

Chenies School Newsletter

Friday 7th July 2023

Headteacher's News

KS2 Production

The children are working so hard in rehearsals and I know they are looking forward to performing to an audience next week. Please do order your tickets if you have not already done so. If you have ordered your tickets, please be assured that there will be a seat available for you. In the interests of saving paper and printing costs, we will not be sending home physical tickets, as I shall have a list on the door. If any parent of a child in KS1 would like to come and see the performance please contact the office as we have a few spare seats.

Staffing News

Congratulations to Mrs Board has been successful in obtaining a full time administrator's job and will be leaving us at the end of this term. We are now advertising for a part-time administrator (Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday) and a full time LSA. If you know anyone who would be interested in either of the roles please let them know we are recruiting.

Music Assembly

Next Friday during our assembly time we will be giving any child who plays an instrument the opportunity to perform a piece to the rest of the school. If your child is learning to play an instrument please encourage them to bring their instrument (we can supply a piano!) and music along to perform a piece for us.

Summer Clubs

This summer the Discover Bucks Museum are delighted to host a wonderfully humorous, hands-on exhibition combining art, science and engineering that will delight visitors of all ages. Mechanics Alive! celebrates the fascinating world of automata (beautifully hand-crafted mechanical sculptures) and displays them alongside hands-on science exhibits that show children how they work. Press a button and marvel as these mini masterpieces come to life. Enjoy garden play in the Museum's walled garden where you'll find a variety of activities and games for children to play with and explore. Plus, on selected days there will be special Make & Take Workshops inspired by the Mechanics Alive! exhibition for children to get creative.

The exhibition runs from Saturday 22 July - 2 September 2023.

www.discoverbucksmuseum.org/whats-on/mechanics-alive/

Please remember

- Friday 14th Film Club Premiere 3.30pm –all are welcome
- Tuesday 11th Monet Games Festival

Suzanne Powell

Happy Birthday



10th - Freddie

12th Marcel



STARS of the week

Van Gogh	Alfred	Casian
Monet	Freya	Senan
Hockney	Bryan	Olivia
Hepworth	Amelia	Evie

Weekly Attendance

We place great emphasis on excellent attendance and punctuality of our students. Please continue to ensure that your children attend school every day and on time.

Van Gogh	92%
Monet	97%
Hockney	87%
Hepworth	90%

Class News

Van Gogh

The children had a lovely morning in Monet Class they all came back buzzing at wanting to go back, which is a great sign. The countdown has started 9 ½ days to go!

Phonics:

The next few weeks is all about consolidating.

Week 1	said, so he, she, we, me, be	blending & segmenting CVCCs
Week2	have, like, some, come, was, you	blending & segmenting CCVCs & CVCCs
Week 3	were, there, little, one they, all, ar	
Week 4	do, when, out, what, my, her	
Week 5	Reading words ending 'est' contractions ending n't 've and words we don't say as we sound Reading contractions ending 'll and words ending 'ed'	

Reading:

It makes me very proud listening to the children choosing to read picture books and having the confidence to ask if they are not sure about a word.

Please continue to share books with the children! It is important now that you are introducing them to chapter books. **We will be collecting in all books Thursday 13th July 2023, please ensure all books are returned by then.**

Writing:

We are allowing the children to do free writing and letting the children decide what they would like to write.

Maths:

We are continuing to focus on solving mathematical addition, subtraction, writing number sentences and re-visiting doubling/sharing.

Show and Tell

- Thursday 13th July 2023: Red House

REMINDERS:

- Please ensure that your child has a hat in school.
- We are arranging a Pyjama Day – Teddy Bears Picnic with our buddies. I will get a text out to you as soon as I have spoken to Mrs Jones.
- Wednesday 19th July 8.15: EYFS Stay for breakfast.

Once again thank you for your ongoing support! Have a great weekend.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet

Next week in Monet Class, we are looking forward to watching the dress rehearsal of Hepworth's production and we have our Games at Dr Challoner's High School on Tuesday. Please refer to the google forms sent out for details about this.

