

Chenies School Newsletter

16th September 2022

Headteacher's News

It has been a busy week in school with our usual class timetables now well underway and the children have enjoyed starting their new topics. Forest school, French Horn and individual music lessons have all begun with enthusiasm. Our new children in Van-Gogh have settled really well, are now at school full time and had their first walk to the woods today. The rest of the school have really demonstrated their caring nature in supporting and playing with them at playtimes and it has made me very proud that on two occasions this week passers-by have commented on how nicely the children are playing!

Elections

I would like to say how impressed all of the staff were with the children who put themselves forward for election and had spent time preparing their speeches. There could however be only one successful candidate in any of the elections and our congratulations go to the following children:

House Captains	School Council	Eco Warriors
Red House: George	Reception: Arthur	Reception: Emma
Yellow House: Vihaan	Year 1: Philippa	Year 1: Arlo
Green House: Evie-May	Year 2: Dylan	Year 2: Freya
Blue House: Amelia	Year 3: Freddie	Year 3: Caelan
	Year 4: Amelia	Year 4: Olivia M
	Year 5: Elora	Year 5: William
	Year 6: Sonia	Year 6: Sienna
	Council Secretary: Luca	Year 6: Charlie (mentor)

Children's Birthdays

In the past some children have brought in sweets on their birthday to share with the class. We would like to request that children do not bring in food for their birthdays as there are a number of children with allergies and we also want to avoid creating a situation where families feel this is something they are expected to do. We always celebrate children's birthdays in assemblies and this year all of the children will be bringing home a birthday card from the children in their class at the appropriate time.

Uniform and Lost Property

We have already amassed a huge pile of lost property, which given the emphasis we place in school on caring for all things is very disappointing! We have now moved the box of lost property to the foyer in the hall by the lunch boxes so that it is easily accessible for children to look in at the end of the day. **Please ensure that you write your child's name in their uniform.** There seem to be a lot of uniform with the names of past children in but children are unaware of who these items now belong to!

Please remember

- Wednesday 21st September Reading Workshop for Monet parents at 2.15pm
- Thursday 22nd September Monet Parents Doodle Maths Workshop 2.15 pm
- Thursday 22nd September Hepworth Curriculum Information Evening for parents 6pm

Artist of the Week

This week we have looked at portraits of The Queen by a variety of artists.

The Queen's Funeral

The school will be closed on Monday as the Country marks the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. This will be an opportunity for each of us to reflect on the service which her late Majesty gave to the Country and to the Commonwealth. I am sure that each of us will also take a moment to reflect on a person or persons who have set us an example of love and devotion. The life of the Queen, and all that she represents, was celebrated in the school only a few months ago on our Jubilee day. In the coming weeks and months we will continue to honour her example, not just in memory but in the nature of the school and the values each member of the community embodies.

With good wishes for a peaceful weekend.

Suzanne Powell
Headteacher

PTA

Reminder its Quiz night on Friday 30th September, booking is now open via Classlist, get your tickets now for £6. No team needed.



Happy Birthday

Evie S – 16th September

Rohan – 18th September

Electra – 21 September



STARS of the week

Van Gogh	Whole Class	
Monet	Arlo	Alice
Hockney	Mia	Amor
Hepworth	Pip	Tommy

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	100%
Monet	94%
Hockney	96%
Hepworth	97%

Class News

Van Gogh

The children have a great week! We are continuing to learn about rules and routines in the class and around school. They have been building relationships with staff and making friends across the school. We went for our first walk in the woods today, which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

Next week we will be following a more structured timetable and starting Phonics, Maths and our topic for this term.

Phonics

Next week we will be revising Phase One, which covers segmenting and blending, rhyme, listening to instrumental sounds and initial sounds in words.

Maths

Throughout the week we will be chanting numbers to 10/20 and introducing:

- Number 1 - Counting out one and matching objects to written and spoken numerals. Introduce 2D shapes, Circle and its properties, one curved side. Also the value of a 1p coin.

Topic

Next week we will start to learn all about us. We will start to talking about our families and look at similarities and differences.

Reminders:

Tuesday 20th September 2022 will be their first full week. The children can arrive anytime from 8.30am onwards.

Please note that the children do need to be in for registration at 8.55am.

Please do not send in toys with the children as they might lost or damaged.

