



**Friday, 20 April 2018**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### 23-27 APRIL

Year 6 Booster classes will continue as planned this week.

#### Monday 23 April (St George's Day)

Castleton Bikeability (pm)  
Football match v Allenton Primary (away)

#### Tuesday 23 April

Castleton Bikeability (pm)

#### Wednesday 25 April

Football (am)  
Y3/4 Sports Hall Athletics (pm)  
Dovedale Bikeability (pm)  
2.45 pm PTFA meeting – all welcome  
Rocksteddy Assembly (pm)

#### Thursday 26 April

Year 5 Parents' Lunch at 12.30 pm (sign up on ParentPay)  
Dovedale Bikeability (pm)  
Y5/6 Netball match v Derwent & Roe Farm schools (home)

All other clubs will go ahead as planned. Parents will be notified by text if there are any significant changes to an event.

## INSET DAYS FOR 2018-2019

The following dates have been agreed:-

Thursday 6 September 2018  
Friday 7 September 2018  
Friday 26 October 2018  
Friday 12 April 2019  
Monday 17 June 2019

Summer Term Dates are [here](#), including notes to explain the various events.

## Upcoming Educational Visits

Staff would be grateful for any offers of parental help on the following visits. Please let your child's class teacher if you are able to help – thank you.

Year 3 Visits to Derby Museum on 15, 16, 17 & 18 May - [click here for details](#).

Year 5 Visits to Derby Jamia Mosque on 15 & 16 May - [click here for details](#).

Year 4 Visits to the Sikh Temple on 13 & 14 June - [click here for details](#).

Information about all educational visits is on the school website and payment should be made through your ParentPay account. ParentPay have recently introduced their 'Trips Module' which enables us to collect all the information we need from you to manage our school visits. This includes your consent, emergency contact details and any other information specific to the trip.

## Year Group Pages

Please check the relevant Year Group Page on the school website for further details about homework and events in your child's year.

## Come on CJS!

We wish our school football team well as they take on Oakwood Junior tonight after school. Supporters are very welcome! Come on the lads!

## Safeguarding Alert

**Fortnite** is a popular video game, including a mode which involves a battle situation until the death and one player remains. The game is available on many different platforms, with an age restricted to 12+.

There are concerns in the national press about the effects of long term use of such games, plus reports of accounts being hacked. As this game features live chat and texts, it is very likely that unsuitable adults are using this site for grooming vulnerable young people.

We understand that a number of CJS pupils may be using this game. I urge parents to check their child's account and usage. In a national poll, nearly 50% of parents expressed concerns regarding this game.

**Roblox** is a similar gaming platform which has options for live chat. There is an article in the local press that reports parental concerns about young people being groomed via this game.

I do believe that the use of online games and apps can be very dangerous for young people and feel it is vital for parents to supervise and monitor what their child is doing online. Let's all work together to keep our children safe. If you have any worries at all, please contact us at school.

### Could your class achieve 100% attendance?

Well done to Edale and Hope classes who managed to achieve 100% attendance all week. That means every child attended school every day which is a fantastic achievement. Classes with 100% attendance receive a gold star and everyone gets a Headteacher Sticker. I wonder which classes can do the same?

### Be Green all week!

During last week Chatsworth Class were rewarded in assembly as all the children stayed Green all week, with no yellow or red cards. It is great to see

a whole class working together in this way to achieve very high standards of behaviour. Keep up the good work, Chatsworth!

Could your class be Green all week?

### St George's Day

We are looking forward to St George's Day on Monday 23 April. We plan to have a few minutes extra playtime. St George will be the focus for the assembly on Tuesday, so see what you can find out about our patron saint.

### England Roses

If you haven't watched the last quarter of the Commonwealth Games netball final between England and Australia, then you have missed a treat! The team came back from 2 goals behind to win in the final second. We watched some clips in assembly last week and reflected on the inspirational teamwork and skill of the ladies. Well done England!

### Year 6 Activity Week

The information has gone out to all Year 6 pupils involved in the Activity Days from Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Please complete the necessary paperwork and make your payment on ParentPay. There will be a meeting on 22nd May at 6.00 pm for all parents of Year 6 to outline the organisation of Activity Week.

### Mrs Taylor

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Taylor on the birth of Florence Lily Taylor, weighing in at 5lbs 15oz. Mother and baby are doing well and we wish them every blessing with their new baby girl.

### Rocksteddy

Next week, in assembly on Wednesday, we are having a visit from Rocksteddy music group who are going to entertain us with some rock music, which should be great fun.

## Year 3 Roman Theme Day

All Year 3 had a great day on Monday, doing activities related to the theme of The Romans. A highlight of the day was making Roman shields.

Here are some of Riber Class with their own shields.



## Mrs Slack (Office Manager Role)

After nearly 25 years serving the pupils and parents of Chellaston Junior School, Mrs Slack will be retiring at the end of the Summer Term. Mrs Slack has been the friendly, efficient and very capable first port of call for many parents over the years. She has been a central cog in supporting staff to ensure the school runs smoothly.

She will be greatly missed by staff, parents and pupils. The school will be advertising for a new Office Manager to replace Mrs Slack (that can't be possible!) and work at the hub of a thriving school in a very busy office environment. The job will be advertised on Derby City Council's website.

## Swimming Gala

Miss Ballington has been busy organising the swimming gala. Over 70 pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 have now had letters regarding this event, which is due to be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June at Repton School. The children are very excited and we are looking forward to the day.

## Year 5 Bikeability

Over the next few weeks, Year 5 classes have the opportunity to participate in a Bikeability Project organized by Mr Gadsby. Next week, it is Castleton on Monday and Tuesday afternoon, then Dovedale on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. Letters have gone out to the relevant classes this week.

## Academy Update

When the four schools in Chellaston first got together to discuss working more collaboratively, the Heads, Chairs and Deputies spent time to consider the vision for our schools in a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT). The vision was summarised as follows:

*"Life is a journey and nobody's path is certain in this rapidly changing world. Together we are stronger. We will guide and inspire you along the way. When you let go of our hand, you and I will know that you will choose the path that is best for you. Let the journey begin."*

We feel this speaks to us of a journey from age 3-18 and beyond. We hope that the schools can guide and inspire our young people to be the very best that they can be. Further updates will be sent out to parents as the term progresses.

## Parent Governor

We are still looking for one parent governor. It is not too late to express an interest, so if anyone is interested I would welcome the opportunity to discuss the role with you. Please don't feel you need extensive qualifications for the role; we need parents with a range of skills who are enthusiastic about supporting the work of the school.

## Hall Extension

The new car park is nearly finished. The foundations of the hall extension are now in. Next week, the contractors will start to erect the structure for the extension. Work is coming along well!