# **Chenies School Newsletter Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

# **Headteacher's News**

# Spanish afternoon

The children thoroughly enjoyed their first opportunity to work in their houses this week as they all participated in an afternoon introducing them to Spanish. The children sang in Spanish, learnt how to clap flamenco style, and made flags, fans and castanets. The children in KS2 will be starting Spanish Lessons next week and we are hoping to introduce a small amount to the children in the EYFS and KS1 As well. This will be complimentary to the after school Spanish Club so if you would like your child to participate in that please do return the attached form as soon as possible.

#### **Break time snacks**

The children in EYFS and KS1 are provided with free fruit and vegetables to eat during the morning break. Please can I remind parents that children in KS2 are allowed to bring in additional fruit or vegetables to eat at morning break but not any other type of snack.

## PE change of date

Due to an unforeseen change of circumstances Mr Malik our sports coach from The Elms will be in school on a Wednesday rather than a Thursday. From next week therefore all children in school will be doing P.E. on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school on a Wednesday and other days as advised by the class teachers.

#### **French Horns**

28 French Horns were delivered to school on Monday and Hockney class have enjoyed their first class music lesson with Mrs Silsby from the Buckinghamshire Music trust.

### Mind-Up

Next week the children will be starting Brain Breaks three times a day. This will involve the children participating in a short listening and breathing exercise which will help them to quieten their minds and get ready to learn. The children have been introduced to the exercise this week in their Mind-Up lesson and from Monday the whole school will be participating in a brain break first thing in the morning, after assembly and after lunch.



# **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Van Gogh	Theodora	Joseph	Frederick
	Vose	Walton Dawes	Sowden
Monet	Harry	Teddy	Evie
	Moore	Wayth	Silverstone
Hockney	Hattie	Dexter	Anna
	Brown	Jemmett	Powell
Hepworth	Ella	James	Amber
	Thornberry	Dalkin	Schulein

# **WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE**

Van Gogh – 99%	Monet – 96%
Hockney – 97%	Hepworth – 97%

# INDIVIDUAL CLASS NEWS

# Van Gogh

This week the children have been learning to segment and blend simple words. We have also been thinking about which part of our brain helps us to be mindful and unmindful.

**Phonics**: We will be introducing the following sounds G O C K throughout the week and continue learning how to segment and blend simple words using all sounds learnt to date:

E.g. i-n (in) a-t (at) c-a-t (cat) k-i-t (kit) g-o-d (god) m-a-n (man) p-o-t (pot) s-a-d (sad) etc.

Tricky Words: A (a) – a cat on a mat. I – I am going to school. The (the) – the dog is big.

At the end of next we will be sending home a pack to help you start working with your child on phonics, reading and number.

Literacy: We will be practicing writing our names and orally segmenting & blending words.

Maths: Counting and Recognising Numbers to 5/10/15/20 - Days of the week

<u>Topic:</u> Our new topic is Autumn & Harvest – We will be looking at the changes in our environment and learning the importance of Harvest and learning a song for the Harvest assembly.

Mind Up – This week we will taking our Brain Breaks three times a day.

Key words Pre-Frontal Cortex – Amygdala – Hippocampus

## **REMINDERS: Show & tell dates:**

GREEN HOUSE	RED HOUSE	BLUE HOUSE	YELLOW HOUSE
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4 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	11 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	18 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	25 <sup>th</sup> October 2019

Stay for an Autumn Walk: Tuesday 16th October 2019 @ 9.15 – 10.45

# Dates for your diary:

11.10.19 | Harvest Assembly @ 2.15

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

We have now completed all the workshops. I hope you found them useful and would like to thank you for your support.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

## Monet

**Literacy:** We will continue reading Who's Our New teacher and Aaaarrgghh Spider! Our focus will be on continuing to develop inference skills. In writing we will be writing our own diary entries.

#### Maths:

Year 1 will be measuring length with non-standard units and ordering different lengths. Make sensible estimations, stating whether something is shorter or longer. They will estimate using metres and find items longer and shorter than 1m. They will be finding lines of symmetry and creating symmetrical patterns.

Year 2 will be measuring length to the nearest centimetre. They will also be recognising whole, half and quarter turns, both clockwise and anti-clockwise. They will investigate right angles and follow and give instructions involving position, direction and movement including left and right.

