

# St Chads CE Primary School



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PRAYER

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## Headteachers Message

Dear Parents, As you are aware our children started their Spring Reading Passports during Book Week. These aim to encourage children to read daily to help with their skills development and also to encourage reading books for pleasure. Please do help your child to complete their passport and chat with them about their favourite books and authors. This week we have been taking part in 'Children's Mental Health Week' where we have been talking about how we can keep our minds healthy as well as our bodies, and how talking can really help. This is linked to all of our continuous work on Anti Bullying, School Values, Growth Mindset and other personal development curriculum areas. Next week we will be holding our Spring collection for the local Food Bank. The Food Bank has asked for long life juice, sponge puddings, shampoo, deodorants, shaving foam, washing powder, washing up liquid and small bags of sugar. If you can help, the items should be sent in for the collection on Wednesday morning. On Monday evening, we will be holding our termly Parents Evening in the school hall and your child's books will be available in the classrooms. We do ask that you try and make an appointment on the day that has been set aside rather than asking staff to meet on other days, as staff are extremely busy in the last week of Half Term with assessments. Thank you for your co-operation. I am very excited to inform you that we will be holding a whole day of celebration on the 2nd March for our Saint, St Chad when we will be visited by the Bishop of Lichfield. It will be a very crafty day and we would like to invite all parents to see all of the work produced in a mini exhibition on Tuesday 3rd March between 3-3:40pm in the school hall. Next Tuesday, we will all be taking part in 'Safer Internet Day' where we will once again, be discussing the great positives of the internet and safe behaviours. Finally, I would like to express my great sadness with the negativity that seems to be coming from some parents about our school. We have a fantastic school with brilliant staff and leadership. The constant nit picking and negativity is really getting all of the staff down. For example this week, parents seemed to think that we stopped boys going to the toilet in school when the outside toilet was temporarily closed after misuse. I cannot believe that parents thought we would stop any child going to the toilet!! Some parents seem to have a very low opinion of the staff and yet they are some of the best and most committed I have ever worked with. So I ask for a little positivity in our school and for the staff and leaders that work here. A little faith in us and respect wouldn't go a miss! Thank you. Miss Clarke

Lord, help us to keep our mind healthy and support those who are struggling. Help us to give a listening ear and to be a friend and share a troubled mind. Amen



### STW Assembly & Workshops.

On Tuesday 28th January we were treated to a visit from Severn Trent Water. Claire came to talk to us about the importance of conserving water and how it is important to look after our local waterways. She told us about how we can play an important role in saving water by turning off taps when they are not in use and taking a shower instead of a bath. Claire also treated Y2 to a workshop about saving water and the children enjoyed making posters.



### Chester Zoo Rangers

Last Friday the children in Reception and Years 1-4 had a visit from the Rangers, who work at Chester Zoo. In Reception and KS1, the children learnt about the rainforest. We learnt about the animals that live in the rainforest and the importance of the different layers. The children learnt about trees being chopped down in the rainforests and about how we can help stop this. We can look out for the 'Red Tractor' when buying beef and we can always recycle our aluminium cans, because the aluminium mines are beneath some rainforests. In Years 3 and 4 the Rangers talked about life cycles of different animals and how some are independent from the moment they are born. The children really enjoyed the day and we would like to say a big thank you to Chester Zoo and their Rangers for sharing their knowledge.



### Carbon Monoxide Workshop

On Monday the children in Ms Durgan's and Mrs Alcock's classes had a visit from Gavin and Safety Seymour. They work for Cadent Gas and they came to teach us about the dangers of carbon monoxide. The children learnt lots about this gas and took part in drama activities. They all took home their own carbon monoxide alarm to use in their homes and learnt that they need to be put up high. It was a fully enjoyable and interactive day.



## HOUSE POINTS

DRAGONS 154 PHOENIX 157  
UNICORNS 148 GRIFFINS 149

## AWARDS

On a Friday each teacher nominates a pupil from the class for the 'Class Award'. Each winner is presented with a certificate.

**RA**  
Fearne Potts  
Darcee Comley

**Y1M**  
Grace Tidyman  
Scarlett Searl

**Y12A**  
Mila Haseldine  
Sam Smith

**Y12D**  
David Florescu  
Betsy Brockley

**Y34M**  
Lilly-Anne Rowland  
Kaiden Hirst

**Y34H**  
Dillon Cooper  
Lainie Bailey

**Y34W**  
Harvey Powell  
Umar Mohammed

**Y5B**  
Taylor Hancock  
Ronnie Tittley

**Y56D**  
Archie Johnstone  
Ellie Conyon

**Y56S**  
Kate Powell  
Lucie Barber

**CLASS ATTENDANCE**  
24.01.20 - Y34M  
31.01.20 - Y12A

**CHADLEY BEAR AWARD**  
31.01.20 - Y34W  
07.02.20 - Y1M

**RANGER AWARD**  
31.01.20 - Reuben Roche  
07.02.20 - Farrah Munden

**Values**  
Independence  
Empathy  
Belonging  
British Liberty  
Democracy  
Respect  
Commitment  
School  
Tolerance  
Kindness  
Honesty  
Law

