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## Cheapside CE Primary School

### September Newsletter 2017

Our year 5/6 children have returned to school after a very successful trip to Calshot in Southampton and we also now have our full complement of children in Reception.

This is a very exciting time for our school, but also a time of transition whilst our building work nears completion and we thank you for your continued support and flexibility at this time. We still anticipate that works will be completed by the end of half term in October.

Please read on to see where we are in our journey towards expansion and the adaptations we are making in the short-term to ensure that all children can maximise their learning opportunities whilst the project nears completion.

#### School Values and Collective Worship

We have been working with our Diocesan Advisor to review our Values and will publicise these shortly. Until the building work is complete, there will not be a celebration assembly of our monthly value with parents.

We have brought forward the timing of our assembly with the Vicar on a Monday and our Friday Celebration assembly, to 9.10am, to allow years 4 and 5, currently in the hall, to maximise their lesson time in the morning. Collective worship for Tuesday – Thursday will then be class based to avoid any further disruption for year groups in the hall.

On occasion, we may hold whole school collective worship outside or Key Stage assemblies in classrooms.

#### Staffing

Staffing arrangements for each class this term will be as follows:

Wrens - Reception

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mrs Thomas	Mrs Thomas
Tuesday	Mrs Thomas	Mrs Thomas
Wednesday	Mrs Thomas	Mrs Thomas
Thursday	Mrs Summers (Forest School)	Mrs Summers
Friday	Mrs Summers	Mrs Summers (Forest School)

Doves – Year 1

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mrs Spong	Mrs Day
Tuesday	Mrs Spong	Mrs Day
Wednesday	Mrs Spong	Mrs Day
Thursday	Mrs Spong	Mrs Aplin (Forest School)
Friday	Mrs Spong	Mrs Spong

Robins – Year 2

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mrs Day	Mrs Day
Tuesday	Mrs Day	Mrs Day
Wednesday	Mrs Day	Mrs Aplin (Forest School)
Thursday	Mrs Aplin	Mrs Aplin
Friday	Mrs Aplin	Mrs Aplin

Nightingales – Year 3

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mrs Ryker	Mrs Ryker
Tuesday	Mrs Ryker	Mrs Ryker
Wednesday	Mrs Summers (Forest School)	Mrs Roberts
Thursday	Mrs Roberts	Mrs Roberts
Friday	Mrs Roberts	Mrs Roberts

Kingfishers – Year 4

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mr Streater	Mr Streater
Tuesday	Mr Streater	Mr Streater
Wednesday	Mr Streater	Mr Streater
Thursday	Mr Streater	Mr Streater
Friday	Mr Streater	Mr Streater

Kestrels – Year 5

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mr Searle	Mr Searle
Tuesday	Mr Searle	Mr Searle
Wednesday	Mr Searle	Mr Searle
Thursday	Mr Searle	Mr Searle
Friday	Mr Searle	Mr Searle

Owls – Year 6

Day of week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mrs Hayden	Mrs Hayden
Tuesday	Mrs Hayden	Mrs Hayden
Wednesday	Mrs Hayden	Mrs Hayden
Thursday	Mrs Hayden	Mrs Hayden
Friday	Mrs Hayden	Mrs Hayden

Please note that Mrs Higgins and staff from SCL will together, be teaching all children PE during the week. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school all week.

As per the Forest School letter sent home earlier this week, years 4 – 6 will be having a half termly session in the woods throughout the year. Currently, Mrs Summers is beginning with year 3 on a Wednesday morning.

## Lunchtimes

We are currently adopting flexible lunchtime arrangements with our infant children eating first. Years 3 – 5 will then eat on a rolling basis once places become available. Year 6 children will be buddying up with a Reception child to help them with their lunch and then changing into outdoor footwear once they've eaten. We will continue with this approach in the short-term to ensure that our year 4/5 children do not lose curriculum time.

## Outdoor learning opportunities

We are in the woods!

Mrs Summers and Mrs Aplin have been working very hard to ensure that our woodland area is ready and as of Wednesday this week, half day woodland sessions have begun.



Years 1 and 2 will have a session each week and Reception children, 2 sessions each week. Our junior children will be having half termly sessions to enhance their curriculum experience.



Our allotment is also ready and we hope to be growing produce very shortly. In order to improve access, children and staff can now access the area through a gate from our school playing field.

## Parking

We kindly ask that parents park continue to park considerately for our neighbours. As per earlier communication, we assured our neighbours that we would encourage parents not to park in Dorian Drive and we really need your help in implementing this. We must also ask that there is no parking on the yellow zig-zags in front of the gates. This is strictly prohibited as these are in place to protect the children.

We urge as many people as possible to park on Watersplash Lane beside the 'tea tent field'. This has the smallest impact on any local residents. We kindly ask that you also do not block our neighbours' driveways.

