

Chilham St Mary's CEP School Newsletter

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What a wonderful first week I had - thank you all very much for making me feel so welcome!

The children's energy and enthusiasm really brought such vibrancy to the school and some super learning went on. I challenged myself at the start of the week to learn as many names as I could and, although I'm quite proud of my achievement, I still have a way to go! I'm enjoying discovering the many skills and talents your children have and I'm really looking forward to our journey together.

Have a great week everyone and let's hope the glorious spring weather continues.

Delia Cooper

Sports News

Well done to all our girls who enjoyed the 'This Girl Can sessions' on Friday. The physical trainer who came in to take the sessions said that the girls in every class behaved impeccably and were a pleasure to teach!

Great effort and "Well Done" to our two netball teams who competed in the tournament at Ashford Hockey Club on Saturday morning! Our A team came 7th and B team came 8th and greatly enjoyed playing each other in the 4th placed play-offs.



Hot Weather & P.E Kits

Now that the weather is finally warming up please remember your child needs a water bottle in school every day. Sun cream should be applied before school. On hot days, they can bring sun cream (named) in to school to re-apply mid way through the day. We have sun hats in school for Years R - 2 to use or if you prefer they can bring in one from home but please remember to mark with their name!

May we also remind you that P.E. Kits must be kept in school all term. We will send them home earlier if we feel they need a wash! ☺ It is also easier for

children if they can bring an appropriate change of clothes for after school dance/sports clubs.

Wrens

Last week the Wrens began a new topic about people who help in our village. They have written lists of the people they would like to find out about. We visited Chilham Post Office to post letters and have many more visitors and walks out planned for the coming weeks. This week the Wrens have also been learning about 3D shapes, they have impressed by grasping those tricky new names such as cube, cylinder and pyramid.



Hérons



Welcome back everybody! We hope you had a lovely Easter. We've kick-started our first week back by introducing our new topic: United Kingdom. We were lucky to learn about an English tradition by having our own Afternoon Tea! We looked at maps of the UK and the countries within it. In Maths we have been revising arithmetic, showing off what we have learnt so far. We are getting more confident at counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to help us find the answer to tricky calculations. In English we have been drafting a postcard to send to another

school in the country to tell them all about our wonderful village and school. In Science, we will continue to look at plants and we sorted which objects are made from plants. As always, we are spending lots of time working on our reading and phonics skills. We really value support with this at home ☺

Martins

This term Martins are continuing to learn about the Anglo Saxons and early settlements in topic. We are also continuing to look at Sikhism (in R.E) and Georgia O'Keefe (in Art) from last term. In literacy, we have been having fun looking at performing and writing play scripts. In maths, we are doing lots of problem solving and word problems. In science this term we are creating our own documentary about earth and space, which we will be editing in computing. Please note that P.E this term will be on Monday afternoons and homework will be handed out on Wednesdays and marked on Mondays.



Peacocks



What a busy week back for Peacocks class! The children have really hit the ground running this week and have all been working hard. Our year 5s and 6s have been splitting for our morning maths sessions; year 5 have been looking at Time and year 6 have been preparing for their SATs by brushing up on their long multiplication and division.

We have made the most of the glorious weather and the class have been practising their netball skills with Mrs Harris in preparation for a tournament

tomorrow that we are entering two teams into.

Last term's Topic and Science units are continuing into this term and the children will be learning more about how living things are classified and how the Stone Age made way for the Iron Age. This week they have been designing their own fictional creatures for a friend to try and classify.

Please continue to practise spellings and times tables with your children at home as these weekly tests will continue on a Thursday and Friday. Both are extremely important.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017/2018

<u>TERM 4</u>	<u>TERM 5</u>	<u>TERM 6</u>
<p><u>Tuesday 20th February</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Monday 26th March</u> Easter Service at Chilham Church, 2pm</p> <p><u>Tuesday 27th March</u> Parent Consultations 3.30pm - 6.30pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday 28th March</u> Parent Consultations 3.30pm - 6.00pm</p> <p><u>Thursday 29th March</u> END OF TERM 4</p>	<p><u>Monday 16th April</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Tuesday 22nd May</u> Open Afternoon for parents</p> <p><u>Thursday 24th May</u> END OF TERM 5</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 5th June</u> Children return to school</p> <p><u>Thursday 7th June</u> Y5 Parent Consultations (PESE- 11+)</p> <p><u>Friday 29th June</u> Sports Day (pm)</p> <p><u>Thursday 12th July</u> Junior Performance 6.00pm</p> <p><u>Monday 23rd July</u> Leavers Assembly (pm)</p> <p><u>Tuesday 24th July</u> END OF TERM 6 AND ACADEMIC YEAR - 2PM</p>
<p><u>INSET Days 2017/2018 (Teacher Training Days)</u></p> <p>Thursday 4th January 2018 Friday 5th January 2018 Monday 19th February 2018</p> <p>Friday 25th May Monday 4th June</p> <p><i>All dates are subject to change</i></p>		