

# Chenies School Newsletter

## 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

### Headteacher's News

#### Parents' Evening

Parents' evening appointments for the week beginning Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May will be available to book on the school website from 5pm today. Please book a slot and your child's teacher will telephone you from either the school number or a withheld number at the allotted time. Teachers will have 10 minutes for the appointment so we will need to try and keep to time. If it becomes apparent that a longer discussion is needed then a further appointment can be agreed with the class teacher.

#### Future Dates

We are in the process of organising activities for next half term such as sports day and an end of term concert. I am expecting further guidance from County next week about what will be permissible for us to implement so hope to be able to share further dates with you very soon.

#### Arthur had a Little Lamb

The highlight of this week has been that it was Arthur's turn for 'show and tell' today and the children and staff were delighted that he brought a lamb into school for us all to see. I am sure the pictures will make you smile too!



#### School Lunches

Please can I remind all parents that if you want your child to have a school dinner you must book them on parent pay, even if your child is in Reception or KS1, by Monday for the following week. As meals arrive in individual trays it is important we have accurate numbers.

I wish you all a happy bank holiday weekend and look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday.

Suzanne Powell

## STARS OF THE WEEK

<b>Van Gogh</b>	<b>Freya</b>	<b>Nisreen</b>
<b>Monet</b>	<b>Rohan</b>	<b>Eve</b>
<b>Hockney</b>	<b>Frankie</b>	<b>Kripa</b>
<b>Hepworth</b>	<b>James</b>	<b>Aris</b>

# Class News

## Van Gogh

**Phonics:** The children are working very hard on their phonics as we continue to re-visit and consolidate the Phase 3 and Phase 5 sounds and focus on applying these sounds to reading and writing. Please continue to work with your child on the sounds and tricky words.

**Reading:** The children will be coming home with their reading books on Monday and should be returned on Friday. It is really important that you continue to read and share books everyday with the children.

**Math:** Over the next few weeks will continue to look at place value and understanding the value of TENS in a two-digit number. We will be continuing to consolidate this next week and encouraging the children to be counting in TENS. We have also started to look at 3D shapes and have so learnt about a sphere, cube and cuboid.

**Topic:** This week we planted our broad beans and have been learning about what plants need to grow. We will be monitoring the growth over the next few weeks and keeping a diary.

**Role Play:** is currently a Doctors Surgery and the children have been enjoying playing the roles of nurses, doctors, patients, and admin. They have treated sick babies with high temperatures, broken arms and have even had to do home visits. We will keep you updated on how our patients and recovering!

### **SHOW & TELL DATES:**

Green House	7 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Blue House	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Red House	21 <sup>st</sup> May2021
Yellow House	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021

**Reminder:** Sun Hats and Sun Cream

I know with the current situation things are different, but please if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

## **Monet**

We've had a busy week planning, writing and editing our own Peter Rabbit Tales and planting our bean seeds.

Next week we will be carefully observing our seeds and noting any signs of growth. In English we will be continuing to edit our stories and recap capital letters for the beginning of a sentence and names of people, places, days of the week and months of the year. We will also be focusing on 'bossy' verbs and writing a set of instructions.

In Maths we will be continuing with counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and saying the times tables for these. We will also be beginning to count in 3s Please help your child to practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s if they are not yet confident in doing so. We will be working on subtraction and solving problems related to subtraction by counting back or finding the difference.

In Topic we will be comparing Beatrix Potter's childhood with our childhood today and thinking about how things have changed, looking at a new method of printing in Art and learning about how The Creation Story is important for Christians.

For home learning this week please login to Active learn to access a Maths game related to our Maths this week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

## **Hockney**

PE next week will be on Wednesday and Thursday, please ensure the children come to school wearing their PE kits.

In English we will continue with our work on Christophe's story. They will be working towards writing a story based on their own experiences, using the book as inspiration.

In Maths we continue with looking at measurements, and they will be learning to measure the perimeter and area of shapes.

In topic we will continue looking at the Romans. They will be looking at how the Roman Empire expanded, setting up the foundation for understanding the invasion of Britain.

In Computing, they are learning how to effectively format a document. They will be learning on how to create an effective layout for a poster.

Homework has been set for Maths and English, which can be accessed using their Google Classroom login.

As part of the topic of looking at the Ancient Romans, the children have recapped their knowledge on forces and have started a small project on making mini-catapults. I hope to dive further into this with the children, with the aim of working as a class on building a bigger "person" sized catapult that could launch water balloons. If anyone can help by providing some materials, I would be very appreciative. Things such as scrap gutter piping for the framework, and something like the inner rubber tube of a bicycle wheel. Many thanks in advance.

## Hepworth

Well done to the children in Hepworth for another good week of learning! We have enjoyed teaching you this week.

Next week in English, we will be focussing mainly on our comprehension skills using the text 'Fantastic, Funny, Frightening'. We will discuss the author's use of language, structure and presentation, appreciate the impact of language on the reader, explore characters' thoughts, feelings and motives. Our grammar focus is exploring cohesion between paragraphs and the spellings we will be focussing on in our Friday lesson will be words beginning with '-im'

In our Maths lessons we start the week by completing our work on Area, perimeter and volume. The focus for Year 6 will be to calculate the area of parallelograms, Year 5 will be developing their understanding of volume, with both year groups applying their understanding to problem solving situations. Towards the end of the week we will be continuing to consolidate the skills of drawing accurate 2D shapes, with a focus on drawing quadrilaterals with protractors and rulers.

In Science, we will be focussing our learning on the development stages of babies and children. If you are able to send in copies/scans/photos of your child's growth chart from their red book it would be interesting for them to have some 'real' data to look at! These could be uploaded via google classroom or emailed in.

For our coasts topic, we will be researching different coast types and locating where in the UK and other places of the world these feature.

In PE, Mr Malik will continue to develop tennis skills and on Friday, we will continue with our Outdoor Adventurous Activities, doing some work on navigation skills.

Our RE work includes looking further at the festival of Eid Al Fitr and finding out more about how and why this is celebrated.

PSHE next week follows on from our work on discrimination this week and focusses on stereotypes: recognising these, understanding the impact they have and how to challenge them.

We hope you have an enjoyable bank holiday weekend and we look forward to welcoming your children back on Tuesday.

## TERM DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021 / 2022

### **Spring Term 2021**

Inset Day	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Term Starts	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> February
Term Ends	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April @ 1.30pm

### **Summer Term 2021**

Inset Day	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April
Term Starts	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April
Half Term	31 <sup>st</sup> May – 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Term Ends	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July @ 1.30pm

### **Autumn Term 2021**

Inset Day	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September
Inset Day	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Term Starts	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
Half Term	25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> October
Inset Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Term Ends	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December @1.30pm

### **Spring Term 2022**

Inset Day	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Term Ends	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April @ 1.30pm

### **Summer Term 2022**

Term Starts	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Half Terms	30 <sup>th</sup> May – 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Inset Day	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June
Term Ends	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July @ 1.30pm