

Chellaston Junior School

Weekly Bulletin



Friday, 19 July 2019

Monday	Y6 Football Match 4pm
Tuesday	Leavers' Performances (2pm and 6pm)
Wednesday	Awards Assembly 10am Y6 Leavers' Disco 6pm
Thursday	Final Bulletin of the term Final Assembly 10am

Open Evening

Thank you to all the Parents that came along to school on Tuesday evening. It was lovely to chat to so many parents and share the successes of your children this year. Thank you to all the staff who prepared the displays of children's work in all the classes to demonstrate the rich, broad and interesting curriculum from Year 3 through to Year 6. It was a very positive evening all round.

Report Slips and Questionnaires

There are still many parents who have not yet returned the slip to confirm receipt of your child's end of year report. Please return this to school, along with the questionnaire, by Wednesday 24 July. Thank you for your feedback which will help the school move forward as we look to improve year on year.

Leavers' Events

Y6 have been rehearsing a lot over the last few weeks for their Leavers' performances. Tickets have now gone out for the evening performance (6pm). Please note tickets are not issued for the afternoon performance (2pm).

Y6 do not need tickets for Leavers' Disco on Wednesday.

Term Dates

We have updated the [term dates](#) on our website to reflect the change in the Bank Holidays for VE Day celebrations.

Teaching Staff for 2019-2020

We now have [teaching arrangements](#) for next year finalised. All the details of staff are on the website.

After school clubs 2019/2020

We are busy putting together a timetable of after school clubs for next term. Please note clubs will not begin until w/c 23 September. The timetable will be published and clubs open for bookings during the first week of next term.

Y6 Residential Deadline

We've had a fantastic interest in the Y6 residential. The deadline for booking a place is 4pm on Monday. If you wish your child to attend, please ensure that you pay your deposit before then. Thank you.

Premier Sports Holiday Camps @ Chellaston Academy

There is the opportunity for your child to attend a Multi Activity or Performing Arts holiday camp over the summer holidays for 15 days - free of charge. Your child has to be eligible for Free School Meals. First come first served. Please email Lwall@premier-education.com or ring 07889 187326 to claim your free places.

Dinner Money

We ask all parents to clear any outstanding Dinner Money on ParentPay by the end of term. Thank you.

A message from Miss Fogg

As many of you will know, Mr Emery will be leaving CJS at the end of this term after 11 years as Headteacher.

In lieu of gifts, Mr Emery has requested that he would prefer donations to a charity close to his heart.

If you would like to see further information or make a donation, please click on the link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/james-emery2>. Thank you to everyone who has already generously donated.

Maths Masterclass celebration



These are three of the Y5 mathematicians from CJS: Jamie and Isaac (Dovedale) and Daniel (Castleton), pictured at a celebration event of the project run by Chellaston Academy and the Royal Institute for Mathematics. A group of Y5 children took part in five sessions run by 6th formers at Chellaston Academy to stretch and challenge their mathematical thinking. They did really well and feedback from staff and sixth formers at the Academy was extremely positive. Well done to these three and all other Y5 pupils who took part.

Swimming Gala

On Thursday 18 July we made our way to Repton Swimming Pool for our Annual CJS Swimming Gala.

62 Children from Years 4, 5 and 6 competed in individual front crawl, breast stroke and back stroke events. Teams of 3 competed in relay races and we also added a fun team race this year. There was lots of cheering and support for fellow competitors which was lovely to see. The standard of swimming was amazing and the children were a credit to CJS.

Thanks go to parents who came along to support, staff who helped and in particular, the children for making it a great Gala!

All competitors received a certificate and a particular 'Well Done' goes to our winners who also received a medal.



