Class for a health check
- Mrs Burnett interviewed groups of children to explore their thoughts about assessment and marking, and behaviour in the school. The most important point to highlight is that children feel behaviour is improving throughout the school as a result of the new behaviour policy. Children also have a good understanding of what is expected of them and could articulate a wide range of strategies which are supporting their progress.
- Year 6 are continuing to meet their Year 7 tutors in preparation for joining their new schools in September





and Paralympic Values







Co-Head: Mrs H Burnett BA Q.T.S. (Hons) NPQH Co-Head: Mrs K Gobby BEd (Hons) MEd Chenies School Fund Registered Charity No: 1087531

Attendance Well done to Sprite for n but having 100% attenda exceeded our target this	Target = 96% 🕹		
Sprite: 100% 🌢 🗙	Phoenix: 99.1% 🕹	Pegasus: 99.6% 🌢	Griffin: 97.3% 🌢
Stars of the Week	Y1: Harry Hargan	Y3: Alex Szulc	Y5: Stuart Warner
Sprite: Arlo Wayth	Y2: Beatice Dawes	Y4: Wenessa Arari	Y6: Natasha Agostini

Maths Whizzer: Stuart Warner

Star Learners

Elena Adams – for wonderful independent writing George Clack - for demonstrating excellent understanding of calculating fractions Emily Coleman – for demonstrating excellent understanding of calculating fractions Jamie Fuchs – for developing excellent measuring skills Harry Jones – for demonstrating excellent understanding of calculating fractions Albie Rogers – for displaying excellent scientific knowledge Arlo Wayth – for developing advanced calculation skills



George Clack	Jessica Fletcher	Harry Hargan	Harley Harris
Harry Hutton	Akram Khafagi	Asw Khafagi	Shrenik Madavapeddi
Albie Rogers	Amber Schulein	Ella Thornberry	

Drop off in the morning

A reminder that children must not be left in the playground unattended before 8.45am. Children are welcome to come onto the playground before 8.45 but only if supervised by a parent. No member of staff will be on duty before 8.45am.

Snacks at break time

May we remind parents and carers that children's snacks for break time must be **healthy**. Sweets, chocolate or crisps are not permitted. They will be confiscated by staff and returned to the child at the end of the day.

Hedge cutting

Mr Nero has kindly offered to cut the hedge on along the footpath to the entrance of the school. If any other parents or carers would like to give him a hand he will be doing it on Saturday 2nd July at 9am.

VLE messages

We are aware that some children and parents are sending messages to staff on the VLE. Please be aware that this is not our means of communication. If you require a response from a member of staff please send the message via the office email address or to the class email address.

ΡΤΑ

This is a busy term for the PTA with a number of events happening. They need support from all families for these events to be successful. Without volunteers events will have to be cancelled – this includes the Summer Fun Day. This would be really disappointing as a great deal of hard work has



already been put into this event. The school relies heavily on the funds raised by the PTA to supplement our ever dwindling budget. This will affect the additional resources we use the funds for in the future. Please offer any time you may have to support their events.

If children would like to perform (sing, dance, demonstrate) or help with a stall at the Summer Fun Day on Saturday 16th July, please contact the PTA <u>PTA@chenies.bucks.sch.uk</u>.

A huge thank you to the parents and staff who support the voucher scheme. Out of 12 schools in voucher scheme we came 3rd in the amount we raise from it. Considering the size of our school compared to the others, it is amazing. Another huge thank you to the PTA, especially Emma Dalkin and Emiko Ray for their hard work in organising and promoting the scheme. The funds raised are used for the benefit of all the children.

Thank you from Mrs Snowsill

Dear Staff, Parents and Governors, A very big thank you for all the wonderful gifts, cards and such a lovely last day. I am deeply moved by the personal messages of thanks and best wished. I will miss Chenies School very much. The Buckinghamshire Learning Trust has made me very welcome and I am enjoying my new role.

I wish you all the very best for the future and look forward to visiting the school events when I am able to.

Thank you again. Lots of love and best wishes

Corlina Snowsill

Dates for next week:

Tuesday 28th June:Griffin at Year 6 games at DCHSFriday 1st July:Perform providing a free drama session for children in Phoenix and Sprite

Yours sincerely Hannah Burnett & Kay Gobby Co-Headteachers

Check out our website for additional photos of the things we have been up to.

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Governing Body Succession Planning

As part of our ongoing improvement activities the Governing Body have identified a need to do more about succession planning. One action that is likely to be of benefit is to find ways to engage parents and community members before vacancies arise. This can be as simple as familiarising people who are potentially interested in applying, and in other cases we have the ability appoint Associate Governors with specific remits and limited time commitment to give people some experience. If this is of interest to you please contact Peter Stansbury

EYFS

Last week our EYFS Governor, Libby Wilson, spent a lovely morning with Sprites. She watched a phonics lesson and was very pleased to see them sounding out the "ugh" sounds. She remarked at how interested and engaged the children were, and noted that this was a great credit to Mrs Sahotay.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter Stansbury, Chairman of the Governing Body:

Telephone Number: 07703658641 email:governors@chenies.bucks.sch.uk