



Cheapside CE Primary School June Newsletter 2018

Our theme for the term

This term we are focussing on the theme of Community.

An addition to our Reception class!

We are grateful to Upton House School for selling their SMART table to us and it is already becoming a valuable learning resource for our reception class who are using it constantly.



Great Park Open Day

Last week the Crown Estate held their Open Day at Windsor Great Park. Designed to display the wide range of activities performed on Crown land, Year 5 and 6 children from Cheapside School visited a number of these businesses which generate the income which finance the Estate.



These activities include the use of the woods as a backdrop for major motion pictures like Maleficent; environmental management (tree surgery, game and conservation, as well as the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire & Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust); Zip-wire and high ropes at Go Ape!

The Crown Estate also has a wide range of sporting activities including a Golf Course, Cricket Pitch and Bowls Club. The biggest draw for the children was the team of Huskies, which – together with either a snow sled or wheeled sled – are involved in Husky racing in Swinley Forest. A number of the children are actively encouraging their parents to get one!

The weather was good and the children thoroughly enjoyed the day. They now understand what goes on in the Great Park and many showed interest in future careers on the Estate.

Out for lunch!

Our Year 3 and 4 children had a very memorable experience at The Thatched Tavern, thanks to John Cross and the team at the pub.

Not only were the children treated to a healthy and delicious lunch, but they were given the opportunity to learn about and try different herbs that can be used to flavour foods. They enjoyed sampling thyme, mint and oregano and delighted in the fact that they were sitting in an edible garden! They were asked to consider the alternatives to sugary drinks – seeing just how much sugar is in a bottle of coke - and artificial flavours and preservatives in food. Comments like “wow and cool” echoed around the garden as they watched John spin a lime in sparking

water and add a giant borage leaf to flavour it.

They also sampled plates of mouth-watering food often containing foods they had not tried before. A surprise hit was the lemon thyme sardines which became popular with even some of the more reluctant diners! They commented that: “these are the best fries ever”; “this is so nice”; “I’m coming here for lunch every day” and “How exciting to eat real plants!”

The children were presented with one of the herb plants they had sampled to take away with them and there was eager talk about planting it straight away. They came into school the next day eager to share how they had added some of their herb to their dinner at home the previous evening.

The school would like to say a huge thankyou to the team at The Thatched Tavern and to John Cross for giving our children such a great opportunity. We are now applying what we learnt from the visit to grow more herbs and salads on our allotment.



Year 6 Swimming

We would like to thank St. Mary's School, Ascot, for allowing our Year 6 children to use their swimming pool each week for this term. They are taught by Holly, who many of you will remember from previous lessons at Cheapside.

The army move in!!

Children in Year 5 spent the afternoon in the woods as part of their topic on WW1. They re-created trenches scaled to the size of replica soldiers and also sampled a simple stew of carrot and turnip, bully beef and hardtack biscuits. Unfortunately, 3 soldiers are still missing in action!





‘Move up morning’

On Tuesday, 3rd July, children will spend the morning in their new classes. They need to come into school as normal and register in their existing classrooms and then, following assembly, they will move into their new year groups.



Ascot Week

As per the email sent out this week, children will be going out to see the Royal Procession on the following days:

Tuesday – Years 3 and 6

Wednesday – Years 2 and 4

Thursday – Years 1 and 5

Friday – Reception

If you are able to help accompany the children on any of these days, please let the office staff know.

End of year assembly

We will be having our end of year assembly at Church this year during the final week. We are just in the process of confirming the date with Stephen our Vicar. We will let you know very shortly.

Diary Dates

Monday 18th June

Tuesday 19th June – Saturday 23rd June

Tuesday 26th June (morning)

Wednesday 27th June

Thursday 28th June

Tuesday 3rd July

Tuesday 3rd July

Wednesday 4th July

Wednesday 4th July

- Year 6 trip to Hurley – more information to follow.

- Ascot Week – no after school clubs

- Class photographs/team photographs

- School Choir – performance of ‘Ocean Commotion’ at the Hexagon -

Information to follow separately

- ‘Millers Ark’ (mobile farm) visiting KS1 and Reception children

- ‘Move up morning’ – see above

- Year 6 Charters Transition day

- Year 5 Cluster Sports – more

information to follow – please note that this is not an event for parents to watch.

- new Reception intake 2018 – ‘Stay and Play’ sessions in the morning and

Wednesday 4 th July	parents' meeting at 6.30 – 7.30pm - Year 6 Charters and Ranelagh
Thursday 5 th July	Transition day - Year 6 Ranelagh Transition day
Thursday 5 th July	- Infant Sports morning
Friday 6 th July	- Infant Sports morning reserve
Friday 6 th July	- Swimming Gala (afternoon only) at Bracknell Sports Centre – for squad children only (year 6) – more information to follow.
Friday 6 th July	- Provisional Year 6 'Camp Out'
Week beginning Monday 9 th July	- Reports to parents
Monday 9 th July	- School Play
Tuesday 10 th July	- Year 6 'Make £5 grow' – more information to follow
Wednesday 11 th July	- KS2 Sports morning
Wednesday 11 th July	- School Play
Thursday 12 th July	- 'Egypt experience' – year 4 – more information to follow
Thursday 12 th July	- Year 6 PTA trip
Friday 13 th July	- KS2 Sports morning reserve
Sunday 15 th July	- PTA Family Fun Day at school – more information to follow
Monday 16 th July	- 'Egypt experience' – year 3 – more information to follow
Date in final week to be confirmed	- Whole School end of year assembly at St. Michael's Church – 2.30pm – parents/carers welcome
Thursday 19 th July	- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 1.30pm
Friday 20 th July	- End of term

School Communication

We are trying to minimise where possible, paperwork sent home, so the majority of communication will be by email and or text. Please inform the office if there are any changes to your email address/phone numbers as soon as possible. There are hard copies of letters available from the front office and general letters are uploaded to the school website for your information. Any letters requiring a permission slip will be sent home in hard copy as well as emailed.

If your child is unwell, please inform the school office on a daily basis by 9.30am. Please note that if your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea, they may not return to school until 48 hours after the last bout.

Any requests for absence should be made in writing in advance. Please see the office staff for the relevant form.

If you have made alternative arrangements for the collection of your child after school, please ensure that you inform the school office staff in a timely manner. Children will not be able to leave the premises unless this has been done.

Parent Consultations

This term there are no parents' evenings, but following the issue of School reports, should you wish you may book an individual appointment with your child's Class Teacher.