Winners

Front Crawl	Billy (Dovedale)
Breast Stroke	Millie (Edale)
Backstroke	Millie (Edale)
Relay team	Sophie (Dovedale) Lena (Hartington) Kody (Castleton)
Fun Race team	Emma (Edale) Drew (Edale) Isla (Bakewell)

Maths Summer Challenge

Next year, we would like all children at CJS to have an increasingly secure knowledge of times tables. To help us with this, it would be great if you could ensure that your child continues to practise times tables over the summer. Multiplication knowledge is critical to many aspects of mathematical learning, and without it, it is very difficult for children to attain Key Stage 2 expectations in Maths. For example topics such as division, fractions, percentages, decimals and ratio are not easy to learn if children are not secure in their knowledge of multiplication facts. Children need to feel confident in multiplication facts before they embark on learning about more complex topics. This includes knowing the times tables, having a rapid recall of times tables facts and having a good understanding of the inverse division facts relating to each times table. You may already be aware, that in 2020, Year 4 children will sit national multiplication tests.

By this age, children are expected to know (and rapidly recall) times table knowledge for all tables 1 to 12. From what we have seen so far, children will need to be able to answer questions at speed - within 6 seconds. It seems that errors are most often made for times tables 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12. We would love to hear from your children in September if you found creative and unusual ways to learn times tables. Even if you only manage to securely learn one set of times tables, it would be fantastic to know that each child has managed to keep their knowledge up to speed over summer.

Mathletics

Mathletics is a useful resource to use to practise times tables activities. Mrs Atwal will be checking pupils' accounts at the end of the summer holiday to check if we have any Mathletics superstars!

Reading over the holidays

It is really important that the children continue to practise their reading skills over the school holidays and enjoy some reading for pleasure. Six weeks is a long break and if children don't read regularly, they begin to lose their skills. Here are some ideas that you can do over the summer to make reading fun:

Ms Onion, our English Subject Leader, would love to see pictures of you 'extreme reading' during the school holidays. Take your book and read it on the beach, in a paddling pool, in a tree, in a hammock, in fact anywhere. Take a picture and ask a grown up to tweet your picture on to the school [Twitter feed](#).

- Join the local library and borrow books (fiction and non-fiction by authors you have not read before). You can tell your new teacher what new books you have read when you come back in September.
- Take part in the Derby City Library Reading challenge. All Derby City libraries are taking part and the challenge is to read six different books over the summer - that is 1 each week - collecting stickers

along the way and a certificate at the end. There is a special award for reading 4 extra books. More information on summer reading can be found [here](#) and information also is on the bookmark your child has taken home from school. Any child who completes this and brings it in to school will be given a privilege card.

- Attend a library event. There are several of these associated with the reading challenge at all the libraries around the city, which are free to attend. Chellaston Library is hosting a free event for 5-11 year olds with author and illustrator Chris White on Thursday 22nd August from 10.30am-11.30am. To book call the library on Derby 702614.
- Speed reading. How many words can you read out loud in 1 minute without making a mistake? Try this out; challenge a parent; or your grandma or your friends.
- Download [reading bingo](#) and play reading bingo. Ms Onion would love to see this in September if you do this.

Spelling

It is important children continue to practise spellings over the summer. The important words for Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6 are in the home school diaries and on the website. The children need to be able to use and apply spellings in their writing, so please try these fun activities over the holidays to practise your spellings:

- If you are on holiday, buy a postcard, write it and tell your friends or relatives what a great time you are having and then post it home. Will it get home before you do?
- Write messages in the sand if you are on a beach, or write your words in a sandpit, in water, or in the air.
- Can you spell out a word on your friends back and let them guess the letters? Did you spell it correctly?
- Write out words you see on signs if you go on a journey in the car - you will have to write them down quickly if the car is moving. This will be good for writing words down quickly.

- Write a letter or send an email to friend or relative to tell them what you are up to over the holidays.

Safety Assemblies

In recent assemblies, we have covered keeping safe over the summer holidays, including [water safety](#) and [rail safety](#). Further advice can be found on our website. Parents are encouraged to remind their children of the key messages to keep everyone safe.

September

A reminder that the Autumn Term starts for pupils on Monday 9 September. Parents of the new Year 3 children are invited to bring their children on to the playground for the first couple of days so that they know where to line up on the playground.