CHELLASTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

WEEKLY BULLETIN



Friday, 12 October 2018

THE WEEK AHEAD

15 - 19 October

Monday Harvest Festival Y4 Assembly

Tuesday Y3, 4 and 5 Immunisations

Wednesday Hot House Club Cancelled

Friday Charity Non-uniform Day

Bookings for Parents' Meetings

close

Deadline for deposits for Y6

Residential Trip

Parents' Meetings

There are still a few places left for Parents' Meetings. Booking closes on Friday 19 October and you can find all the information you need here or by clicking on to the Parents' Meetings tab on the website. Please ensure if your child is in Y5 or Y6, that you book two five minute appointments, even if your child has the same teacher for numeracy and literacy.

Y6 Residential

Details for the Y6 Residential are available here. A deposit of £50 is needed by **19 October** to secure a place. A reminder that alternative activity days will be available for children who do not go on the residential trip.

Bug Club Coffee Mornings

This week we welcomed nearly 200 parents who attended our Bug Club sessions. It was brilliant to see the hall so full of parents and children reading together. Thank you so much for your support.

Harvest Festival, Monday 15 October

Y4 are very busy rehearsing for their Harvest Assembly. A reminder to all Y4 parents that they are invited to the Assembly in the school hall on Monday (15 October) at 2.15pm.

We would be very grateful if every child could bring something for our Harvest Display. Gifts of all types of food in packets, tins, bottles as well as fresh fruit and vegetables are all welcome. Please send in your produce on the morning of Monday 15 October – children will be able to take their gifts straight to the hall from the playground. All produce is donated to the Padley Centre in Derby. We hope you will support this worthy cause.

The PTFA is back up and running!

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA AGM on 12 October. The PTFA is now back up and running and planning lots of exciting events for the pupils of CJS.

Y3 Walk around Chellaston

Y3 classes have enjoyed their walk round Chellaston this week as part of their studies of the local area.

Y6 Rivers Trip

Last week, Y6 had a great time on the river trips to Matlock Bath. They spent time investigating the habitats to see if they were suitable for otters by looking for creatures, drawing pictures, measuring the flow of the river and checking the temperature. There were a few wet feet from enthusiastic children but, as everyone was well prepared with spare socks and shoes, this just added to the fun. One child emptied his wellies 6 times! The reports from parents have been this was the best trip ever and the children were impeccably behaved and a credit to CJS and their parents. Thank you to all the

parents who gave up their time to come with us - we really appreciate this. In school we have completed follow up work.

World Mental Health Day

This week in assembly we have been thinking about World Mental Health Day and how important it is to talk about your feelings. We recognise that we all may feel a) happy, b) things are OK, c) things are difficult – at various times. We shared some ideas and agreed we need to help each other. Here are our Top Tips for when we find things difficult:

- 1. Stay calm
- 2. Breathe
- 3. Talk to a friend
- 4. Focus on now
- 5. Ask for help

Please encourage your child to talk about their feelings and the top tips above may help.

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!

Rehearsals for Mary Poppins are underway for children in Y5 and Y6; there is an excited buzz around CJS!

A record number of about 70 children initially signed up to be part of this year's school production. Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's "Mary Poppins Jr." has proven to be a very popular choice. Whilst you may see some similarities with the Disney film, this show is based on the stage version.

Following a mammouth round of initial auditions last week, here is a message from our Director, Miss Fogg:

"A huge thank you to everyone who auditioned for Mary Poppins - everyone should be very proud of themselves. It has been very difficult to choose the Principals. For anyone who is not on the list, you are going to be very important, as there are lots of little bits of parts we can all play in the show. As I always say, a great chorus is what holds the show together. I'm looking

forward to lots of fun and commitment from everyone. Here's to a Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious show!"

Friday 19 October - Wear it Pink, Blue, Red or White - Non Uniform day

The children are encouraged to wear nonuniform to help raise money for various worthy charities: Wear Pink (For Breast Cancer) Blue (for men's cancer), or Red and White (For Indonesia)

We probably all know someone close to our families who has suffered with cancer. The terrible Tsunami has destroyed homes in Indonesia and many people have died. We will support the Disaster Emergency Committee campaign to help the people of Indonesia re-build their lives.

We ask that the children bring £1 donation and the school will divide any money raised equally between the various charities.

National Poetry Week

Miss Rudge and Ms Onion ran a poetry competition as part of National Poetry Week and as a response to their assemblies last week. Thank you to all the children who wrote fantastic poems on the theme of changes. The winners are LKS2 - Edward from Duffield and UKS2 - Theo from Ticknall. Prizes will be awarded at assembly on Friday. What a talented bunch of poets we have at CJS!

Repton Literary Festival

A new 3 day festival with be held at Repton School from 26 – 28 October, there will be over 25 events over the 3 days. To find out more visit www.reptonliteraryfestival.co.uk

Sports Updates

Mr Gadsby will be keeping parents up to date with CJS sporting achievements via our website – please visit

http://cjs.derby.sch.uk/page/physical-activity-at-cjs/42089

Handball Festival



On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs Reader had the pleasure of taking 10 Y6 pupils to a Handball Festival. Despite this being the first time many of the group had played the game, they picked up the rules quickly and showed great skill and teamwork. The game was fast paced and resulted in lots of goals even though each match only lasted 5 minutes. The festival was just for fun and designed to introduce the game to the children, however we still kept an eve on the scores and we won the majority of our matches convincingly. All the children showed great sporting attitudes and encouraged each other throughout the afternoon; they should be very proud of how well they represented our school.

Y5 and 6 Cross Country team event - 11 October 2018

On Wednesday night the Y 5 and 6 Cross Country team competed in the Derby Primary Schools Cross Country Team event competition at Moorways in the beautiful Autumn sunshine! Again there were over 100 girls and 100 boys competing. We did really well in both races and most children improved greatly on last week's positions.

In the girls' race Olivia Tomkins was an excellent 3rd, closely followed by brilliant runs by Millie King (4th), Alicia Banton (9th) and April Perry (22nd).

In the boys' race there were also some great performances with Jamal Silah in 7th place, Connor Bourke in 10th, Sam Benfield 19th

and Marcus Costigan 23rd. We are awaiting the actual team results which will be sent out in the next few days. Next week we look forward to the Relays.

Clubs for next half term

We are busy booking in all our clubs for the next half term. All clubs will run from w/c 5 November – some will run until the end of term, with others finishing a little earlier as we head towards Christmas. Our clubs have been very popular, so book early to avoid disappointment. A text will go out next week once clubs are available to book on parent pay.

Don't forget these important dates!

Non-uniform Day – Friday 19 October

Parents' Meetings:

Y3 and 5 - Tuesday 23 October Y4 and 6 - Thursday 25 October

Inset Day – Friday 26 October (School closed for pupils due to staff training)