



## CHENIES SCHOOL

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Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016

Dear Parents & Carers

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016

Class	Title	Details
<b>All</b>	Acceptable Use Policy – Parent Agreement Form Detonate flyer Raring to go magazine Club Interest Spring 2017	Please return by the end of term
<b>Sprites</b>		
<b>Phoenix</b>		
<b>Pegasus</b>		
<b>Griffin</b>		

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

### Highlights of the Week

- We had our final Governing body meeting for the term. We reported to the governors the transition arrangements for Jonathan Hook's start in January have been regarded as exemplary by BLT.
- All the classes enjoyed a fantastic learning experience at the Hindu Temple on Thursday. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Sahotay for her hard work and organisation of this visit.
- We hope you all tuned in to listen to our broadcast on Radio Christmas today! The children loved listening to the show at school.

<b>Attendance</b> Well done to Griffin for achieving the best attendance last week and being the only class to meet our target			<b>Target = 96%</b> 👍
Sprite: 95.7% 📉	Phoenix: 95.9% 📉	Pegasus: 94.4% 📉	Griffin: 97.9% 👍

<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Y1: Roseanne Wakeman	Y3: George Clack	Y5: Megan Moulster
YR: Sprite Class	Y2: Harry Hutton	Y4: Adam Coleman	Y6: Harry Chatto



**Maths Whizzer:** Bella Walker

Congratulations to Year 2 who as a class have made the most improvement.



### **Clubs for the Spring term**

We have been aware participants for our after school clubs have been reducing each term and we have reached a point that for some clubs it is not financially viable for them to continue – the morning club being the most relevant. We have sent out an indication form for clubs your child may join next term. This information will be used by providers to decide whether they are in a position to run their clubs next term. We have only had 6 responses to date – this information indicates **no** after school clubs or our morning club will be able to run next term. If you are hoping for your child to join a club please complete the form and return it by Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – the information on this date will determine which clubs we can offer next term.

### **Poppy Appeal**

Thank you to everyone who purchased their poppies at school. The Royal British Legion confirmed we raised £50.85 for their Poppy Appeal. Thank you also to the Year 6 poppy sellers, Annabel Leinster, Lily Jones and Robyn Spencer for all their hard work.

### **Thank you for our tree**

A massive thank you to Van Hague Garden Centre for our beautiful Christmas tree. A huge thank you to Mr Simpson for collecting it. And a big thank you to Evie-May Barker, Robyn Spencer and Ella Thornberry for decorating it. It looks marvellous in our school hall.



### **Christmas Fair**

Thank you to all our families who supported the Christmas fair on Sunday. An enormous thank you to the PTA for their hard work – many have commented it has been the best fair yet!

The PTA would like to thank all parents and staff who gave their time and donations to The Christmas Fair. Feedback from the event has been very positive. The PTA felt that parents' involvement and support made it a great success and the best fair to date in many ways. The Fair raised approx. £1600 and we still have the raffle to add to this total. No surprise the popular chocolate and sweet tombola raised the most money! Don't forget to return your raffle tickets, we have some fabulous prizes. The draw will be during the final assembly of the year, drawn by Father Christmas on Tuesday Dec 20th. There are prizes for those that have sold the most tickets.



We would like to say a huge thank you to the following children for their hardwork and help on the day:

Anna Scarpellini  
Kirsty Simpson  
Harry Hutton  
Charlotte Flood

Ella Thornberry  
Carrie Simpson  
Chloe Hutton  
Edward Flood

Robyn Spencer  
Annabelle Leinster  
Oliver Hutton

Evie May Barker  
Thomas Leinster  
Anna Powell

Many thanks to all of Singing Squad a year 6 elves!

Winners:

Guess the number of sweets in Jar: Callum Warner

Stamp trail raffle: Scarlett Prunty

### **Christmas Post Box**

Our school Christmas post box is in the hall. Children are invited to post their Christmas cards to one another. Post will be collected and delivered on Tuesday and Thursday lunch time.

### **Christmas Lunch**

Our Special Christmas Lunch is on 14<sup>th</sup> December and our order has been placed. Packed lunches must be brought on this day if your child has not ordered the Christmas meal.

### **Dates for next week:**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** Guitar assembly School Hall 9.15am – **parents & carers welcome**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December:** Year 1-6 HLP Celebration

### **Christmas Dates:**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 & EYFS Christmas production dress rehearsal School Hall 1.45pm – **parents/carers/relatives with small children welcome**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 & EYFS Christmas Production School Hall 9.30am – **parents & carers welcome**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Lunch – pre-ordered. Children may wear a Christmas top with their school uniform

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** KS2 Christmas Service dress rehearsal St Michael's Church 2pm – **parents/carers/relatives with small children welcome**

KS2 Christmas Service dress St Michael's Church 7pm – **parents & carers welcome**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Craft Day

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Parties – **no hot lunch provision (bring and share party food)**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** Celebration Assembly (Mrs Bull's Leaving assembly & PTA raffle) School Hall 9am – **parents & carers welcome**  
School closes at 1.30

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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A number of parents have asked what is it that governors do. The role of a governor is very definitely strategic and not operational. The role of the head and the teachers is operational. The governors ensure that strategy is set, but the head teacher is responsible for its implementation.

Governors:

- Set the school's vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Hold the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- Oversee the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

The role of governor is largely a thinking and questioning role, not a doing role.

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

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