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Cheddon CHAT 19 – Friday 10th February 2017

Half way!

It is amazing to think that we are now halfway through the school year. It doesn't seem five minutes from when the children in Reception started their first day at school, and the excitement of Christmas hung in the air. The nights are now getting lighter and Spring is just around the corner. Hopefully the Spring like weather will appear with it! As ever, the children and staff are working extremely hard and producing results that are the envy of our peers. Just today, a letter has arrived on my desk from Nick Gibb MP congratulating us on our reading results from last year.

The letter reads, 'Your school's results show that 100 per cent of your children reached or exceeded the expected standard in reading at the end of key stage 2. This means your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England for achievement in reading. Thank you for your hard work and professionalism in producing such high standards.'

After all this hard work, everybody deserves a good break, so here's hoping that the weather is kind to us all. Have a great break however you choose to spend it and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 20th February.

Memorial Hall

The village hall committee are looking for more trustees. They meet about 4 times a year for about an hour at a time and would like another school representative to join. If this is something you think you spare some time for, please see Miss Penn for more information.

There is also a Film night happening at the hall which is on 18th February. They will be showing The Girl On The Train. It's a £6 entry fee and doors open from 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start.

Bike

There is an adult's bike chained up in our bike rack which has been there since we did the bikeability training. If you have misplaced or lost a bike, please have a look at it.

Hair styles

Can we just remind you of school policy regarding hair cuts and styles. Our policy states, "Children are not to come to school with extreme haircuts, dyed hair, or with patterns cut into their hair as these can cause distractions to the other children." the full guidance on uniform can be found by [clicking here](#).

Open Door

Just a reminder that all donations for our Open Door charity need to be in school by Tuesday 21st February.

Free to a good home!

We have some spare furniture that we need to get rid of. If you know of anyone (or an organisation) that could make use of some chairs, tables or stools, please get in touch. If we don't get a response, they will be going in the skip. Chairs and tables pictured below.



Nearly New Sale

This event will happen on Saturday 18th February from 2pm-4pm at Bishop's Hull Village Hall (TA1 5EB). There will be quality NEARLY NEW children's items including clothes, toys and equipment. There will also be craft stalls, local business stalls, children's entertainment and refreshments. If you would like to book a stall you can look on Facebook at [littlemonsters.sales](#) or email littlemonsters_preloved@outlook.com.

Safer Internet Day

The whole school have spent time this week looking at how to use the internet in a safe way. There have been lots of posts on our Facebook page and website to highlight the event. With half term looming, this may be the perfect opportunity to discuss with you child what they have learnt, to check all of their devices have parental controls enabled and that they are not sharing any personal information with people they do not know. More information for parents can be found by [clicking here](#).

Parent Pay

We are pleased to announce that towards the end of this academic year we will be accepting payments online for items such as dinner money and school trips, with a view to introducing the system for Stay & Play bookings early in the next academic year. Details regarding this will follow in a letter shortly, as this will have an affect on how and when you will have to pay for your sessions. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit or debit card. ParentPay will be our preferred method of making payments to school.

What are the benefits to parents and pupils?

- ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7
- The technology used is of the highest internet security available ensuring that your money will reach school safely – offering you peace of mind
- Payments can be made by credit/debit card or also through PayPoint
- Full payment histories and statements are available to you securely online at anytime
- Your children will not have to worry about losing money at school
- Parents can choose to be alerted when their balances are low via email and/or SMS text

What are the benefits to our school?

The more parents that use ParentPay, the greater the benefit is to our school.

You can help us reduce workloads for all staff, creating more time to lend to educational support and the smooth running of the school.

Using ParentPay also ensures that all financial transactions are safe and secure - helping us to remove costs associated with us having to manage cash securely on the school premises.

Attendance

This week's attendance in each class:

94.15	96.09	97.13	94.85	96.41
Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5

Stars of the Week

Class 1	Sophie Bradley	For your kind and caring attitude towards others
Class 2	Eva Wadham	For being kind to others
Class 3	RJ Pattison	For being helpful
Class 4	Mat Stefanski	For exceptional behaviour choices at the Sports festival
Class 5	Oliver Pollard	For his help and kindness when working in Class 1

Dates for your diary

13.02 - Half Term
20 - 02 - First day back after half term
27.02 - Yr 5 & 6 Football Tournament, Heathfield School
02.03 - Yr 3 & 4 Catchball Tournament, Castle School
08.03 - Yr 5 & 6 Basketball Tournament, Heathfield School
16.03 - Parents' Evening (Early session)
22.03 - Yr 5 & 6 Basketball Tournament, Heathfield School
23.03 - Yr 3 & 4 Catchball Tournament, Castle School
23.03 - Parents' Evening (Late session)
24.03 - FCSA Easter Bingo
29.03 - Yr 5 & 6 High 5 Netball Tournament, Taunton Vale Sports Club
30.03 - Mufti Day
30.03 - Easter Service at the Church 9:30am at the church
31.03 - Last day of term
03.04 - Easter Holidays