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### Friday 16th October 2020

## Weekly Note from Mrs See...

Halloween Dress Up Day, Friday 16th October - the children looked wonderful in their spooky, halloween themed costumes today and had a great day taking part in a range of art and craft activities and halloween themed PE this afternoon.

**Author Workshop** - also today, children in Year 2 - 4 joined in with a great virtual workshop with author Teresa Heapy. This event was organised by Dorset Libraries who will also be hosting another event over half term - details below:



Let ZooLab take you on a wicked adventure 29<sup>th</sup> October – Follow our friendly witch, Zog, on a rhyming broomstick ride! She offers a ride to a selection of amazing animal hitchhikers, who the children will get to meet! However, it's not all plain sailing. Will Zog's journey end with a bump? Perfect for families with children age 5+. Book 1 ticket for the whole family!

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/zoo-on-the-broom-with-zoolab-tickets-122254539619



Farm Visit - earlier in the week, all the children had a wonderful time visiting the Farm, learning about life on the farm and harvest. It was a super addition to our Harvest Festival Week. We also had a visit from Chrissy, another farmer who led our Harvest Assembly on Wednesday. The children all made pledges to try new fruits and vegetables as part of this. Look out for





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our Harvest Festival video where you'll be able to see all the great things we got up to this week in celebration of Harvest.

**Food Donations** - Thank you very much for all the generous donations for the foodbank, these will be delivered to them over the half term.

**Parent Meetings** - It was wonderful to speak to all our parents this week and share with you the successes of this half term. Thank you also for all the positive feedback from parents too- it has been a long term with a lot of resettling and getting back into the swing of learning (for everyone) after a very disruptive year last year, so it is so nice to hear positive and supportive comments for the hard work of staff too.

**Farewell Mr Dailey** - We bid a very sad but very fond farewell to Mr Dailey this week, who will be starting a new full time teaching position after half term. Mr Dailey has been associated with the school through DASP for many years and has been a brilliant member of our extended teaching team at CVS. He will be sorely missed but we wish him all the best in his next chapter. PE will continue to happen on a Monday morning after half term and we're very pleased that Mr Crowe, a Sports Coach from Premier Sports and who knows the school well, will be taking these sessions.

**Music Mark Award** - We are thrilled to have received the following recognition:

Congratulations! You have been nominated by Dorset Music Service to become a Music Mark school for the 2020/21 academic year. The value that you place on music and your commitment to a broad and balanced curriculum has been recognised, and as a result, we would like to celebrate it.



Huge thanks to Mrs Collett, our coordinator for Music and the Arts, for arranging so many wonderful musical opportunities for the school!



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Parent Governor Applications - we are delighted to announce that Dave Riddell (Cameron's Dad, Y2) and Jon Moller (Florence's Dad, Reception) will be joining our Governing Body as Parent Governors. Their term of office will start in November so look out for more information from the Governors during next term.

Thanks again to all our wonderful staff for another super half term. We hope you all enjoy a lovely half term break.

See you back on Monday 2nd November. Kind regards, Mrs See



Flu Immunisation - PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO COMPLETE THIS USING THE LINK ON THE LETTER SENT ON FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER (this letter can also be found on the school website). The school will be hosting the annual NHS Flu Immunisations for all children the first week back after half term on Thursday 5th November. Please see the separate letter from the school

nursing team about this. The immunisation programme is run by the school nurses, the school doesn't handle any of the administration of this process, so please read through the information carefully. Thank you.

**Local Food Links** - The new menu from Local Food Links is also being sent out with this newsletter and will be available on our website. Don't forget, orders for the first week back after half term need to be placed by the end of the first week of half term please.

**Year 4 Hooke Court -** For parents of children in Year 4, please see the letter regarding Hooke Court 2021.

**Wild Art Club -** this will be starting next half term for children in Y1-4. Please see the letter sent out via email yesterday. Reply slips need to go directly to Mrs Spratt please.



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# Celebration Awards for this week...

## Well done to our superstar award winners this week:



Butterfly Class - Paige and Sophie Kingfisher Class - Harrison and Hope Lunchtime - Ella and Katie PE - Mr Dailey: all the children! DASP Citizen - Wilfred and Katie



# Dates for the diary... Autumn Term 2020

Date	Event	Details		
Monday 19th - Friday 30th October  TWO WEEK HALF TERM				
Monday 2nd November	Children return for second half of Autumn Term			
Thursday 5th November	Whole School (not Pre-School) Flu Immunisations	Details will follow.		
Thursday 11th November	Remembrance Day	This occasion will be marked with a service at school.		
Monday 16th November	School Photos - individual and family groups	More details to follow.		



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Friday 19th December	Last Day of Autumn Term				
Monday 21st - Friday 31st December CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY					
Monday 4th January 2021	Al	l return to school for Spring Term			

## **2020-21 Term Dates**

#### **AUTUMN TERM 2020**

Tues 1st/Wed 2nd September - INSET DAY 1 & 2

**Thursday 3rd September** - Children in Pre-School, Reception, Year 3 and Year 4 return

Monday 7th September - Children in Year 1 and Year 2 return

**AUTUMN HALF TERM -** *Monday 19th October - Friday 30th October (Two Weeks)* 

(Mon 19th/Tues 20th October - INSET DAYS 3 & 4)

**Monday 2nd November** - start of second half of Autumn Term

Friday 18th December - Last day of Autumn Term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY- Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January

**SPRING TERM 2021** 

Monday 4th January - Children return for Spring Term 2021



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(Friday 12th February - INSET DAY 5 (School closed for children)

**SPRING HALF TERM** - Monday 15th - Friday 19th February

**Monday 22nd February** - start of second half of Spring Term

Thursday 1st April - Last day of Spring Term

**EASTER HOLIDAY-** *Friday 2nd April - Friday 16th April* 

#### **SUMMER TERM 2021**

Monday 19th April - Children return for Summer Term 2021

(Monday 3rd May - May Bank Holiday 2021)

SUMMER HALF TERM - Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021

**Monday 7th June** - start of second half of Summer Term

Friday 23rd July - Last day of Summer Term

#### **SUMMER HOLIDAYS**



**Newsletters and Information -** Please don't forget that all key information and copies of all letters are all put on the school website. www.cheselbourne.dorset.sch.uk