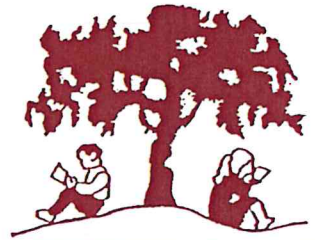


Chiltern Primary School News

Together, over time, we are proud to learn to make a difference to ourselves and others
16th September 2022



Welcome

Welcome to the end of our second week back!

As you now know, our school will be closed on Monday 19th September, to mark a National day of mourning as we celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth II. School will reopen on Tuesday 20th. Miss McGuigan has shared information on bereavement.

Highlights of the Week

- ★ Home school agreements do need to be signed and returned by the end of next week
- ★ Uniform is part of this home-school agreement and we still notice that PE kits are not adhering to our uniform colours and expectations
- ★ Music lessons have started as planned and we are hoping to add a Y2 recorder group to our provision
- ★ Hotshots taster sessions for KS2 pupils took place on Monday and spaces for the 2 clubs are almost full already
- ★ Bikeability Road Safety training has ended for Y6 and they all showed improved awareness of road safety and control of their bike across the week. We hope the children who participated continue to show sensible and safe road use.

Coming Up Next Week

- ◆ Choir will begin as we now have the new Young Voices song choices
- ◆ Karate club will commence again too
- ◆ World Peace Day on Wednesday 21 September will be celebrated in our key stage assemblies across the week.

Safeguarding

Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II we are sharing two documents this week. The first guide reflects on how to deal with grief in general and the second is an information page about the life of Queen Elizabeth II

Attendance

| Year Group | Last Week | This Week |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| EYFS | N/A | N/A |
| Year 1 | 92.4% | 92.1% |
| Year 2 | 98.3% | 93.0% |
| Year 3 | 100% | 98.3% |
| Year 4 | 94.0% | 100% |
| Year 5 | 90.5% | 92.0% |
| Year 6 | 90.9% | 92.7% |
| Average | 93.6% | 94.2% |

We aim to maintain our school average of 96% and unfortunately we have fallen well below this mainly due to unauthorised absences.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning by attending school regularly.

The new LA Attendance Officer for our school is Charlie Morgan, who will be visiting us shortly to discuss children with historic attendance less than 85% in the first instance.

PTA

- ◆ The new PTA committee met last night and have planned the first events – full dates will be shared but the first highlights are:
- ◆ Friday 14 October at 3.15pm, a pre-loved uniform and out-grown Halloween costume sale/ swap
- ◆ Friday 21 October, Halloween discos for EYFS/ KS1: 3.15pm – 4.15pm and KS2 4.30pm – 5.30pm – details to follow
- ◆ Mrs Lippiatt has kindly agreed to take on the role of secretary
- ◆ It is hoped a WhatsApp page and/ or Facebook page, will be set up to share information about the PTA more easily
- ◆ The committee will always want volunteers so will share rotas before each event.

And finally...

As always, any problems or worries, just catch one of the staff members on gate duty or pop into the school office. Have a lovely, long weekend and we hope you are able to share the historic experiences next Monday brings in a memorable way with your family and friends.

Kind regards,

Penny Howell, Head Teacher

