

**Friday, 18 May 2018**

# Chenies School Friday Letter

## This Week:

Dear Parents and Carers

As you can see from the photos, our children have been getting up to all kinds of things this week. I have to start with our fabulous Year 6 students who have completed their six KS2 SATs papers this week. Their attitude towards these tests was excellent: calm, positive, hardworking and thorough; they have been a real credit to their teachers and indeed the whole school.

Meanwhile, Pegasus were running wild in the woods and meadows of Shortenills and having a wonderful time. Learning survival skills, helping each other at meal times, and generally being left to solve things and get on, without being told how by an adult (this did lead to some very unusual duvet arrangements). Huge thanks to Mr F, Mrs Tillyer, Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Board for supporting the children over the three days.

Phoenix have been working very hard on their plant topic this week, their classroom is looking like a garden centre! As part of this they had a great trip on Thursday to Van Hage where their learning continued. I have had great feedback about the behaviour of the children on the trip, again showing Chenies in a great light, well done Phoenix. A big thank you to the Phoenix class team and the parent helpers for making it happen.

With Year 6 out of action for most mornings this week, Year 5 have been doing outdoor learning of their own, assisting Sprites on their woodland learning walk. Sprites children loved having shelters made that they could actually fit in and Mrs Sahotay was very impressed by the caring and supportive way the Griffin children worked with Sprites.

On a less joyous note I am sad to inform you of some upcoming staff changes.

Mrs Mulkern will be leaving at the end of this Summer, although only here for a short while, she has slotted in very quickly in Sprites and will be missed. We wish her well in her new career.

Mrs Lawson will also be leaving at the end of this term. She has been our kitchen supervisor since 2014 and I know that she will really miss the children as she has developed great relationships with them over the years. Mrs Lawson has found a full time job and we are very happy for her and wish her all the best.

And lastly, Mrs Wright, our rather priceless Office Manager, will be leaving at the end of term. She is moving to Suffolk and we wish her great happiness and success as she settles into a new community and a new life.

We will be advertising these roles next week, if you know of any candidates who would be great at Chenies, please point them in this direction.

Next week we have a Mufti day on Thursday, 24th. Please bring a donation bottle for the PTA summer fair and carnival fundraising events. Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated. Friday, 25th is an inset day.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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### Well done to all our star achievers for this week:

	English	Maths	Star of the Week
<b>Sprites</b>	Isla Campbell	Daniel Vanstone	Marcel Bothamy
<b>Phoenix</b>	Hattie Brown	Jessica Teruggi	Tiana Cozens
<b>Pegasus</b>	-	-	Ella Thornberry Shrenik Madavapeddi Pegasus Class
<b>Griffin</b>	Year 6	Year 6	Year 5

### Proudly Purple - Target 100%

<b>Sprites - 87%</b>	<b>Phoenix - 97%</b>
<b>Pegasus - 93%</b>	<b>Griffin - 81%</b>

Very good weeks for Phoenix and Pegasus. Thank you and well done.

Griffin—PE kits!

### Whole school attendance this week:

**95%**





Pegasus at Shortenhills



Y6 end of SATS week



Y5 and Sprites woodland walk



Phoenix at Van Hage garden centre



## Parents @ Chenies School (PTA):

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Quiz Night last Saturday. We had a fantastic evening and raised over £500 for the school.

We desperately need to get some more volunteers for the carnival to help with float decorating during PGL week. The idea for the float is a hippy style 60's VW camper van surrounded by flowers and peace signs etc. Any volunteers to help with this are very much appreciated as we are very short of helpers and we really want to give it the wow factor. We also still need 4 marshals on the day to help and also to attend a meeting on 7th June in the evening.

We will be sending some template designs home in book bags for your children or yourselves to colour in or design your own on a blank page and return so that we can use for the float decoration. Feel free to ask for more if you would like more. This will potentially be a really fun day and also should make quite a bit of money for the school PTA to be able to purchase some of the items on the parent and teacher wish lists. Please do all you can to help wherever possible. We very much appreciate it.

Ice creams will be on sale again this Friday weather permitting so remember to bring money to pick up if you would like to purchase one.

Mel and Katy

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[PTA Events](#)



## Diary Dates

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
21	22 Pegasus Swimming Gala (pm) Griffin PGL & Sex Ed	23 Phoenix Tring Museum visit	24 MUFTI DAY (bottle donation for PTA)	25 INSET DAY	26	27
28 HALF TERM	29 HALF TERM	30 HALF TERM	31 HALF TERM	1 HALF TERM	2 HALF TERM	3 HALF TERM
4 Griffin PGL Trip	5 Griffin PGL Trip PTA Meeting 7.30pm	6 Griffin PGL Trip	7 Griffin PGL Trip	8 Griffin PGL Trip	9 CHESHAM CARNIVAL	10
11	12	13	14 Pegasus British Museum Visit TBC	15	16	17
18 Class photos (am)	19 Drama 4 All workshops (all day)	20 Class visits to Chenies Baptist Church	21 MUFTI DAY (bottle donation for PTA)	22 Whole school visit to Kings Church Amersham TBC	23	24 PTA SUMMER FAIR

Head Teacher: Mr Jonathan Hook

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