

Cheselbourne Village School

Friday 8th October 2021



Dear Parents

This week, starting in our Monday assembly, we have been learning about the importance of some historical events and changes to our society. In the UK, we raise the awareness of equality and inclusion by celebrating Black History month during October. We discussed this

during our assemblies and I was really impressed with what the children remembered throughout the week. Communities have taken huge strides in making a difference to equality, yet I still feel we have a long way to go. I was reflecting about this theme this week, and I strongly believe that our school and local community's aim must be to ensure that the children in our care grow up respecting and understanding the rights of **everyone**, no matter what their culture, race, gender, sexuality, belief or physical self. This is definitely achievable!

The transition into another month has brought the usual change in 'wellness'. Our hygiene is of great importance and we are continuing to wash our hands often and ventilate our learning spaces. I would like to make everyone aware that the current guidance is that if someone has a COVID 19 symptom, then a PCR test (sent to the lab) is required. If the result is received as negative, then the person can resume as normal. However please consider that they are generally well enough to attend school.

Finally, I want to bring your attention to our request of donating any wood stain to treat our two new outdoor benches and the outdoor classroom. Further details are below.

Enjoy your weekend,

Mr & Perry

Kind regards,

Mr C. Perry

Headteacher

WHOLE SCHOOL TRIP ANNOUNCEMENT NEXT WEEK! (Thursday)

We have received a special invitation to visit the Dorset Museum to see the amazing 'Elmer and Friends: The Colourful World of David McKee'. We will be the first school to visit!

Look out for more information and permission forms early next week. We are currently requesting a grant to fund the trip, but may need a small contribution to cover the travel costs. The trip is planned for the morning so lunch arrangements will be normal.

Halloween Disco - Thursday 14th October 2021@5:30-7pm

Buy your tickets in advance from the school office! (cash only please)

Please remember to bring some spare change on the day. (Glow sticks / refreshments to be sold)

Poster and extra details attached!

Christmas Lights and Reindeer event taking place at Nutley Farm (Nr Dorchester DT28DT)

Starting on the 26th November - 2nd January 2022. It is a delightful event that first ran last year with the main aim to bring a magical and festive experience for all the family whilst also supporting the Somerset & Dorset Air Ambulance.

Queen's jubilee - Extra bank holiday

Dorset County has informed us that we are required to identify another day in the school calendar for the school to close as the Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday falls within the summer half term.

In order to give as much notice as possible we will be closed for pupils on Friday 22nd July 2022, therefore the children's last day before the summer break will be Thursday 21st July 2022. Staff will still be in on the Friday (22nd July) as we are using it as an INSET day and bringing forward the day of close to October (see below)

CVS donations and maintenance help!! - Friday 22nd October (school closed)

PLEASE!!

Check your sheds and garages for any spare, no longer needed or half empty outdoor paint or wood stain! (any colour). We would be very grateful if you could donate in preparation for some

outdoor maintenance that will begin on the 22nd October. Donations welcome from Monday 11th October.

Please let Mr Perry or Mrs White know if you're available to help with any of the following:

- Build 2 outdoor picnic benches
- Build a new shed (if it arrives in time)
- Wood stain treat the outdoor classroom, use any leftover on our fences.

Any help will be appreciated!

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations are scheduled for Wednesday 3rd November between the times of 3:30-7:00pm. This is an ideal time for teachers to discuss learning and development points for your child. It's also a great opportunity for you to ask any questions that you have about your child's development. Booking is available by speaking or calling Mrs White in the office.

The End of the Pier show

Piddletrenthide Memorial Hall

Thursday 28th October - 4pm

Book in advance 01300348112 or online at artsreach.co.uk

See attachment in newsletter email for more information.

Phonics and Reading workshop - 10th November @5-6pm

We will be running 2 workshops. One aimed at parents that need or wish to improve their phonic understanding to support the children in early reading, and a more general reading workshop to help with reading fluency and effective questioning. Workshops will be run at 5:00 and 5:30pm. This will allow those parents that wish to attend one or both of the workshops to be able to.

We will be providing a place to drop the children off. They will receive a small refreshment/snack and have some storytime/movietime provided.

Further details to be shared closer to the time.

Achievers Assembly Awards for this week... Assembly scheduled for Monday!!

Safeguarding Support

If you ever have a concern about a child, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr Perry

In the absence of Mr Perry please speak to our deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs Collett or Mrs Mowlam



We nurture young, enquiring minds in a fun and caring way to inspire a lifetime love of learning.

2021-22 Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2021

Thursday 2 September - INSET day - Children not in school

Friday 3 September - Children return for new school year

(3 INSET DAYS - Children not in school - 20, 21, 22 October)

AUTUMN HALF TERM - Monday 25 October - Friday 29 October 2021

Monday 1 November - start of second half of Autumn Term

Friday 17 December - Last day of Autumn Term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Newsletters and Information - Please remember that key information and copies of letters are on the school website: www.cheselbourne.dorset.sch.uk

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