During the rest of the week we will be finishing, checking and editing our own adventure stories from last week and reflect back on our progress in our writing throughout the year.

In maths, we will continue to revise key skills in the form of games, practical activities and puzzles.

Last week we were thinking about different jobs within the school community and wrote questions for various members of staff. We hope to receive some answers from those staff members to give us a better understanding of their jobs in school and discuss what we have found out.

In geography, we will also be thinking about how we can improve our local area. We will continue to develop our programming knowledge in computing by continuing to use and experiment with scratch junior. In art, we produced some lovely prints this week using our observational drawings of nature from the wildlife area. We will then annotate these in our art books and think of ways that we can develop them further.

In PSHE, we will be discussing ways of keeping safe at home, e.g. electrical appliances, fire safety and medicines.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

Hockney

English – We are coming to the end of our poetry unit in English. Children have really enjoyed looking at a range of poems and identifying how authors have used similes, metaphors and personification to capture the readers' interest. At the end of the week, we looked at expanded noun phrases and children had the opportunity to draft their own poem using *Haiku Triptych* as a model.

Maths – We have been consolidating our learning this week with Year 3 and Year 4. We looked at addition and subtraction and how to use our reasoning skills within our answers.

Science – This week Hockney class looked at the importance of nutrition and what animals (including humans) need to stay alive and healthy. We had a look at the Eatwell guide and identified the keys parts of a balanced diet. I was impressed with the contributions of the whole class and some of the children found the time to make me a healthy, balanced meal!



RE – Hockney are continuing to discuss other places of worship and children have had the opportunity to ask questions and listen to what others thoughts are.

PSHE – This week, we have explored side effects of drugs and medicine and the importance of reading labels and instructions. Next week we will learn about the risks of alcohol, e-cigarettes and vaping.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Moghaddam & Miss Shine

Hepworth

Next week is going to be a big one for Hepworth!!!

After many weeks of hard work, parents, pupils and guests will finally see the culmination of the children's efforts in their production of The Wizard of Oz.

The children will start with a dress rehearsal first thing on Tuesday morning, played out in front of the Key Stage 1. On Tuesday morning, we would ask that you bring your child to school as close to 8.30 am as you can. We appreciate that not everyone can manage this, but the more children we can get into their costumes early, the sooner we will be able to start.

The main performances will be on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, starting at 7.00 pm, please bring your child back to school by 6.30 pm, and we hope that you are able to come to one of the performances. We are sure you will be proud, and moved, by the effort and dedication of the children's work.

In addition to the production performances, on Wednesday Hepworth will be visiting St Clement Danes for a STEM Day. This will be a day of challenges relating to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths, and will be hosted by St Clement Danes staff, Science Oxford, and The Wellcome Trust.

Children should attend school as usual on the day, as transport to and from the venue has been arranged (so home time pick up will also be at Chenies). Parents will however, need to provide a packed lunch, as this will not be provided.

In between the varied events, children will continue looking at A Midsummer Night's Dream in English, and carry out investigations and reasoning challenges in Maths. Children will also be learning more about the history and use of UK coasts by the leisure industry. On Friday, in PSHE we will be looking at drug use and the media and in RE, we will be looking at how humans can live together. There will no more spellings on google classroom this term, I am really pleased with the effort children have put in this year!

We wish you all have a happy and relaxing weekend.

Mrs Jones and Miss Shine

DIARY DATES 2022 – 2023

Tuesday 11 th July	Monet Games Festival
Wednesday 12 th July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Wednesday 12 th July	Year 5 – STEM Challenge Day @ St Clement Danes School
Thursday 13 th July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Monday 17 th July	End of Year Attainment Reports will be sent home
Wednesday 19 th July	EYFS Stay for breakfast Leavers Barbecue 5.30pm - 8pm
Friday 21st July	11am Leaver's Assembly 12pm Whole School Picnic 1.30pm Term Ends

DIARY DATES 2023 -2024

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