- **Workshops** - Please note that these dates may change but we will try to give you enough notice if one is cancelled as I appreciate you may have booked time off work

EYFS Maths – Thursday 29th September @ 9am

EYFS Phonics – Thursday 6th October @ 9am

- Please could you send the holiday sheets if you have not already as we will be starting our topic 'All About Me' next week.

Please ensure the children have:

- A rain coat – wellies (to be left in school)
- A water bottle every day.
- PE Bag (to be left in school)
- A set of spare clothes, in case of an accident.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet

Next week in Monet Class we will be continuing our theme of fairy tales by focusing on describing the main characters and asking/writing questions using the correct punctuation. In maths Year 1 will be reading and writing numbers to 100 in numerals and reading numbers in words to 20. They will also be counting on and back in tens from any 1-digit or 2-digit number, e.g. 23, 33, 43, 53... and identifying 1 more and 1 less than any 2-digit number. Year 2 will be identifying any number on a 1-100 grid and understanding that each is a multiple of ten and some ones. They will also be locating any 2-digit number on a 1-100 grid or number line and use this to order and compare numbers with <, > and = signs. They will be practising to count on and back in 10s from any number.

In science we will be describing how animals grow and in history/topic we will be finding out more about Monet and completing a timeline of the main events in his life. In art we will be

experimenting with collage techniques and using Matisse as inspiration to develop our own ideas.

Some children will have brought home some photocopied poems in their reading folder. Please make sure your child reads and practises these at home as they contain all the new sounds that your child has learned or practised in phonics that week. The sounds will be listed at the bottom of the poem for your reference. It would be lovely if you could keep them in a folder at home to read, they do not need to be returned to school and your child could even highlight the sounds learned that week. Any questions, please feel free to speak to me next week. Reading folders need to be returned every Tuesday for books to be changed and new poems handed out.

Please check that your child's clothing has their name clearly written inside. We have found a lot of jumpers and cardigans but it is becoming very difficult to return it to the correct child as many have no name or previous child's name.

I am very happy for children to bring things of interest into school to show but please could they be related to our topic/learning/interesting trip rather than toys.

Homework for Monet Class is to read and be read to daily and to complete five minutes of doodle maths daily.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

Hockney

Next week we are going on our school trip to Celtic Harmony as part of our Stone Age to Iron Age topic. We have already looked at Cave art and the children are very excited about our trip. You would have received a letter giving you all the necessary information for the trip so please read it carefully and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

In maths Year 3 children will be focusing on 1, 10 or 100 more or less than a given number. We are also going to be recognising the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones) and solving number problems and practical problems involving these ideas. Year 4 children will be looking at number lines to 10,000 as well as comparing numbers and ordering numbers to 10,000.

In English we are continuing to read our story 'Ottoline and the Yellow Cat'. We will be planning and writing a notebook extract in role of Ottoline. We will be talking about the text we have read so far and trying to sum up all the events in the text.

This week we are going to be setting the homework on Google classroom. Please support your child to log and access it. Maths will be set on **Doodle maths**.

Every child should be able to access it. In case they have forgotten their log in details, here is a little reminder:

Username: first four letters of your name and first four letters of your surname.

For example if your name is **Jonathan Smith** your username will be:

johnsmit

Password:

year 3 password: ram9

year 4 password: **dog0**

Doodlemaths is a valuable resource that the school has invested in. Please support your child at home to access it. It will greatly improve their mental arithmetic as well as other areas in maths. We are going to be handing out star points every Monday in our class to those children who are accessing Doodle maths at home.

We will endeavour to change reading books every day. We are asking children as they come into the classroom in the morning to change their books if they have read them (we will check the comments section to see if the parent has written a comment saying that the book has been finished).

We hope you enjoy your weekend.

Miss Moghaddam and Mrs Whittingham

Hepworth

It's been a very busy week in Hepworth Class and we have achieved so much already! We are so proud of the children's brilliant behaviour and attitude to learning, which can sometimes waver once the initial week is over! Well done children for keeping this up.

It has been exciting to announce house captains, eco warriors and school council members too after our elections this week.

Next Week

Next week in English we are using our text 'Mission: Save Pompeii' to do some comprehension work and note taking. In SPAG our focus is on formal/informal speech structures and our spelling pattern is 'ough'.

