

Chenies School Newsletter

26th November 2021

Headteacher's News

I have had the pleasure this week of listening to the children practise their singing for the end of term nativity and carol service which has been lovely. Please ensure you have the [dates in your dairy](#). We will be limiting tickets to two per family for each event and will send out information about requesting tickets next week.

Football report

The year 5 and 6 football team played a league match against Ley Hill on Wednesday this week. It was very clear for all to see just how much the team have developed and improved as this term has progressed. The children are all becoming more confident in the game and playing as a team. It was an exciting match to watch, with Chenies scoring two goals - the first by Elena and the second by Huw, both hit the back of the net to huge cheers by the Chenies supporters! Ley Hill took the final lead, but all of the Chenies team should be exceptionally proud of their performance. The light faded quickly, with the game ending in darkness, so we sadly didn't get a team photo! Mrs Tillyer was very proud of all the players, who demonstrated the sporting values and habits of mind so well. Huw was awarded 'Player of the Game' for this match - well done! Thank you to all who transported and supported the players.

Breakfast Club

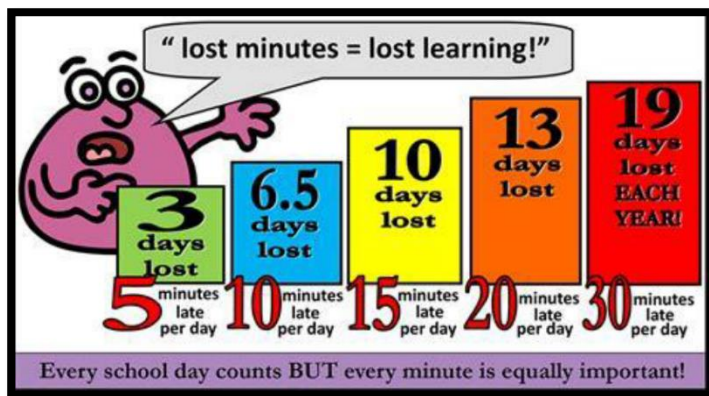
Thank you to everyone who has replied back to the Breakfast Club survey. Due to the high response we are anticipating starting the club on Monday 10th January, the club will start at 7.40am. More details will follow shortly.

Punctuality

I have noticed that an increasing number of children are arriving after 8.50am.

Being punctual for school means making sure your child is at school and ready to learn before the register is taken. Our school register is taken at 8.55am and children should be in school by 8.50am. There are many ways to ensure your child is on time for school, from making sure their school bags are packed the night before to making

sure they get up with plenty of time to eat and get ready. If temporary traffic lights are causing delay, please leave a few minutes earlier than usual. Lost minutes mean lost learning. Being late doesn't only affect your child, it disrupts other children in the class as well as the teachers trying to teach a lesson. However, if you do think you are going to be late, please don't keep your child off school for the rest of the day. Being late and in school is better than being absent and missing out.



Christmas Post

The Christmas card post box will be just inside the main entrance from Wednesday. Children can post their cards and they will be sorted and delivered by Hepworth class. When addressing the envelope please put the child's class on as well.

Children in Need

Thank you for all your donations for wearing bright clothes and at the cake sale last week. We raised a grand total of £273 for the Children in Need appeal.

Dr Challoner's High School Admission Policy 2023/24

In accordance with the School Admission Code, Dr Challoner's High School Admissions Policy for 2023 is now available for public consultation. The policy is available on the [school website](#).

The consultation period is from Monday 22nd November 2021 until Friday 21st January 2022. The Governing body welcomes any comments on the updated policy. Please email your comments to office@challonershigh.com, any comments must be returned by Friday 21st January 2022.



PTA CHRISTMAS TREE GIVEAWAY + MUFTI

On Monday 29th November, we are hosting a MUFTI day, the theme will be: Christmas Jumpers or Christmas Colours or Own Clothes. A suggested donation is £1 but all children can take part in the MUFTI regardless of donation.

The following day we give away a voucher kindly donated by THE CHRISTMAS TREE FARM in Chesham Bois. This to the value of £52 and will be a fantastic prize. All children will receive a ticket (unless you reply to this message to opt out). 2021 has been a tough year and we want to bring a bit of festive cheer, and give all children a fair chance to win the tree.

Good luck and thanks for your support, the PTA

Non Uniform Day

Friday 3rd December is non uniform day; in return please bring in donations for our Christmas fair tombola's. Donating is voluntary, you can donate to one tombola or all tombola's, it's totally up to you – but the more we have the more fundraising we can do. If you aren't able to donate that's okay, please do still join in our non-uniform day. We will be in the playground collecting your kind donations. Jazzy jars – decorate a jar and fill with sweets, stationery or anything else you like Chocolate tombola – can be big bars, biscuits, cakes, boxes of chocolates Bottle tombola – whilst alcohol is very popular and brings lots of tickets sales, other bottles are great too, shampoo, bubble bath

Please Remember!

- If your child would like a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 15th December, please make your booking on ParentPay
- MUFTI day on Monday 29th November
- Mufti Day on Friday 3rd December (donations for the tombola)

I wish you all a very enjoyable weekend.

Suzanne Powell



Happy Birthday



Mia – 29th November

Evie-May – 2 December

Van Gogh	Thivaaniha	Philippa
Monet	Caelan	Dylan
Hockney	Jamie	Evie
Hepworth	Amelia	Gabriel & Huw

Class News

Van Gogh

Hope you have all had a good week!

Phonics

The children are doing well with segmenting and blending, hearing initial/middle/end sounds and rhyme. We will continue to consolidate Phase 1 and would appreciate if you could continue to work with the children on their Phase 1 targets.

To support reading the children will be learning to sight read the tricky words alongside the sounds. Please use the material sent home last week in their reading pack to continue to reinforce these.

