# Chenies School Newsletter Friday 21st October 2022

#### Headteacher's News

As you will have seen so far all has gone to plan with the roof - the scaffolding went up last weekend and the temporary toilets have been delivered to the playground. The work is still due to commence on Monday but given the weather forecast for next week that may be wishful thinking! It was a pleasure to welcome Butler's Court School to play football in the U11 cup on Monday and I was very grateful to Mr Dalkin, who refereed for us. We were all very proud of the team (including Evie and Pip who are not captured in the photo below) and grateful to our supporters! Thank you to Rishabh for writing the account below.

On Monday, the Chenies school football team had a match against Butler's court. They had a disadvantage because we were playing on the field which was our home pitch. The field was very muddy, therefore I slipped a lot. It all started smoothly until they scored it wasn't bad because it was only 1-0 but then they scored again and again until the first half was over. There was number 7 who was really tall and had an advantage because we couldn't mark him. Our goalkeeper wanted to come out of goal so we had a substitute (Sienna) that went in goal and made some really good saves. Then I think someone part of the midfield passed to me quickly. I decided to kick the ball towards the goal and it hit the crossbar but still managed to go in Oh! I scored. The thought of the goal really boosted the team up. We all celebrated but then Butler's court kept scoring more and more goals near to the end we were losing 17-1 but unfortunately they scored again to make it 18-1 even though we lost we did really well and worked as a team and enjoyed the game. After that me and my friend kept saying we are going to win the next game repeatedly out loud. Also halfway through the game our P.E teacher, Mr Jones, came to watch us play and he gave us some helpful advice.





### **Doodle Challenge**

Congratulations to Hockney class who won the Doodle Maths Challenge with 72% of children in the green zone. They will be receiving £50 of games for their class.

Please encourage your child to engage with their Doodle Learning during half term. Evidence from the children's recent assessments shows that the children who regularly use doodle learning (just 5 minutes a day – rather than extended time occasionally) have made the greatest progress with their learning.

#### **October Half Term**

Discover Bucks Museum in Aylesbury are having a fun-filled week of arts and crafts planned for families, including Rangoli sun catchers and affirmation posters for Diwali, mask workshops with a twist, meet a Paralympian and handle her medals, fierce clay monster workshops topped off with a special family Halloween Day on Saturday 29 October and lots more! Details can be found on the link below.

https://www.discoverbucksmuseum.org/whats-on/october-half-term/

Mighty Netball are running an October Half-Term Netball Activity Camps in Amersham and Berkhamsted for years 2-6. More details can be found on the attached flyer.

#### Artist of the Week

Our artist of the week was Leonardo Da Vinci, chosen by Tanish. The sketchbook theme was to design a scary mask or invent a new fruit or vegetable.

I wish you all an enjoyable half term and a Happy Diwali to those of you who will be celebrating it next week. I look forward to seeing all of the children back in school on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Suzanne Powell



Sienna J – 24<sup>th</sup> October

Oliver B – 1<sup>st</sup> November

Renee – 1<sup>st</sup> November

Beatrix – 3<sup>rd</sup> November



# **STARS of the week**

Van Gogh	Casian	Arthur
Monet	Alexander	Lola
Hockney	Omansa	Harry
Hepworth	Jackson	Anika

# Weekly Attendance

We place great emphasis on excellent attendance and punctuality of our students. Please continue to ensure that your children attend school every day and on time.

Van Gogh	96%
Monet	85%
Hockney	88%
Hepworth	93%

# **Class News**

# Van Gogh

We finally got there and everyone is definitely ready for a break! It has been a great start to the year, the children have settled in well and are confidently following rules and routines. They have started their learning journey and will slowly build on this as we move through the year.

### **Phonics**

Please continue to reinforce listening to sounds in the environment, rhyme, alliteration (initial sounds), segmenting and blending and sharing books.

To date the children have learnt the following sounds  $\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{i} - \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{m} - \mathbf{d} - \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{o} - \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{k}$ . When we return after half term we will continue to focus on the children recognising/ listening to these sounds within words and trying to segment and blend to read/write them. Please continue to practice oral segmenting and blending with your child, to support their learning and applying of these sounds e.g. please pass be the b-a-g... can you put on your c-oa-t... it is time to go to b-e-d. Then ask them to tell you what sound they hear in words e.g. jam j-a-m, dog d-o-g etc.

Words you can help your child practice at home.

Please remember the children need to segment the words and then blend them to read/write. The words in red are our tricky words which cannot always be segmenting and blended and need to be learnt by sight.

sit	and	sad	pin	dad	mat
pat	pan	it	as	on	gap
at	l l	dig	mad	tip	in
dog	lip	can	an	is	top
sat	got	not			

#### Library Books

Please note library books are changed every Tuesday, if you wish to keep the book a little bit longer you may do.

#### <u>Maths</u>

The first week back we will revisit previous learning and introduce number three.

#### <u>Topic</u>

This week the children have enjoyed being 'artists' and have created their own artwork based on the works of Giuseppe Arcimboldo. We will continue to talk about autumn and the changes in our environment. Please talk to your children about the changes and give them the opportunity to go for walks and experience what is happening around them.

With fireworks around the corner we will also be introducing Guy Fawkes and talking about firework safety.

#### **General**

Please support your child to practice getting undressed and dressed independently, including doing up zips and buttons.

#### Reminders:

- Stay and Read Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November @ 9.15am
- We are back on the Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November Please remember to send in the children's PE kits.

Have a great half term and thank you for all your support this term!

Mrs Sahotay 🛈

### Monet

We've had a brilliant first half term in Monet Class with all the children settling in well and showing real enthusiasm for their learning especially in their story writing this week which was fantastic to see.