In Maths we are continuing our place value work with comparing and ordering numbers as well as negative numbers.

In Science we will be having a more in depth look at the planets, our topic work continues with climate and trade in Greece and our art will continue with some collage and mixed media work.

In PSHE we are looking at ways to participate effectively in discussions online and manage conflict or disagreements and our RE work sees us looking at journeys and special places.

Homework

English is set on a Friday and involves the children writing for 30 minutes using a choice of 4 different types of writing. They need to apply the grammar rule for the week, as many of the spellings for the week and some of the year 5/6 and 3/4 statutory spellings.

All the resources are on Google Classroom, including clear instructions - do take the time to read these in order to support your child and pop to see us after school if this isn't clear.

English homework is to be handed in via Google Classroom (either typed or handwritten and photographed) on Wednesdays.

Maths is set on a Wednesday and will be a range of tasks/games relevant to the learning for that week. If your child does Doodle Maths, they need to complete this every day (or a minimum of 5 days each week) instead of the set homework, in order to achieve their raffle ticket.

(Please note that this week, due to a technical error, the maths homework has gone out on Friday. This is therefore due on Wednesday to allow the usual amount of time to complete.)

If children complete the homework, on time, they will receive a raffle ticket for each piece to be entered into our prize draw at the end of the half term.

Reading should be done for 20 minutes, 5 times a week. Reading records are to be handed in, with comments and page numbers recorded on a Friday in order to receive a raffle ticket for the prize draw.

We hope you are able to attend our curriculum evening next Thursday at 6pm where we will be able to talk to you about the upcoming year in Hepworth.

Have a wonderful weekend and a reflective bank holiday Monday remembering our Queen.

Mrs Wilson and Mrs Jones

DIARY DATES

Monday 19th September	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 21 st September	Hockney Class – Celtic Harmony Camp Trip Reading Workshop for Monet parents at 2.15pm
Thursday 22nd September	Monet Parents Doodle Maths Workshop 2.15 pm Hepworth Curriculum Information Evening for parents 6pm PTA Meeting
Friday 23rd September	PTA Doughnut Sale
Wednesday 28 th September	School Individual photos Reading Workshop for Hockney parents at 2.15pm
Thursday 29 th September	EYFS Maths Parent Workshop 9am
Friday 30th September	PTA Quiz Night
Tuesday 4 th October	Monet Sports Event at Dr Challoner's High School - OAA 9.30am – 11.30am
Thursday 6 th October	EYFS Phonics & Reading Parent Workshop 9am Hockney Doodle Maths Parent Workshop 2.15 pm
Friday 7th October	PTA Tuckshop
Wednesday 12 th October	Parents Evening 3.45pm - 6pm
Thursday 13 th October	Harvest assembly 9am Parents Evening 5pm - 8pm
Friday 14th October	PTA Film Club Secondary transfer test results published
Wednesday 19 th October	9am EYFS Stay and Share - Autumn Walk
Thursday 20th October	PTA Halloween Disco
Friday 21st October	PTA Tuck Shop
Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October	HALF TERM
Monday 31st October	INSET Day
Wednesday 2 nd November	Flu Vaccinations for children in school
Thursday 3rd November	PTA AGM
Friday 4th November	EYFS Stay and read PTA Tuck Shop
Thursday 10 th November	Rovings Bookshop Van Gogh Sports Event at Dr Challoner's High School - Winter Olympics 9.30-12pm Workshare Evening
Friday 11th November	Remembrance Assembly 10.45am PTA Doughnuts
Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Wednesday 16 th November	Anti Bullying Drama Workshops
Thursday 17 th November	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Friday 18th November	Children in Need Day PTA Pyjama Night Film Club
Monday 21 st November	Hockney Bench Ball - The Amersham School 1.30pm - 3pm
Friday 25th November	PTA World Cup themed cake sale
Thursday 1st 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 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Thursday 8th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am PTA Carols on the green
Thursday 15 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm KS2 Carol Concert 6pm
Friday 16th December	Christmas Craft Day PTA Christmas Film Day
Monday 19 th December	Class Christmas Parties
Tuesday 20th December	Term Ends 1.30pm
Wednesday 4th January	Inset Day
Thursday 5 th January	Children Return to School
Monday 23 rd January	Van Gogh Sports Event Movement to Music at The Amersham School 9.45 -11.45am

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