



Chilton Foliat Primary School Newsletter

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'With thankfulness, courage and love, we strive to improve heart and mind'

Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst". John 4:13

Dear Parents and Carers,

Nearly holiday time! It is also time to say goodbye to our super Year 6's of 2020. I am sure a sparkling future lies before you, full of exciting challenges, new friendships and new opportunities. Take our values with you, thankfulness, courage and love and you will be sure to succeed in whatever you do.

We also need to say a few more, fond farewells. To Edward, who is leaving us to enjoy a new educational opportunity. Just like our Year 6's, take our values with you Edward, enjoy meeting new friends, work hard and have fun! We are also saying goodbye to Mr Hughes. We all hope you continue to progress in a profession which you are clearly made for.

Talking about our values, I would like to say how truly thankful I am that I have such a dedicated, professional and supportive team to work with. I am also blessed to work alongside an encouraging, proactive and yet challenging (in a positive way) Governing Body.

COVID aside, we must remember and take great pride in the successes we have enjoyed this year: the completion of our building project, the new club house and classroom: our Ofsted **GOOD** outcome and the quality of the report that was written as a result.

Whilst I have given my thanks to all my colleagues, it is because of our families... because of you... your support, your love of the school and your courageous commitment to continue to build an exciting and progressive educational future for all our children, that I must give my greatest thanks.

Have a lovely summer holiday and we are looking forward to welcoming you all back to school on Thursday 3rd of September.

Take care, with thankfulness courage and love. Mrs Turner

The Friends

The Friends would like to say a big thank you to all those who bought virtual balloons to support our slightly unusual balloon race fundraiser! Exceptional times call for creative thinking and it was great to see so many families getting involved and keeping track of the balloons as they flew around their virtual island. Congratulations to the winning family The Wyatts whose balloon 'Party' travelled as far as Madrid!

We raised a whopping £375 with £281.25 going to the school.

Oxenwood – A report from Mrs Pinnegar

Year 6 pupils were given the opportunity to attend Oxenwood last Friday. The weather was certainly on our side and the pupils were absolutely ecstatic at having the day to spend together, completing archery, camp fires and den building. The Year 6 pupils made Chilton Foliat School extremely proud by demonstrating a lot of resilience and positive attitude, even when they had water thrown over them by Geoff, to see how waterproof their dens were!

As an extra surprise, Emily allowed the pupils to make their own bread, which they wrapped round the end of willow to toast over the fires, this was rounded off with a serving of honey or jam, which the Year 6's relished, judging by the state of their faces! This was swiftly followed by roasted marshmallows, which were consumed equally as quickly! As always, Emily and Geoff were very kind and enthusiastic, giving the pupils plenty of time to chat throughout the whole day.



Everyone agreed, the day went far too quickly but it was fantastic fun!

Year 6 Leavers

Our Year 6 Leavers Service is available to view on our website under the Latest News Section. Our super, "Super 6's" are to be congratulated for devising and presenting their final thoughts, special skills and prayers. We have all been super impressed with the way they have taken responsibility for their service and to have delivered it in a very meaningful and moving way. I am sure our Year 6's would like to thank

Mrs Pinnegar and Mrs Armstrong for all the support they have received over the last two years and to Mrs Pinnegar especially for helping them to prepare for their transition to secondary school.

Goodbye to our Super Sixes!



Reading throughout the summer – Summer Reading Challenge

We have advertised this year's Summer Reading Challenge in previous newsletters and on the website, which I hope you have read and begun. One of the activities is to take part in an Extreme Reading Challenge. You are invited to send a photograph of you reading in an

unusual or unexpected place, in a funny costume or with a reading buddy, together with a short description of what's going on, to:

www.summerreadingchallenge@readingagency.org.uk



Be sure to send the photograph to me at:

Talktomrsturner@chiltonfoliat.wilts.sch.uk so that we can create a wonderful display for all to see and share.

I am sure you are all looking forward to a break from the routine of home school learning. What I would ask however, is that you keep on

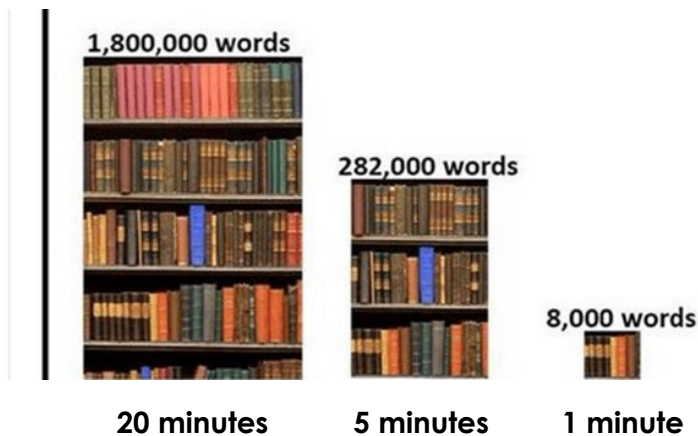
reading daily, with your children. Studies show that

if a child reads with an adult 20 minutes each day in an average school year, this equals to a word acquisition count of 1,800,000



words. Conversely if a child only reads for 5 minutes each day with an adult, the word count reduces to a fraction of that total.

Reading really is the key to a whole life time of learning and the more words we have to explain, describe, discuss, create and communicate, the better.



A few interesting facts and figures.....

Since partial school closure, the everyday organisation for school has been a little different. We have all had to make adjustments to our normal routines and no more so than in the office. A huge thank you to Mrs Bond, Mrs Plank and Dr Morgan for their amazing contribution to keep the school running and everybody else sane. Just to give you a flavour ...

The admin and finance team have had to process, sift and disseminate:

- 208 separate guidance documents received from Gov.UK, the DfE, the Local Authority and Public Health England (Wiltshire)
- 600 attachments sent with above guidance
- 800 links to open and read held within the above guidance
- 280 School Comms messages out to our families
- 460 COVID related documents created for school use
- 1200 individual home school learning documents uploaded onto our website.

End of Term at Chilton Foliat.
Have a great summer holiday, we can't wait to see you all in September!



Everything growing in the garden



It has been great to be back, even for a little while



Fallow bubble designing and flying super-hero kites



This term's Christian value is:

Love