# CLUBS

<b>Monday</b>				<b>Wednesday</b>		
French Club	(KS2)	Lunchtime	Madam Howard	Story Club	(R-Y2)	Mrs McDonald
Football Club	(R-Y6)		Premier Sport	Choir Club	(KS2)	Mrs Marshall/Ms Durgan
<b>Tuesday</b>				Martial Arts Club	(R-Y6)	Premier Sport
Cookery Club	(Y3)	4.30pm finish	Mrs Kirkham/Mrs Lovatt	<b>Thursday</b>		
Netball Club	(Y4-Y6)		Mrs Hamilton	Lego Club	(Y3-4)	Mrs Alcock
Cards Club	(Y4-Y6)		Mrs Brennan	Gymnastics Club	(R-Y6)	Premier Sport
Health & Wellbeing Club	(Y1-Y2)		Mrs Atwood	<b>Friday</b>		
Craft Club	(Y2-Y6)		Mrs Tennant	Glow Sports Club	(R-Y6)	Premier Sport
Cheerleading Club	(R - Y6)		Premier Sport	<b>ALL CLUBS FINISH AT 4.20PM UNLESS STATED</b>		

## Nursery Admissions for 2020

If you have a child who will be 3 years old before the 1st September 2020 who will require a place in our Nursery Class, then please visit our website [www.st-chads-newcastle.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.st-chads-newcastle.staffs.sch.uk) where you will find information and an application form that you will need to complete and return to us. (Paper copies are available from the school office.) The closing date for any applications is **3rd April 2020**.

## Class Assemblies

28th Feb - Y12A  
6th Mar - Y34W  
13th Mar - Y56S  
27th Mar - Y5B  
**All class assemblies start at 9am hall.**

## School Council

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March  
**Please report to the main office for 8.30am.**

## School Uniform

Smart School Uniform (our uniform provider) are now offering a school uniform saving scheme where you can go in early and reserve any uniform with a small deposit. You can then pay a little off each week or pay whenever you have the money. This is a brilliant service to take advantage of as you will not have a large bill when coming to purchase your uniform(s).



Please contact them direct for more information.  
Tel: 01782 713650, Facebook (smart school uniform) or via their website [www.smartacademyuniform.co.uk](http://www.smartacademyuniform.co.uk)

## IMPORTANT TEST DATES

Y6 SATs 11th - 15th May 2020  
Y2 SATs 11th - 22nd May 2020  
Y345 SATs 18th - 22nd May 2020  
Y1 Phonics Screening 8th June 2020



## Social Media Warning

'Omegle' is an app that has been brought to our attention from our Education Safeguarding adviser which we thought would be useful to share, so that you have an awareness. With any social media there is a potential risk but this app in particular is concerning. Omegle is a free online chat website that allows users to socialize with others without the need to register. The service randomly pairs users in 1:1 chat sessions where they chat anonymously using the names "You" and "Stranger" or "Stranger 1" and "Stranger 2" in the case of Spy mode. The below links provide further information.

<http://www.hollingworthbec.co.uk/files/omegle-parent-guide.pdf>

## VACANCY FOR A CASUAL LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR

We currently have a vacancy for a Casual Lunchtime Supervisor. The role involves working one hour supervising children over the lunchtime period. You would be required to work on an 'as and when basis' to cover absences. A full DBS check will be required for this post which will be sorted by school. If you are interested in the above, please contact the school office for an application form. Thank you.

## Premier Clubs

New clubs will be starting after Half Term. If you have not received a letter then please see our website or visit the office. Thank you.

## Netball Competition

Our Year 5 /6 High 5 Netball team played their first league fixture this year on Tuesday 4th at Keele University. They worked excellently together as a team and played 3 matches in total. They finished the fixture with 1 win and 2 well fought out losses.

Goal scorers—Harry 2 and Ellie 1.  
Well done everyone—you played fantastically!  
Mrs Hamilton



## St Chad's Cross Country

The second race in our St Chad's Cross Country series took place last week, and once again, the conditions were very boggy (but we avoided the torrential rain from earlier in the day). The first three in the boys' race were Rhys, Pierre and Dillon, and in the girls' race they were Ellie, Freya and Ellie-Rose. However, all 25 runners who took part did extremely well in difficult conditions. Well done to all!



## CHADLEY'S CLUB

Could I please request that any outstanding booking forms for March be returned to me as soon as possible as we only have two school weeks left in February. May I also remind you that our Premier Clubs start again after half term. Please send in your reply slip/money as soon as possible. Hope you all have a lovely Half Term break. Thank you. Adam Steadman - 07984241685



# DATES

10th Feb - Y5 Bikeability (part 1)	11th - 13th Mar - Y4 to Laches Wood
10th Feb - Parents Evening	12th Mar - Y6 River Study trip to Macclesfield Forest
11th Feb - Safer Internet Day	13th Mar - Sports Relief
11th Feb - Y4 Bikeability	16th Mar - Go Green Week
12th Feb - Y5 Bikeability (part 2)	17th Mar - Music concert to parents (K2M, Instruments & Choir)
12th Feb - Food Bank Collection	18th Mar - Eco Day (Dress in Green)
13th Feb - Valentine Disco	18th Mar - Cross Country Final Race
13th Feb - Parent Forum Meeting 3:30	19th Mar - Y5 River Study trip to Macclesfield Forest
14th Feb - House Competition	20th Mar - Mothers Day Assembly
17th Feb - 21st Feb - HALF TERM	24th Mar - Tempest Photographers in school (class/groups)
25th Feb - Charity Book Sale (School Council)	24th Mar - Netball Competition @ Keele University
26th Feb - Cross Country Race 3	27th Mar - House Competition
27th Feb - Y5 at CCSC all day (Taster Session)	31st Mar - House Prize
2nd Mar - St. Chad's Day - Bishop of Lichfield in school	1st Apr - Y1/2 Trip to Peak Wildlife Park
3rd Mar - Netball Competition @ Keele University	3rd Apr - CLOSING DATE for Nursery Applications
4th Mar - Cross County Race 4	3rd Apr - SCHOOL CLOSES for the Easter Break
5th Mar - Laches Wood Meeting for parents	20th Apr - SCHOOL RE-OPENS (Summer Term)

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