



Wren Class Newsletter - Week Beginning 10/09/2018.

Welcome to the first Wren Class Newsletter!

Each week we will post a newsletter onto the Gallery Wren Class page of the school website which will inform you of the learning that has taken place that week and any information or messages.

Firstly, it has been a pleasure to meet you and the children this week and we hope that the children have enjoyed their first few days at Cheapside School.

We have been busy getting to know the children and making them feel at home in the Wren classroom. Myself, Mrs Harvey, Mrs Bailey and Miss Offord have been setting up activities so that we can observe the children playing and complete the baseline assessment. This will take several weeks to complete and will help us with our planning to develop the children further.

The children have been on a tour of the school and had a go at drawing a map or their favourite part of the school. The children have also braved the playground and joined KS1 at playtime. They were very excited to try school dinners on Thursday and Friday and were joined by their Year 6 buddy whilst they ate lunch.

The children have quickly started to learn the routines in the classroom and are beginning to independently register themselves and put their belongings away. If you feel your child can have a go at this and you are happy to leave them at the pencil gate, please do. There will be a member of staff at the gate to take messages and assist with any queries and we will help the children when they arrive. This will encourage children to be independent and ease congestion in the classroom.

We celebrated Roald Dahl's birthday on Thursday by reading an extract from *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, making shape lollipops and designing sweet wrappers. The children have also been looking at 'marvellous me' by painting a self- portrait using a mirror and chatting about their favourite things to do.

A few of you have asked when PE will be. On Wednesdays the children will be attending Forest School and will also have a PE session with Maidenhead Magpies during the afternoon. Forest School will start next week (19th September), please refer to the letter sent out this week. On occasions we may have an additional PE lesson in the hall on a Monday or Tuesday morning which will include movement to music and using equipment. I will let you know in advance when these lessons will be.

Next week we will be reading *Harry and the Dinosaurs Go to School*, setting our class rules and talking about how we change and develop over time. Please could the children bring in a baby picture of themselves by Tuesday.

We are busy setting up Tapestry and hope to have it up and running next week. There are a few permission forms still outstanding, so we will remind those parents to return them as soon as possible.

Finally, a reminder that the children will be starting school full time next week, unless there is a prior arrangement in place. The children can arrive from 845am-855am at the classroom and can be collected at the pencil gates at 315pm.

Thank you for a lovely week and we hope the children have enjoyed it as much as we have!