



November Newsletter

The information below is an overview of what's happening this term and some useful day to day information.

Dates for events in the next few weeks

Date	Event
2.11.15	Return to school
6.11.15	Assembly for parents and children about the school bank/achievement assembly.
13.11.15	Children in Need. Children can wear non uniform and donate £1 to children in need.
20.11.15	Assembly presented by the children about keeping safe online. This coincides with anti bullying week.
7.12.15	Whole school Christmas production (Y1-Y6). 6pm performance
8.12.15	Whole school Christmas production (Y1-Y6). 2pm performance
9.12.15	Foundation christmas production. 9.30am Christmas dinner.
10.12.15	Trip to the pantomime for Reception to Y6 children. Children will be late home.
11.12.15	Achievement assembly and christmas raffle drawn.
Week beginning 14.12.15	Christmas parties.
18.12.15	Break up from school for Christmas
6.1.15	Children return to school.

After school clubs starting 9th November 2015

day	Club and member of staff
Monday	Film club - Key stage 1 3.15pm til 4pm Mrs Bunting £1 if you wish your child to have a drink and snack.
Tuesday	Recorder club - key stage 2 3.15pm til 4pm Mrs Csorba Free - new members welcome
Wednesday	Homework club - key stage 2 3.15pm til 4pm Mrs Frost and Miss Pitchford
Thursday	Cooking club - Key stage 2 3.15pm til 4.15pm Miss Seward and Mrs Wells £2 per session to cover cost of ingredients This club is limited to 10 children, a letter will be sent out this week, places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

- Please let your childs teacher know at the start of the day if your child is stopping for a club.
- All children to be collected at the end of the club, the nights are getting darker and we need to keep children safe.

Please read the back of this newsletter.

- If you wish your child to have a drink and snack a film club, please pay the £1 at the start of the day. Lots of children were unsure if they were having a snack or not as they hadn't been told by parents.

School photographs

- If you wish to have your child's photograph in time for Christmas, please return the money and the proof by 4th November. If you miss this deadline you will need to order online.

The school site

- The school boundary includes all of the car park, the requests below include the car park.
- The school site is a non smoking site, this includes the use of e- cigarettes.
- No dogs should be brought onto the school site.
- Children should not be on the school playground before 8.45am. If your child walks to school on their own please ensure they do not arrive before 8.45am.
- Complaints have been received regarding the car park and parking on School Lane. Please do not use the car park unless you have a blue badge. People with a blue badge should park in the marked bays. If you park on School Lane please park responsibly, do not block the school gates and remember children have to cross School Lane to get to school. Alternative parking is available behind the Arkwright Centre.
- If you wish to complain about parking our community police officer is PC Charlotte Platts 12717. She can be contacted via Chestefield police station.

Talking to staff

- Staff are available at the start and end of the school day. If you have a concern/question regarding your child please speak to your child's teacher first.
- If you wish to discuss something that is a wider school issue or you are unhappy with how a member of staff has dealt with something, please see me (Miss Seward).
- Staff and I are here to help. If you are unhappy with the school, tell us, it is not appropriate to be unpleasant about staff and the school on social media, the school can seek advice regarding this and take action if necessary.
- Please tell us about the good stuff too !

Arkwright Champion

- Your child has been issued with their Arkwright Champion card (reception to year 6)
- Each time your child is spotted by any adult in school, displaying one of the qualities of an Arkwright Champion their card will be signed. When their card is full they will receive a certificate and prize in assembly.
- **Your child will bring their card home, if you see them behaving like an Arkwright Champion you can sign the card too. Adults in the family can sign up to 30 squares. Please be honest, it's not a race to finish the card, the idea is to develop skills and attitudes that help with learning and day to day life.**
- **If a child loses their card, they start again.**

Homework

- There is an expectation that your child is issued with homework on a weekly basis. This expectation is made of all schools by the government.
- Your child is issued with Maths and English homework. This includes spellings and times tables.
- Homework is issued on a Wednesday to be handed in the following Monday. Children have been issued with a folder to keep their homework in.
- Your child is expected to read 3 times a week either to an adult or independently and have their reading record signed. Records are checked on a weekly basis.
- If your child doesn't hand their homework in at all, they stop in at playtime to complete it. If your child hands it in late, they lose 5 minutes golden time.
- Please support your child with reading and homework, it has a big impact on the progress they make and their learning in class.
- Any problems or questions please speak to your child's teacher.

