### Chenies School Newsletter Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019

### **Headteacher's News**

### **Author Workshop**

This week got off to an inspiring start when we welcomed the author Lex Genn to school to talk about his book Space Bugs and Selfies. The book is all about the importance of being yourself and not trying to change who you are because of peer pressure. Lex shared with the children the process he uses to write and then encouraged them to develop their own pieces of writing.



### Packed Lunches

Please can I remind you that packed lunches need to be brought in to school in reusable containers and taken home at the end of the day. Once again there are too many children bringing their lunch in plastic bags, which only serves to encourage unwanted visitors.

### Jump Rope Day

Yesterday saw the children at Chenies participate in the Jump Rope for Heart event. What a day it was! Each class took part in their continuous skip at different points throughout the day, whilst being cheered on enthusiastically by another class. Each child should be extremely proud of their teamwork, perseverance, commitment and energy that they showed.

In each year group, we have children that have learned to skip over the past few weeks along with others that have developed and enhanced their skills.

Thank you to those that have already sent in sponsor money. All sponsor forms that came in yesterday were signed and should have come home last night, for money to be collected.

Please can we ask for all money to be sent into the office, in a named envelope with the sponsor form by Friday 28th June, at the very latest, so that we can announce how much we have raised.

### Dads in School Afternoon

It has been lovely to see so many Dads in school today. They have enjoyed sailing boats, building beach huts, making dens, creating symmetrical patterns and building structures with marshmallows and spaghetti.

### Greenhouse

We have taken delivery of our new greenhouse and are now looking forward to making good use of it. If anyone has green fingers and would like to be involved with supporting the children in their use of it, then please come and talk to me. This would not have been possible without the donation from the annual produce show and the significant contribution from the PTA for which we are extremely grateful.



Suzanne Powell

## **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Sprites	Eve Shepherd	Amelia Rozwadowski	Jamie Adams
Phoenix	Luca Walton- Dawes	Sienna Jemmett	Jackson Nicholls
Pegasus	Rhys Griffiths	Albie Rogers	Frederick Zahra
Griffin	Jonathan Parsey	Rain Knott	Jacob Boulter

## **PROUDLY PURPLE – TARGET 100%**

Sprites – 100%	Phoenix – 84%	
Pegasus – 80%	Griffin – %	

# Whole school attendance this week:

# **97%**

### **INDIVIDUAL CLASS NEWS**

### Sprites

### **Sprites Class News**

Thank you to all the parents who came to STAY AND GET PHYSICAL I hope you enjoyed the morning.

**Phonics**: We will be learning and consolidating sounds in Phase 2 and Phase 3. The children will be encouraged to use their knowledge and understanding of phonics to segment/blend to read and write across all areas of learning.

- ck h b l ll f ff
- j v w x y -z
- qu ch sh th ng
- ai ee igh oa oo
- ar or ur ow oi
- ear air -er

The Superhero and Princess tricky words are in the back of the reading records. Please continue to reinforce these.

**Literacy:** We will be continuing to learn about stringing a sentence together *e.g. the dog is white*. They count the number of words (four) and write one word at a time, saying each word out aloud to help them hear the sounds. We will also be talking about nouns – verbs – adjectives. The children are encouraged to use sound mats to identify sounds and write key words independently.

<u>Maths</u>: We will be continuing with different types of measure using a variety of equipment. The key word this week will be 'capacity'. We will also continue with our 'snack shop' where the children will pretend to pay for their milk, fruit and water.

**Topic:** Growing – We continue to talk about keeping healthy with the focus this being on how we grow. We will also be keeping a 'Bean Diary', looking after the plants in our outdoor area and making cress heads.

### Dates:

Sports Day – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 Stay for Breakfast Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

### **REMINDERS: Show & tell dates:**

GREEN HOUSE	RED HOUSE	BLUE HOUSE	YELLOW HOUSE
12 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	28 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	5 <sup>th</sup> July 2019
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Thank you for your ongoing support. Mrs Sahotay

### Phoenix

In Phoenix class next week we will carry on using our senses to create poetry and songs connected to the seaside. We will be learning about seaside holidays now and in the past.

In Maths we will be looking at adding coins to make different amounts and working on using our know facts to solve money problems.

### Pegasus

Next week in maths we will continue recapping the four operations by looking at methods of working out division. We will also carry on with practising methods of problem solving.

In English we will continue looking at non-fiction texts and learning about other countries, with the aim that the children will write their own non-chronological report.

Year 4 will be going to the stables on Tuesday and the Year 3 children will start their gardening and cooking lessons.

In topic we will continue looking at the history of fashion and clothing in Britain since 1066, learning how clothing has changed throughout the centuries, why and what they represented. We will also continue looking at habitats by looking at rainforests and their importance to life on the planet. In ICT the children will start a short animation project.

### Griffin

Another busy week is coming up in Griffin next week...

We have visitors coming in to talk about the citizenship topics of Personal Safety (year 6 only) and Cyber Safety & Well-being. These are being run by Wycombe Women's Aid and Barnardos. Participating in these will help Year 6 complete more of their Community Cards - which need to be completed and handed in on Monday 24th June.

Alongside these, we will also begin our Sex and Relationships Education work, with the whole class session on Changes and Puberty.

In Maths, we will be completing some problem solving and investigation work, so that we continue to use the skills we have learned this year and apply our knowledge to real-life situations. Remember - keep revising times tables!

Our work towards the production will begin to step up next week too, with daily sessions being spent on developing acting and singing skills. Please make sure scripts are in school daily and are being learned.

As part of our topic 'Scream Machine', the children will have an ongoing project that they will be working on in class. The first part of this involves work around rivers both in the UK and around the world.

### Important Dates (Dates added or changed this week are in blue)

Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 children start their weekly visits to Woodville Riding Stables
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Transition (Moving-up) day
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Griffin Games at Dr Challoner's High School
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair 2pm-5pm
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	1.30pm Sports Day
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	School reports will be sent home to parents
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	1.30pm Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Production :
	2pm –pre-school children welcome
	7pm – No pre –school children allowed
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Stay and Have Breakfast for Reception Parents
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Term Ends at 1.30pm