

Chenies School Newsletter

Friday 29th November 2019

Headteacher's News

Christmas tree kindly donated by Van Hage

We are all looking forward to the Christmas Fair on Sunday and are grateful to Van Hage's Garden Centre for donating the Christmas tree in the hall. My thanks also go to Mrs Crouch and Mrs Thornberry for decorating it today.

Workshare Evening

It was really good to speak to so many of you yesterday evening and many of you commented on how much you enjoyed talking to the children about their work. Having spoken to the children today I know that they really enjoyed the opportunity to show their work to you and I was also struck by how much siblings enjoyed being able to visit each other's classrooms as well. Our next workshare evening will be on Tuesday 11th February 2020.

Rovings Book Fair

We are very excited to welcome Rovings book fair back on Wednesday 4th December from 8.30am – 4.45pm, please come and support the fair as the school will benefit from your sales. Credit cards will be accepted during the day.

Chiltern toy group

I would like to bring to your attention the Chiltern Toy Bank. I have been told they have received lots of donations and while donations are still welcome they are also looking for people to distribute Christmas Presents to. If you know anyone who would benefit from receiving support from them please ask them to register at www.chilterntoybank.org by Friday 6th December

Digital parenting leaflet

Your child has been given a Digital Parenting booklet today which has been provided by the Vodafone Foundation. It has a lot of useful information in it about ways you can communicate with your child about the digital world and how to keep them safe when using it. I would urge you to read it and talk to your children about the reasons for setting sensible boundaries.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Van Gogh	Leonardo McCall	Joseph Walton Dawes	Arran Silverstone
Monet	Renee Gardeva	Jackson Nicholls	Gracie Thompson
Hockney	Rosie Wakeman	Eshaan Mukku	Jessica Teruggi
Hepworth	Hollie Bladon	Vinisha Kumar	Emily Coleman

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE

Van Gogh – 96%	Monet – 92%
Hockney – 94%	Hepworth – 91%

INDIVIDUAL CLASS NEWS

Van Gogh Class News

We have had a busy week rehearsing our Christmas play and we're getting very excited to share this with you all.

PLEASE COULD YOU SEND IN COSTUMES BY LATEST WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2019

Reading

Please take advantage of the Book Shop visiting us on Wednesday 4th December 2019 from 8.30 – 4.45 in the hall.

They have some amazing books!

Please remember to write a note in your child's reading record every time you read with them.

Please remember that library books will be changed every Wednesday. I have been notified by the librarians that there are some children who have not returned their books. Please note that your child will not be able to bring another book home until they have returned ones borrowed previously.

Phonics: Please continue to work through the Jolly Phonics sounds, practice segmenting and blending to read and write CV and CVC words. This week we will continue to reinforce **l ll f ff s ss c k ck** and will be introducing **ch sh th ng nk**.

Tricky Words: Set 1/2/3/4 on the high frequency list

Literacy: Advent – Christmas

Maths: Introducing 2D shapes

Continue with creating repeated pattern using objects in our environment

Counting – Ordering and Recognising Numbers to 5/10/15/20

Looking at the value of a number and matching objects

One more & One less.

Days of the week

Topic: We will continue our Night & Day topic in January. Over the next few weeks we will be talking about the meaning of advent and talking about different celebrations.

REMINDER: Show & tell dates:

GREEN HOUSE	RED HOUSE	BLUE HOUSE	YELLOW HOUSE
x	x	x	x
6 th December 2019	x	x	x

REMINDER: Upcoming Events:

Stay & Play: Tuesday 3rd December 2019 @ 9.15

Last weekend baby Tinkerbell had a great time with Bryan. Let's see who the lucky person will be this week. Please remember she will have her own personal bag and a book with instructions explaining what you need to do. I hope you will use this opportunity to make the visit special so that your child can enjoy sharing their experiences with their peers on a Monday morning. Please note every child will get a turn to take her home.

Should you wish to discuss any of the above please feel free to come and see me.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet Class News

Next week it will be full steam ahead polishing our Christmas play performances in time for our dress rehearsal. Please make sure your child practises their lines at home.

In Maths we will be working on addition and subtraction. Year 1's will be using number facts to 10 and spotting patterns in numbers up to 100. Year 2's will be using number facts and multiples of 10 to work out how to add near multiples of ten.

In Literacy we will be starting some work based on Fictional books Silly Billy by Anthony Brown and Operation Night Monster by Paul Shipman. We will be exploring the characters in the books and discussing how they overcome their worries and fear. We will be writing letters and stories based on their own experiences.

We will begin to discuss Christmas traditions in RE.

