



Friday, 4 May 2018

THE WEEK AHEAD

7 – 11 MAY

Year 6 Booster classes will continue as planned this week.

Monday 7 May

SCHOOL CLOSED (BANK HOLIDAY)

Wednesday 9 May

School Council Meeting 12 noon to 12.30 pm

Thursday 10 May

Football Plus 10.00 am to 12 noon at Willows Sports Centre

Year 4 Football Festival 1.00 – 4.00 pm at Moorways Sports Centre

Y5/6 Netball Matches v Cavendish Close and Homefields (at CJS)

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

[School term and holiday dates](#) – click on the link for these.

Educational Visits

Y5 Visits to Derby Jamia Mosque (15 & 16 May)

Y3 Visits to Derby Museum (15, 16, 17 & 18 May)

Y4 Visits to the Gurdwara (13 & 14 June)

Y6 Activity Days (20, 21 & 22 June)

Y6 Residential to Abernant Lakes (20, 21 & 22 June)

Please note that details for all of these visits can be accessed [here](#) and that payment should be made via your ParentPay account.

Information on Upcoming Events

Chellaston Academy are once again hosting a **PrimaryFest** on Friday 6th July. This is an event for pupils who play musical instruments, in Years 4, 5 and 6. It is also an opportunity for pupils to take part in drama activities (this is for Year 6 only, due to limited spaces). The day gives the students an opportunity to work with music and drama teachers at Chellaston Academy, finishing with an informal performance.

The Academy are inviting pupils who play one of the following instruments: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, cornet, trombone, tenor horn, euphonium, baritone, violin, cello and the acoustic guitar to apply. [Information and Application Form.](#)

Holiday activities for May 28 – June 1 – click on the link - [Cycle Derby Information](#)

Derby Book Festival

Children and Family Programme

1 – 9 June. Enjoy Derby's special Festival events for children and families by clicking on the link - [Derby Book Festival](#)

Dinner Money

Can we please ask parents to check on their ParentPay accounts and ensure dinner money is up-to-date, as office staff have to spend a considerable amount of time chasing up payments. It is Governor Policy not to allow children to have a school dinner when their account is more than 2 weeks in arrears. Thank you for your co-operation.

PTFA Spring Discos

Thursday 24th May. Following the success of the Valentine's Discos, we will continue to open all three discos up to any year group. Please log on to your ParentPay account and select the disco your child wants to attend (we suggest they check with their friends before you book, so that they pick the right one for them). Tickets will go on sale on Monday afternoon, priced £2. Refreshments and glo-sticks will be available at each disco (suggested maximum spend of £3).

Disco 1 5.00 – 6.00 pm

Disco 2 6.15 – 7.15 pm

Disco 3 7.30 – 8.30 pm

ESafety

Over the past few months, a rapidly increasing number of children are playing the game 'Fortnite', making its Battle Royale mode "the most played online game in the world." As with all online gaming, there are a number of risks that need to be considered in order to ensure children and young people are effectively protected.

Click on the following link to find out **6 Top tips for Parents**, as well as other important safety information from National Online Safety:-

[What parents need to know about Fortnite Battle Royale](#)

Silly Behaviour

There have been some playground incidents recently relating to wrestling (WWE). We have reminded all pupils that any sort of "play fighting" or "wrestling" is not appropriate for the playground. Such behaviour can result in children getting hurt accidentally and on some occasions can get beyond "play fighting". The key advice is "keep your hands and feet to yourself". Any child involved in play fighting may receive a Red Star. Thank you for your support.

Parent Governor

We had three nominations for the role of Parent Governor which meant we didn't need to hold elections. The process is now being finalised and we will announce the new governors shortly. It is great to know that the school has support from parents in this way which means the governing body now has a full complement, in line with our constitution.

Polling Day

Thank you to all parents for your co-operation on 3rd May. We needed to use the gates at the other end of the playground as the Children Centre needed to stay open for polling.

Bikeability

Year 5 children have now finished their Bikeability training with Cycle Derby. I am sure they will remember to use the skills they have learnt and stay safe when cycling. Thank you to parents for ensuring that children brought their bikes to school on the correct days. Thank you Mr Gadsby and the Year 5 staff for organising these sessions.

Academy Update

The four schools in Chellaston have received confirmation from the Regional Schools Commissioner that we have approval to proceed with the formation of a Multi Academy Trust (MAT). This is very good news for the local community and will enable the school communities to work more closely together. We will continue to update parents on the process during this term.

Bank Holiday

A reminder to parents that school is closed on Monday 7 May as it is Bank Holiday.

I wish all our families a pleasant weekend. Enjoy the good weather!