Maths

We have continued to work on mathematical vocabulary related to addition, learning how to read/write simple number sentences and make up stories using objects and drawings.

This week we will be chanting numbers to 10/20 and will be consolidating number four and introducing number 5:

Conservation of a number: Number of objects in a set does not change even when they are moved around.

Composition of a number: Number are made of two or more other smaller numbers involving a 'part' and a 'whole'. Learning to 'see' a whole number and its parts at the same time.

Subitise: Look at a group of objects and realise how many there are without counting.

- **Number 5**
- Counting out five - Matching numerals to written and spoken numerals – Pentagon (five straight sides and five corners) Using/adding different combination of coins to make 5p – ordinal numbers 5th – Number formation - 5 'o'clock'.
Subitise numbers to 5 – Number Bonds to 5, partitioning number 5 and finding the different combinations e.g. 1+4 2+3 3+2 4+1
- Children count 1-10 on a number track (Can say one more/less than a number)
- Days of the week – what come before... what comes after...?

Over the next few weeks we will be consolidating all the learning for numbers 1-5. Please support your child to continue to reinforce previous learning.

Topic

We will continue to learn about the importance of 'light' in different cultural celebrations. Next week is 1st December and we will introduce the importance of Advent in the Christian calendar. The children will also continue to share the text 'Owl Babies' and talk about how light and dark affects how we feel.

REMINDERS:

SHOW & TELL DATES: Thursday 2nd December – Yellow House

STAY AND PLAY: Tuesday 30th November at 1.45pm.

Once again thank you for your ongoing support! Should you have any further queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet

The children in Monet Class have had an exciting week inventing and making their healthy fruit smoothies. They were all delicious! We have been busy writing instructions on how to make them.



Next week in English we will be focusing on capital letters (when to use them and correct formation) by looking at the features of a letter, names and addresses and writing invitations.

In Maths we will be continuing to look at partitioning 2-digit numbers, adding and subtracting multiples of 10 and adding by counting on.

In Geography we will be thinking about the route we take to school and trying to draw (or make) a map of our route.

In Art we will be making calendars and continuing our collage theme by linking this to the seasons.

We will also be compiling our 'kindness' advent calendar and linking this to feelings in PSHE.

Home Learning will be on Google Classroom.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

Hockney

As promised last week please find below some images of our work from the Ashmolean workshop. The children really enjoyed making the different artefacts and predominantly focused on making Egyptian toys such as the skittles game you can see below. There was also a new game we were introduced to, a sort of Egyptian Snakes & Ladders, so the children tried to recreate this as you can see below.



In Maths next week we will be continuing our work on multiplication and division. We have been focusing on better understanding and recalling our times tables and revisiting grouping and arrays. In Year 4 we have begun to look at how numbers divide by 10 and 100 and how we manipulate numbers in order to do this.

In English next week we will start our new topic focusing on autobiographies. We will be learning what makes an autobiography different from other types of text and what key features we find in autobiographies. If you are able to, it would be really helpful to talk to your child about some important memories to help them better understand what an autobiography is.

In Geography next week we will be looking at the river Nile and debating the pros and cons of damming the Nile. We will identify the Aswan dam and the Nile Delta on a map and discuss the role they play within Egyptian society.

In PSHE we will be focusing on conflicts within friendships, trying to better understand why we might fall out with our friends and what we can do to resolve these conflicts. We will be learning to identify triggers within friendship groups so we know how best to avoid these and be given some strategies that we can put in place to try and resolve issues with our friends ourselves.

We hope you have a very lovely and restful weekend.

Mrs Whittingham & Miss Groves

Hepworth

The weeks are flying past this term! The children in Hepworth are working hard and should be proud of the standard of work many are striving to achieve as the term is progressing.

We are expecting year 5 to take part in forest school on Monday afternoon. Please remember to wear leggings or jogging bottoms, with your Christmas jumper on the top half of the body.

English

Next week we will be focussing on persuasive writing. We will learn about and explore the language features specific to this form of writing. We will then use all we've learned to produce our own different types of persuasive writing linked to our learning about World War II. At the end of the week we will then link this with our computing work to create a radio advert using recording software. Our spelling rule will be the suffix 'sion' and our grammar focus is on punctuating direct speech.

Maths

We continue to need our times tables next week as we learn about division. In years 5 and 6 the focus is on using formal methods of calculations. Both year groups will be taught short division (bus stop method) and year 6 will also progress to long division (dividing by 2-digit numbers).

Other subjects

Year 6 will begin to make their cushions on Monday. If they have any fabric they would particularly like to use or anything they wish to attach to it, they are welcome to bring it in.

In science we will explore how the different elements of the circulatory system work together. We will be doing some cooking using a war time ration recipe for our DT topic.

Singing for our carol service in the last week of term is also beginning and next week all children will receive a script with their lines for the service.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Tillyer and Mrs Wilson

Diary Dates for 2021 – 2022

Monday 29th November	PTA Mufti Day
Tuesday 30 th November	EYFS Stay & Play 1.45pm
Friday 3rd December	PTA Non-Uniform Day Wreath Making Workshop 7pm – 9pm
Saturday 4th December	PTA Christmas Fair 12pm – 3pm
Wednesday 8 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Thursday 9 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am
Friday 10 th December	Christmas Craft Day Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 13 th December	West End in Schools - Pantomime Dance Workshop
Wednesday 15 th December	Class Christmas Parties Christmas Lunch Day
Thursday 16 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm KS2 Carol Concert 6pm
Friday 17 th December	Term Ends 1.30pm PTA Film Club 1.30pm – 3pm
Tuesday 4th January	INSET DAY
Wednesday 5 th January	Children Return to School