Hockney Class News

Due to staff absence there is no Hockney class news this week.

Hepworth Class News

Next week is our assessment week. In English the children in year 6 will undertake their reading and SPAG assessments. We complete these half termly in year 6 as this gives the children an excellent understanding of how the tests run and a chance to practice the tests themselves - learning how to pace themselves, deal with harder questions effectively and checking answers. This helps them to feel much more confident when it comes to the SATs in May. The whole class will also do some independent writing which will form part of our ongoing assessment of their writing skills. It is a great chance for the children to show off what they have learned. Year 5 will do some comprehension work as well as editing and improving their writing from this week. We will also begin looking at Anne Frank's diary.

In Maths we will also have assessments for the year 6 children. The children will have the chance to answer a variety of questions in arithmetic and reasoning papers. As we have mentioned previously we have been really pleased with how well the children have worked in maths this term - they have all made good progress with their understanding of number and operations work we have done so far. We look forward to seeing this reflected in their test scores. Year 5 will be recapping and revising the areas we have covered so far.

In Science we are planning and making our own electrical Christmas decoration. We are reaching the end of our time on our Lindy Hop dances - the children are putting together their dance moves to create a routine.

We will continue with practicing our Christmas songs ready for the carol concert.

In RE we will be developing our understanding of diversity in Islam, Hinduism and Christianity.

In Computing we will be designing an air raid shelter to complete in Sketch Up.

If you're looking for something to do with the children at the weekend or in the run up to Christmas, Hughenden Manor have a 1940s themed Christmas event running between now and January. It promises 'wonderful decorations in a 1940s style made by staff and volunteers, with paper chains and pom-poms, lametta and rag wreaths. Re-purposing and re-using materials will be the order of the day, as it would have been during the war. An element of secrecy will pepper the sights and sounds in the Manor, reflecting the top secret map-making work that was carried out when Hughenden was requisitioned by the Air Ministry in 1941. Join a daily Manor tour to discover more about Hughenden's Second World War history."

This could be a great festive opportunity for the children who have loved this topic so much!

Diary Dates for 2019 – 2020 *new dates in blue*

Sunday 1 st December	PTA Christmas Fair 12pm – 3pm
Tuesday 3 rd December	EYFS Stay & Play 9am
Wednesday 4 th December	Rovings Bookshop in school – all day
Monday 9 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Tuesday 10 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Lunch Day
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Craft Day Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 16 th December	Whole School visit to Watersmeet Pantomime 1pm – 4.30pm
Tuesday 17 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm & 7pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Class Christmas Parties
Thursday 19th December	Term Ends 1.30pm

Monday 6th January	INSET DAY
Tuesday 7th January	Children Return to School
Friday 10th January	Hepworth Dodgeball at DCHS 1pm-3pm
Tuesday 21st January	Reception Dance at The Chalfonts Community College 12.30-2.30pm
Tuesday 11th February	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Wednesday 12th February	EYFS Stay & Read 9am
Mon 17th February - Fri 21st February	Half Term
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day (Dress up as a book character)
Friday 6th March	EYFS Spring Walk 9am
Wednesday 11th March	Hepworth Tag Rugby at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Friday 20th March	Mums in School Afternoon 12pm - 3.15pm
Monday 30th March	Mid-Year Reports will be sent home to parents
Tuesday 31st March	Hockney - Tri Golf at The Misbourne
Friday 3rd April	Term Ends at 1.30pm
Monday 20th April	Children Return to School
Wednesday 29th April	Monet - Athletics at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Thursday 30th April	Hepworth Parents Sex Education and PGL Information Evening
Tuesday 5th May	Hockney – Cricket at Chiltern Hills Academy
Friday 8th May	Early May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 12th May	Hockney –Swimming Gala 9am-11am
Monday 18th May-Friday 22nd May	Y5/6 PGL Residential Trip
Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May	Half Term
Tuesday 2nd June	EYFS Stay & Get Physical
Wednesday 3rd June	Monet Games day at The Misbourne 9.30am-2.30pm
Thursday 11th June	Work Share Evening 3.30-5pm Y5 Parents Secondary Transfer Information Evening 6pm
Thursday 25th June	Sports Day 1pm
Thursday 2nd July	Reserve Sports Day 1pm
Wednesday 8th July	KS2 Summer Production 2pm & 7pm
Thursday 9th July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Friday 10th July	EYFS Stay for Breakfast 9am End of Year Attainment Reports will be sent home
Friday 17th July	Leaver’s Assembly 11am School Picnic 12.15pm-1.15pm Term Ends for Children 1.30pm