In English next half term we will be writing recounts, writing instructions on how to stay safe near fireworks and linking our writing to History where we will be finding out about Guy Fawkes.

In maths we will be revising and consolidating number bonds. Please practise bonds to 10 (Year 1) and bonds to 20 (Year 2) at home if you are unsure. Year 1 will also be recognising + and - and using these to solve and write their own addition and subtractions. Year 2 will be solving additions up to 100 by adding the tens followed by the ones.

In science we will be thinking about how weather changes throughout the year and focusing on our class 'Seasonal Change' book to help us. We will also be describing day length in Autumn.

In PSHE we will be thinking about how to identify if someone might be being bullied and focus on how they might behave and feel. We will also be beginning our Christmas Production rehearsals so lines to practise will be sent home at the beginning of the week.

Have a lovely half term,

**Miss Blakeley** 

# Hockney

Before we tell you what we are getting up to after half term we just wanted to mention how fantastic the children have been during assessment week. They have worked so hard and we are very pleased with them.

We have a slightly shorter week when we return after half term, as Monday will be an INSET day. Our focus in Maths for year 3, when we return will be continuing to look at adding and subtracting 2 and 3-digit numbers crossing boundaries using mental strategies and continuing to look at column addition and subtraction using a number of exchanges. Year 4 children will be learning about area of 2D shapes and how to measure it.

In English, we will be continuing to look at journalistic features of non-fiction writing. We will be writing a newspaper report on one of the shocking styles in the eBook we have been reading. We will be focusing on paragraphs and powerful 'newspaper' language.

In Science, we will move on from our study of rocks to forces and magnets. In our history lessons, we will be finishing our work on Stone Age. In our first week, we will be focusing on the Stonehenge and the Neolithic period.

We shall not be setting any homework over half term. Instead, we would like you to read with your child and allow them to go on Doodle learning so that they do not lose their streak.

We hope you can all enjoy a well-deserved break and come back ready and refreshed for the new term.

Miss Moghaddam and Mrs Whittingham

# Hepworth

After the holiday, children will start a new English topic, The Big Debate. This will introduce children to the rules and skills involved in debating, with the emphasis on research, structure as well as oracy. In SPAG we will be looking at prefixes and punctuation. Our weekly spellings will be adverbs.

In Maths, Hepworth will continue their focus on addition and subtraction, using formal written methods, as well as look at Squared and Cubed numbers in more detail towards the end of the week.

In Science, we will start studying light, in particular how light travels and how we see. Whilst our topic work continues with a focus on ancient Greek food and farming.

In PE, the children will continue with dance, but this term we will link it to our Topic of Ancient Greece. Whilst our music lessons focus for a few weeks we will be listening to, and appraising, Jazz music, before we begin practicing some of our Christmas Carols. In RE we will explore further the reasons why Hindus go on pilgrimage. Our next PSHE lesson will continue to focus on healthy and unhealthy relationships.

On Monday afternoons, it will be Year 5's turn to attend Forest School (please wear appropriate clothing). Year 6 will be learning about Spreadsheets in Computing and revising weather and seasons in Spanish.

We wish you all a restful and happy holiday.

Mrs Wilson and Mrs Jones

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	HALF TERM		
October			
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	INSET DAY		
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations for children in school		
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	PTA AGM		
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	EYFS Stay and read		
	PTA Tuck Shop		
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Rovings Bookshop		
,	Van Gogh Sports Event at DCHS - Winter Olympics 9.30-		
	11.30am		
	Workshare Evening 3.30pm – 5pm		
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly 10.45am		
	PTA Doughnuts		
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week		
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti Bullying Drama Workshops		
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Day		
	PTA Pyjama Night Film Club		
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Hockney Bench Ball - The Amersham School 1.30pm -		
	3pm		
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Hepworth trip to Ashmolean Museum, Oxford		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA World Cup themed cake sale		
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	PTA Wreath Making Workshop		
	Hepworth -The Amersham School Dodgeball 1.30 – 3pm		
Friday 2nd December	PTA Non uniform day		
	PTA Christmas fayre		
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm		
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am		
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm		
	KS2 Carol Concert 6pm		
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Craft Day		
	PTA Christmas Film Day		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas Parties		
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Term Ends 1.30pm		

## **DIARY DATES**

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET DAY			
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Children Return to School			
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Van Gogh Sports Event Movement to Music at The			
	Amersham School 9.45 - 11.45am			
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Monet 9.30-11.30am DCHS Multiskills			
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Hepworth 1.30-3pm The Amersham School Handball			
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Hockney 9.30-11.30am DCHS Mega Fest Rugby			
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS Stay & Play 1.45pm			
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Workshare Evening			
Monday 13th February - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	HALF TERM			
February				
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day			
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	9.15am EYFS Spring Walk			
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Hockney – Bikeability Level 1			
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Mid-Year reports will be sent home to parents			
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Hepworth Parents Sex Education and PGL Information			
	Evening 5pm			
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Term Ends 1.30pm			
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to School			
Thursday 4th May	Monet Games at Dr Challoner's High School			
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Hockney Tri Golf – Chiltern Hills Academy (tbc)			
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Week			
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Workshare Evening			
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May - Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	PGL Residential			
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	EYFS Stay and get Physical			
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Hockney 12-2pm Athletics Chalfont Community College			
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Parent's Evening 5pm - 8pm			
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Parent's Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm			
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports day 1.30pm - 3.15pm			
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day			
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day			
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm			
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm			
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Attainment Reports will be sent home			
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS Stay for breakfast			
	Leavers Barbecue 5.30pm - 8pm			
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	11am Leaver's Assembly			
	12pm Whole School Picnic			
	1.30pm Term Ends			