### Friday, 1 December 2017

# **Chenies School Friday Letter**

#### This Week:

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Well I think it is officially the Christmas season: I saw some snow this morning (about seven flakes near Great Missenden); delightful carols are wafting through the school as children rehearse for Christmas productions; we are in December and Christmas jumpers have delivered a lot of Christmas cheer to the school today.

<u>Library and Book Update</u> Book sales from last week totalled £1111.66, which means that we shall get the same value in books from the book company (just over 200 books!). Again thank you all for shopping with us and thank you to Mrs Sahotay and the school council team for working so hard running the book shop. Our first order of reading scheme books has been purchased which will be used by students after Christmas. These books and the new library have been generously funded by our wonderful PTA - a big thank you to all the parents who have helped raise these funds over the past year.

The Library is in a transitional state as we reorganise books, old and new, into the new space. This is a time consuming process (scanning all books, organising sections...) and I am grateful to the staff for their efforts so far. With deliveries of new books in January we are hoping to have it all up and running later on in that month. Keeping with the Christmas theme and our supportive community thank you for all the donations so far for the Christmas Fair which is bring Christmas Joy to the school next weekend; looking forward to seeing you all there with family and friends.

<u>PE</u> Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school and that is appropriate for our weather conditions as we still do PE outside every week.

<u>French</u> I am not sure if you are aware but our children are very fortunate to receive weekly French lessons from a senior school French teacher, Mrs Koumi, they also have access to an excellent online learning resource called Languagenut. All children from Yr3—Yr6 have their own login and password so feel free to explore this with them as it covers a wide range of languages which is fun.

<u>Morning Club</u> I am pleased to confirm that our Tuesday Morning club continues in New Year and there are club activities on 21st December at Chenies, might provide useful cover for a last minute shopping day!

Pegasus have had a scrumptious foodie week with a food experience from Tesco including a fish tasting—the surprising winner, with over 50% of the votes was mackerel—something to add to your weekly shop! Also they have been baking and I can say with personal experience that their banana loaf is delicious.

Have a wonderful weekend, best wishes.

Jonathan Hook Head Teacher



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#### Parents @ Chenies School (PTA):

The countdown to the Christmas fayre is underway.

Thanks for all the donations that have been coming In for the hampers and stalls, please keep them coming if you haven't done so already. We would like to take this opportunity to thank ALL parents and teachers for all your support on the PTA events, everything you do from buying a raffle ticket to donating your time makes a huge difference and helps to raise funds for our children.

On this note.....

We would really like some helpers on Saturday the 9th November to get everything all set up for the fayre. We will be there all day, so whatever time you can spare would be hugely appreciated.

Raffle tickets are still coming in and if you haven't yet purchased yours, we have some fantastic prizes to be won so be sure to purchase some to be in with a chance of winning!

The PTA newsletter will be coming to you soon so look out for that!

Katy and Mel



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

	English	Maths	Star of the Week	
Sprites	Ewan Densley	Evie Silverstone	Isobel Gallagher	
Phoenix	Tiana Cozens	Anna Powell	Amelie Upton	
Pegasus	Jacob Boulter	Amber Schulein	Pruthvi Muralidhar	
Griffin	Anastasia Machula	Oliver Alexander	Kaita Abiodun	

# **Proudly Purple - Target 100%**

Sprites - 100%	Phoenix - 82%		
Pegasus - 96%	Griffin - 97%		

Great weeks for Griffin, Pegasus and Sprites, well done. Hopefully Phoenix back above 90% next week.

Whole school attendance this week:

96.4%



\*\*AMERSHAM AND CHALFONTS CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP\*\*
Thursday 21st Dec: 0900-1500 @ Chenies School
Children Yr1 to Yr6

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# **Diary Dates - December & January**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
4 NHS Flu Jabs Sprites, Phoenix & Pegasus (am)	5 Phoenix Florence Nightingale drama workshop	6	7 Sprites Stay & Play (9.15)	8	9	10 Christmas Fair (1pm to 4pm)
11 Baptist Church Assembly (am)	12 KS1 Christmas Play rehearsal (1.30pm)	13 Christmas Lunch— Christmas jumpers	14  KS1 Christmas Play (9.30am)  KS2 Church Service rehearsal (1.30pm)  KS2 Church Service (7pm)	15 Christmas Craft Day	16	17
18 Christingle (am) NO HOT MEALS Parties & lunch	NO HOT MEALS School closes @ 1.30pm	20	21 Active Creative Drama Club			
1	2	3 INSET DAY	4 SCHOOL OPEN	5 SCHOOL OPEN		

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