## Class Arrangements

This week, with everyone back in school, has allowed us to review and reflect on current classroom arrangements. We would like to assure you that whilst we appreciate these are short term measures and not ideal, we will be implementing changes as we see fit in order support our children's learning and will keep you updated.

## Teacher Meetings

At the beginning of this year each teacher will also be holding an informal meeting open to all parents of children in their class to discuss class routines, homework expectations and topics for the term etc. These will be held at the end of the school day at home time and you are welcome to come along with your child. Siblings in other classes will be supervised for the duration of the meeting in the library area by staff. There will be a printed summary available for everyone and especially for those who are unable to attend. Dates will follow shortly.

We will then be offering an opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher during November to discuss how your child is settling in to the new academic year. Appointment times will be available after half term and allocated slots for you to sign up will be available nearer the time, including early evening times. If necessary, you will be able to make a further appointment if you have any concerns you wish to discuss in depth.

## Uniform

We would like to remind you of our school uniform policy and welcome your support in this respect. With the warm start to the term, we appreciate that children may be more comfortable in Summer uniform, however, we would like all children in Winter uniform by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

Please ensure that children have PE kit and trainers in school all week from Monday to Friday.

### **All clothing needs to be clearly named:**

#### **Boys**

**Winter** Grey trousers, light blue shirt, grey school jumper, royal blue tie, black shoes and grey socks.

**P.E.** Light blue school t-shirt, plain navy blue shorts, trainers with white socks, a plain dark blue/black tracksuit.

#### **Girls**

**Winter** Grey skirt or pinafore dress, light blue blouse, grey school cardigan or jumper and royal blue tie. Black flat or low heeled shoes and grey socks/tights.

**P.E.** Light blue school t-shirt, plain navy blue shorts, trainers with white socks, a plain dark blue/black tracksuit.

### **For all children**

**Jewellery** Jewellery, **should not be worn** with the exception of plain single ear studs which should be removed/taped up for P.E.

Children may also wear a watch.

**Hair** Shoulder length hair or longer should be tied back with a discrete hair tie to match the school uniform.

**Ties, t-shirts, polo shirts, swimming hats, jumpers/cardigans, tracksuits, fleece-lined waterproof coats, beanie hats, book and PE bags can be obtained through the school uniform shop.**

**Lost property will be kept up until half a term and then donated to charity.**

## **Food in school**

We would like to remind you that we have a policy of Healthy Eating and ask that breaktime snacks should be either fruit or vegetables (this is provided by the school for Reception/Year 1/Year 2). As part of our Healthy Eating policy, sweets including chocolates are not allowed in packed lunches. For health and safety reasons, nuts or nut products, including satay sticks, peanut butter and Nutella type spreads are also not permitted as we have children who have allergies.

Please ensure that any cakes or sweets for children's birthday treats are brought to the school office and do not contain nuts.

## **How to Keep your Child Safe Online**

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**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – 6.30pm to 8pm**

### **Important information**

We recently sent home a copy of this information. To date we have received some replies but are keen to know final numbers. To this end, we would be very grateful if you would return the reply slip to indicate whether you are or are not able to attend either session.

*The school will be having a Special Internet Safety Day on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. The children will learn about going on line and how to keep safe. It is important that parents are also involved so they are able to help their children when they are at home. We would like to invite you to a special talk. The talk is being given by Paul Hay, who is a specialist in Internet Safety. He will tell you:*

- *How young people use the Internet.*
- *Show how children use programs such as Moshi Monsters, Minecraft, Roblox, Instagram and SnapChat*
- *Describe how information young people post can be misused by people who are not their friends.*

- **Explain what you, as parents, can do to help keep them safe.**

*Above all it will give you as parents and carers the confidence to help your child get the most benefit and enjoyment from the internet while keeping safe.*

*Topics will be discussed in language we as parents understand. No technical or computer knowledge is required or expected.*

*We would therefore like a member of each family to attend a session as listed below if at all possible.*

*You are welcome to bring a friend or adult family member with you.*

*We appreciate that not all parents are able to attend an evening event. Therefore, we are also allowing parents to attend the morning assembly for years 2-4. The children will have their Internet Safety Assembly and then go back to their classes.*

*Afterwards, Paul will talk just to the parents and give an overview of the full talk. The assembly starts promptly at 9am and the talk to parents will finish at 10am. If possible, we do urge parents to attend the evening event as you will hear much more detail about this important topic.*

## **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	How to keep your child safe Online
Monday 23 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	INSET
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Term Ends

## **Inset Days for 2017/18**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
 Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
 Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017  
 Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018  
 Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Please note, whilst we will try and stick to these dates, occasionally, some may be subject to change.**