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NEWSLETTER – 21st September 2018

Science at Chawton – and any chemists out there?

Mrs Ross had a great time at STEM Club yesterday – and judging by the screams of excitement I heard through the window, so did the children who participated! We will be sharing some photos of their experiments in the coming weeks. During the week Mrs Ross, our Science Coordinator spent time in all our classes and has reported that the level of scientific knowledge and vocabulary demonstrated was fantastic, and there was some great learning happening – Yew Class were critically discussing a model of our Solar System and how they would improve it! Yew and Sycamore Class also enjoyed their trip to Winchester Science Centre today – thank you to all the parents, teachers and staff who helped out to make the day such a success.

We are all beginning to think about our upcoming Science Week (w/c 19.11.18) and have decided that the theme for the week will be ‘Colour Chaos’! We are beginning to plan out some ideas but would still love any additional ideas, offers of support, or if you have friends or family who may like to get involved, please let us know!

We have been made aware of the Royal Society of Chemistry’s Outreach Fund, which can award up to £2000 to fund small projects that:

- enrich student's chemistry education
- provide students with opportunities to explore chemistry through local contexts, AND/OR
- demonstrate career opportunities and develop employability skills, AND/OR
- provide opportunities which would not normally be accessible to the students taking part.

If you, or someone you know have any great ideas of a project that could be run in school to meet these aims we would really love to hear more and work to apply so that we can provide the opportunities and information for children that we would normally be able to provide as a small primary school. For further information please follow the link:

<http://www.rsc.org/awards-funding/funding/outreach-fund/#about>

Orchestra Unwrapped

We are really excited to be able to offer 30 tickets for *Orchestra Unwrapped*, a live orchestral concert by the Philharmonia Orchestra for pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6. The concert will take place on Wednesday 23rd January at The Anvil in Basingstoke, however we will be leading several workshops for the children involved leading up to the concert to allow them to enjoy, explore and experience the music beforehand, which should increase their appreciation of the concert. Further details can be found:

https://www.philharmonia.co.uk/education/schools_and_young_people/about_the_project

A letter will come home next week with further details and a reply slip for your child to be involved – we can’t wait to get started!

Sport – Coaching sessions

Following feedback from several parents last year, we have used our PE/Sports Funding for this year to pay for a specialist coaching company, PH Sports, to run an after school club every Friday that will teach skills and tactics in preparation for some of the Alton Sport Competitions. A letter went home yesterday to all children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 with details of the 5 clubs offered. Please do look through and support these clubs – they are aimed at children who are new to the sports, as well as those with more experience and hope to develop them as a team.

Data Collection Sheets

Thank you for returning your data collection sheets. If you have not returned your sheet please do so as soon as possible. Please sign and return it even if no details have changed.

Worship

This week Mrs Andrews shared the story of the Lion and the Mouse as we reflected on **compassion** and what it means to help someone, especially when we don’t want to. We also learned about Jesus visiting an *asclepion* – I wonder if your child can tell you what that was?! And how Jesus chose to make a difference, even though he didn’t agree with the different religion and it was against his belief, he still wanted to make a difference and show **compassion** to those in need.

Next week there is a Sharing Assembly on **Friday 28th September** in which various certificates will be given out. If your child has any recent certificates or achievements please do let us know and bring them to school on Friday morning.

What's on next week

25th September – Prospective Parents Tour, 1.30pm
27th September – Year 5/6 Hockey training
28th September – Sharing Assembly

School trip payments

A huge thank you to all of the parents of children in Yew and Sycamore classes for returning their permission slips and voluntary contributions. This is the first trip for a while where all payments have been made and all permission slips returned promptly. If you are ever having trouble paying for trips please speak to Miss Tilley or the office staff.

Missing School Uniform

Several parents have come into the office to say that their children have lost, named, jumpers. Please check that any jumpers or cardigans you have at home belong to your child and haven't been taken home by mistake.

Parking

Please note that Chawton car park will be closed for tree and lining works from midnight on 25th September until further notice.

Notices

Year 1 wellies: If your child was in Year 1 last year and they have left their wellies at school, please let Mrs Ross or Mrs Abbott if you would like them back. If you don't want them back we will be happy to keep them as spares.

Year R dressing up: If you have any princess dressing-up shoes you would like to donate to Year R's dressing up box, please give them to Mrs Ross or Mrs Abbott.



Our Achievements!

We have so many talented children here at Chawton CE Primary School and we would love to share their successes and news from other events and clubs they participate in. If you have something to share and celebrate please send in your good news, preferably by email, to the school office. We are excited to hear all about it!

Congratulations to Tori on a successful first season with Aldershot & Farnham District Athletics Club, finishing at rank no. 1 in the Girls Under 11s. At the last competition of the summer on Sunday (Wessex Young Athletes) she finished 4th out of 37 in the 600m, and 9th out of 37 in the 75m sprint.



Dates for your diaries: Please note that for the majority of these events further details will be sent nearer the time. We will ensure that new dates, or any changed due to unforeseen circumstances, are in red.

