

# Chenies School Newsletter

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

### Headteacher's News

Today is my last day at Chenies and I want to take this opportunity to say thank you. Yesterday's assembly was a happy occasion and one which I found moving. The children had worked hard and worked hard together - which is always when as a school we are at our best. None of us learns in isolation. So a big thank you to the staff and the children for such a memorable afternoon.

The last 4 years have been full of new experiences and of course a large part of that time was spent adapting to new patterns of learning due to the Covid -pandemic. Fortunately there are other, more positive memories!

Highlights of my time here have been:

First and foremost –the children!

Our Take One Picture success (Please do visit the National Gallery in the holiday!)

The development of the outdoor area and in particular the outdoor classroom

The installation of the sound and lighting system which has helped us all to enjoy music, and importantly to discover new music.

Our Platinum Jubilee Celebration Day

The School Residentials

These of course are just some of the highlights. What matters most are small acts of kindness and encouragement to one another and I am very grateful to have so many of those to remember the school community by.

I want to say a very big thank you for the whole school community for the welcome that was shown to me when I arrived and for the new experiences that have shaped the last four years. As they say in Wales - Diolch yn fawr - thank you very much.

I wish Chenies lots of continued happy times!

### Farewells

This time of year is always filled with mixed emotions as we have to say farewell to our Year 6 children and Ollie, Dylan, Jessica, Alice, Ewan and Gracie as they all move onto new schools. The leavers' assembly was a very emotional event this morning but it was a joy to celebrate so many achievements and we wish all the children who are leaving us well as they move onto their secondary schools.

We are also sorry that we have to say goodbye to Mrs Board, she has been a real asset to the school during her time here and we will all miss her constant enthusiasm, cheerfulness and care for the children but again she goes with our good wishes for a happy future in her new school.

### Thank You

On behalf of all the staff I would like to say an enormous thank you to you all for the many generous gifts and kind words of appreciation that you have given us. As a staff we really appreciate the thought that has gone into the gifts and feel fortunate to be able to work with such a caring community. We really enjoy and see it as a privilege to work with your children. Thank you.

### **The New Term - What to Bring to School**

All children need to bring a water bottle each day and packed lunch/coat if they need it.

We would like children in KS2 class to bring in their own named pencil case with the following items of stationery in:

- 2 HB writing pencils
- 2 navy blue handwriting pens (not biro)
- 1 30cm ruler
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 glue stick (this will need replenishing throughout the term)
- 1 sharpener (preferably with its own collecting pot)
- 1 rubber

#### **For marking/editing work:**

- 1 **purple** pen (biro/gel pen)
- 1 **green** pen (biro/gel pen)
- 1 **pink/red** pen (biro/gel pen)

We recommend the "*Bic 4 colours fun (not original) retractable ballpoint pen*" which has purple, green, pink and blue ink in one pen to save space.

#### **Optional but useful**

- highlighters
- 1 pack of colouring pencils
- Felt pens/gel pens for use in some lessons

Suzanne Powell  
Headteacher

#### **PTA**

Attached is PTA Newsletter summer.

### **Chenies & Latimer Produce Show – Saturday 9 September**

Please find attached the schedule for this year's Show, which now includes the entry form.

Please return all your entries by **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023**. Entries can be emailed at any time from now on, although this does not include photographs – it is important that this be received by the Wednesday as they are judged in advance of the Show.

Autumn club forms to return by Thursday **7<sup>th</sup> September 2023**.



# Happy Birthday



25<sup>th</sup> Charles

26<sup>th</sup> Arlo

28<sup>th</sup> Theia

30<sup>th</sup> July

3<sup>rd</sup> Aug Hari

5<sup>th</sup> August Eva

11<sup>th</sup> August Aaron

11<sup>th</sup> August Ciaran

Arthur L – 16th August

Rebecca C – 21st August

Tommy R – 21st August

Bryan L – 26th August

Ethan C – 27th August

Elora W – 29th August

Olivia B – 1st September

Pip – 2nd September

## DIARY DATES 2023 -2024

<b>Autumn Term 2023</b>	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Inset Day
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Inset Day
Tuesday 5 <sup>h</sup> September	Term Starts
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 30 <sup>TH</sup> October	Inset Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December @1.30pm	Term Ends
<b>Spring Term 2024</b>	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Inset Day
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Term Starts
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March @ 1.30pm	Term Ends
<b>Summer Term 2024</b>	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Term Starts
27 <sup>th</sup> May – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Terms
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Inset Day
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July @ 1.30pm	Term Ends