



Chilton Foliat Primary School Newsletter

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Cor et Mentem Colere Nitimur
'We strive to improve heart and mind'

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and I hope all at Chilton Foliat Primary School have had a very Happy New Year. It was wonderful to see the children arriving on the first day back and what a special and extra Christmas present they found waiting on the playground. With thanks to the Friends and to all our families who support their fund raising activities, we have a new set of playground markings which the children love! I would like to welcome back to school, the whole school teaching team who assure me they are rested and raring to go! A special welcome to Mr Hughes, our new class teacher in Muntjac Class and new PE lead. I am delighted to say that all the children have extended a warm welcome have made Mr Hughes feel part of the team from the "get go".

Mrs Katie Turner

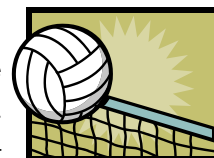
Out and About

The new year brings with it some challenges for our children on the sporting front. As the year progresses, Mr Hughes is organising our participation at a number of cluster events,. First up is Handball and Tag Rugby for KS2. We are also beginning rehearsals for participation at a cluster dance festival in March. Also our Year 1's and 2's have just started swimming lessons at Hungerford Leisure Centre

Providing further enrichment opportunities in music, Mrs Jepson is organising Year 4/5 participation at a professional music workshop, "Apollo 5" involving 300 children from across the county who will learn to sing and perform in Acapella.

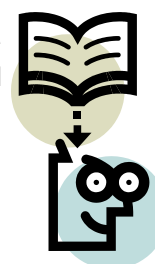
Mrs Pinnegar is taking her Year 5/6 class out to Baylab, an opportunity to enjoy and learn from a cosmetic chemistry session and Mrs Gibson is already beginning to plan for transition into Reception Class, working together with our local nursery and pre- school settings.

For further information about what your children will be enjoying as they continue to learn this term, please look at your child's class page on the school's website.



Chilton Foliat Community Club House

Fundraising for the Community Club House has continued to be very successful over the holiday period, and we are delighted that more than £60k has been raised for this essential project, including an impressive contribution from our "Grow a Fiver" project (which has been featured in the local press). Well done to all our young entrepreneurs, an example of a "Can Do" attitude if ever there was one. More on this and other school priorities will be shared in a letter from governors coming out very soon.



School Parent Forum

Beginning in February, I will be holding termly School Parent Forums. An opportunity for a small number of parents and carers to discuss and share ideas on school development and improvement with me. The first of these is to take place on **Wednesday 13th February 2019** between **9.00am and 10.00am**. If you are interested in taking part, please email the office and we will collate a list from which a panel of between 4 and 6 representatives will be selected for each forum. A forum of this nature can only work effectively with a small group, working to a set agenda and having agreed a set of principles. Minutes from each forum will be circulated via the website.

Annual School Report – Tuesday 5th March 2019

The school is always looking to improve the ways in which it engages with parents/carers, to enable a better understanding of the learning journey of their children. As a result, class teachers for Year groups 1-6 will be writing their formal annual reports mid-year, to be sent out on Tuesday 5th March 2019. With a shared understanding of how well your child (ren) is/are progressing mid-year, parents/carers will be better able to support on-going progress to the end of the year. I will be writing a separate letter explaining how progress and attainment are going to be reported, available very shortly.

And finally,

It is great to see the children looking smart and ready to learn when they come into school. If I could remind our parents/carers to make sure that proper school uniform is worn at all times and each item is clearly labelled. A cosy winter coat will also ensure that the children can get out at every playtime opportunity. Many thanks for your support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

January

18th Christingle service and workshops
23rd Walk Safe for years 1, 3, and 6
25th Movies and Munchies Evening

February

14th Break up for half term
14th Valentines Disco
15th TD Day
25th Children back to school

March

5th Report to Parents Years 1-6
7th World Book Day
15th Red Nose Day ???
25th Parents Meeting EYFS Year R only
29th Mothers Day Tea organised by The Friends

April

4th Easter Egg Hunt organised by The Friends
4th Easter Bonnet Parade at 10.00am
5th Easter Church Service at St Mary's Church
5th End of Term

May

6th Bank Holiday
7th Beginning of SATs for KS1 - Timetable to be confirmed
13th KS2 SATs week
24th Break up for Half Term

June

3rd Children back to school

July

5th Sports Day
12th Reserved Sports Day
15th Beginning of Whole School Themed Week (15th to 19th inclusive)
16th End of Term Progress Summery Report Years 1-6
19th Open Afternoon
24th Leavers Service at St Mary's Church, 2.00pm.
All welcome

This term's Christian Value is:

Courage