Sharing Worship:

(Sharing our half term value)
 09.11.18 – Sharing Worship
 18.01.19 – Sharing Worship
 08.03.19 – Sharing worship
 03.05.19 – Sharing worship
 14.06.19 – Sharing worship

Sharing Assemblies:

(Certificates, achievements and some of our learning)
 28.09.18 – Sharing Assembly
 23.11.18 – Sharing Assembly
 01.02.19 – Sharing worship
 22.03.19 – Sharing worship
 23.05.19 – Sharing worship

Class Assemblies:

(Sharing topic learning from the half term)
 17.10.18 – Yew/Sycamore
 18.10.18 – Maple/Beech
 19.12.18 – Maple/Beech
 20.12.18 – Yew/Sycamore
 13.02.19 – Yew/Sycamore
 14.02.19 – Maple/Beech
 03.04.19 – Maple/Beech
 04.04.19 – Year 4 East Meon Assembly
 24.04.19 – Calshot Parent Assembly
 15.05.19 – Oak Class Assembly
 08.07.19 – Maple/Beech
 11.07.19 – Yew/Sycamore

Theme Weeks:

12.11.18 – Anti-Bullying Week (Mrs Mason leading)
 19.11.18 – Science Week (Mrs Ross leading)
 04.02.19 – Safer Internet Week (Miss Spencer leading)
 25.02.19 – Chawton Week – History focus (Mrs Andrews leading)
 04.03.19 – Book Week (Miss Blandford leading)
 20.05.19 – Technology/STEM Week (Mrs Ross leading)

Open Classrooms (3:15 – 4:00pm):

(A chance to share your child's learning in their classroom with them)
 04.10.18
 06.12.18
 06.02.19
 09.05.19
 20.06.19

Music Assemblies (2:45pm):

(Choirs and peripatetic musicians will perform to everyone)
 04.12.18
 25.03.19
 16.07.19

Inset Days:

07.01.19
 24.05.19
 03.06.19

Autumn 1

25.09.18 – 1:30pm – Prospective Parents Tour
 28.09.18 – Sharing Assembly
 04.10.18 – Open Classrooms – 3:15 – 4:00pm
 08.10.18 – Harvest festival – 9:30am
 10.10.18 – Prospective Parents Tour – 10am
 12.10.18 – School nurse for Year 6 children
 16.10.18 – Parents evening (3:30 – 6:30pm)
 17.10.18 – Yew/Sycamore Class Assembly
 17.10.18 – Parents evening (3:30 – 5:30pm)
 18.10.18 – Maple/Beech Class Assembly

Autumn 2

31.10.18 – School photos (portraits)
 08.11.18 – School Nurse – flu immunisations (YR-Y5)
 09.11.18 – Sharing Worship
 11.10.18 – Think Safe for YR6 (Alton Maltings) 12:00 – 2.30pm
 12.11.18 – Anti-Bullying Week (Mrs Mason leading)
 13.11.18 – Prospective Parents Tour – 1:30pm
 19.11.18 – Science Week (Mrs Ross leading)
 20.11.18 – National Takeover Day, EHDC for Year 6 pupils – 1:00 – 3:00pm
 23.11.18 – Sharing Assembly
 27.11.18 – Prospective Parents Tour – 9:30am
 04.12.18 – Music Assembly to parents – 2:45pm
 06.12.18 – Open Classrooms 3:15 – 4:00pm
 07.12.18 – CSSG Christmas Fair – 3:15 – 5:00pm
 12.12.18 – 2:00pm Nativity (Year R, Year 1 & Year 2) to parents
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 14.12.18 – Year 6 Ice-Skating Trip
 17.12.18 – R.E. Day
 18.12.18 – Christmas Jumper Day
 18.12.18 – Christmas Parties

18.12.18 – Christmas Dinner
19.12.18 – Class Assembly Maple/Beech
19.12.18 – Carol Service – 5:30pm – St Nicholas Church
20.12.18 – Class Assembly Yew/Sycamore
21.12.18 – Christmas Service 9:30am – St Nicholas Church

Other key dates:

01.03.19 – Women’s World Day of Prayer – Yr6 girls
07.03.19 – World Book day
27.03.19 – Easter play to parents 5:30pm
28.03.19 – Easter Play to parents 2:00pm
01.04.19 – 04.04.19 – Calshot
01.04.19 – 03.04.19 – East Meon
05.04.19 – Easter Service – 2:30pm and collection from church.
22.04.19 – BANK HOLIDAY
24.04.19 – KS2 SATs Meeting 3:15-3:45pm – Esme
25.04.19 – KS1 SATs Meeting 3:15 – 3:45pm – Kirsty
06.05.19 – BANK HOLIDAY
13.05.18 – SATS Week (Year 6)
14.05.19 – Class Photos
10.06.19 – Phonics testing (Year 1)
21.06.19 – CSSG Summer Fair
25.06.19 – Sports Day – 1:15pm on field
28.06.19 – Race for Life – 2:00pm
02.07.19 – Reserve Sports Day
16.07.19 – Year 6 production – 6:30pm
17.07.19 – Year 6 production – 6:30pm
22.07.19 – Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly – 2:00pm
22.07.19 – Year 6 Leavers’ BBQ
23.07.19 – Leavers’ service – 9:30am