**Topic:** We will be talking about religious Symbols and Rosh Hashana. In computing we will be continuing our work on using the internet safely and in science we will be looking at ways to keep healthy.

Reminder: New date: There will be a reading workshop for parents on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 9am

# **Hockney**

Next week in Hockney class, the children will continue looking at place value in maths, developing a deeper understanding of how a number's value changes when multiplied or divided by 10, 100 or 1000. In addition the children will be learning more about decimal and negative numbers.

In English we will finish with the book Storm by Kevin Crossley-Holland, by writing a short ghost story with dialogue.

In science, the children will continue looking at animals and humans. We will continue looking at the human body and how it works.

In computing, the children are currently learning about online safety. They will be learning about online advertisements and how to be aware what they are and how to identify them.

# **Hepworth**

We have been delighted with the writing produced by the class this week. They have written a new part to the story 'Friend or Foe'. Next week we will complete our reading of the story and explore the final chapters. We will read, discuss and explore through writing of different genres.

In Maths we will begin the week learning about and consolidating our understanding of Roman numerals. We will explore the numerals, use them in calculations and solve reasoning problems that use them. Later in the week our focus will turn to multiplying and dividing by multiples of 10 and identifying the order of sets of decimal numbers, placing them on a number line, using place value.

In other areas, we will begin our learning of Spanish, continue to plan a podcast and begin to explore diversity in religions. Our WW2 topic work focus will be on digging for victory, where we will explore the phrase and develop an understanding of how and why allotments needed to be used during this time.

In science we will continue to find out about our hearts and investigate heart rate changes.

# Date for the diary - Thursday 10th October 5.30pm

We would like to welcome all parents of Hepworth class to come along to this session. This will be an opportunity for us to share with you the expectation in Upper KS2 (years 5 & 6) in English and Maths.

We will talk you through what we cover across the children's time in this phase in order for them to be prepared for their end of Key stage statutory tests (SATS) and to allow them to be ready to access the secondary school curriculum when they leave us.

This workshop will provide you with an insight into the work in Hepworth; what we cover, how we teach and what the assessment process entails.

We hope to see many of you there.

# **Diary Dates for 2019 - 2020**

Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Hockney Football at The Misbourne 1-3pm
Friday11 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest assembly 2.15pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	AGM Meeting in the school hall @ 7.30pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Secondary Transfer Test results day
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Hepworth Basketball at Chalfont Community College
	12.30pm-2.30pm
	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	PTA Halloween School Disco
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening 5.00pm-8.00pm
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	EYFS Stay and Share - Autumn Walk 9.00am
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Half Term
November	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Monet Multiskills at DCHS 9.30am-11.30am
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations for children in school
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day Assembly 10.45
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception Winter Olympics at The Chalfonts Community
	College 9.30am-12pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fair 12pm – 3pm
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	EYFS Stay & Play 9am
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch Day
Friday 13th December	Christmas Craft Day
	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School visit to Watersmeet Pantomime
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm
	KS2 Carol Concert 7pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas Parties
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Term Ends 1.30pm

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET DAY
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Children Return to School
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	Hepworth Dodgeball at DCHS 1pm-3pm
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Reception Dance at The Chalfonts Community College 12.30-
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Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS Stay & Read 9am
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February-Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Half Term
February	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (Dress up as a book character)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS Spring Walk 9am
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Hepworth Tag Rugby at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Mums in School Afternoon 12pm-3.15pm
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Mid-Year Reports will be sent home to parents
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Hockney - Tri Golf at The Misbourne
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Term Ends at 1.30pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Children Return to School
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Monet - Athletics at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Hepworth Parents Sex Education and PGL Information
	Evening
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Hockney – Cricket at Chiltern Hillls Academy

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Early May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Hockney –Swimming Gala 9am-11am
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May-Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Y5/6 PGL Residential Trip
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May-Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	EYFS Stay & Get Physical
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Monet Games day at The Misbourne 9.30am-2.30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Work Share Evening 3.30-5pm
	Y5 Parents Secondary Transfer Information Evening 6pm
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day 1pm
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day 1pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Summer Production 2pm
	KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS Stay for Breakfast 9am
	End of Year Attainment Reports will be sent home
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Leaver's Assembly 11am
	School Picnic 12.15pm-1.15pm
	Term Ends for Children 1.30pm