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#### Last week at Cheadle Heath

Happy Friday to all our Cheadle Heath Primary School parents and carers! We've had another busy week in school; on Monday I accompanied Peake Class to their swimming lesson at Cheadle Hulme School and was astounded by the progress they have all made since starting this new partnership with CHS in September; on Tuesday we welcomed prospective parents to school who were amazed by the buzz of learning in and around the site. It was amazing to see our children interact so confidently and enthusiastically with the visitors who enjoyed the experience very much! On Tuesday and Thursday, the hall was awash with parents and carers from Nursery to Y6 meeting with teachers in our first parents' evenings of the year. In the classroom all children are working incredibly hard with their learning; I walk the school each day and we are seeing some excellent practice and already some amazing learning outcomes in books. Staff had so much good news to share with happy, proud families. On Wednesday, 100 KS2 pupils, attended Movie Night and our football team played in a tournament at Stockport Academy where they represented #teamCHPS with pride. The week finished with LKS2 delivering our Harvest Festival in a colourful spectacular with amazing singing and dancing to a packed audience. Well done everyone and thank you for your contributions for Chelwood Food Bank.

#### Milk Money Challenge

The Friends Milk Bottle fundraising challenge is underway and each class are working hard to fill their milk bottle with loose change. The challenge lasts until 24<sup>th</sup> November.

#### New Starters 2024

We are holding guided tours of the school for prospective families looking to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024. The closing date for Reception applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 for Nursery. Spread the #teamCHPS word!



#### Parent Voice

Our Parent Voice is an open forum whereby parents can share their views and ideas about different areas of school life. It is not an elected or representative role, it is simply an opportunity for anyone to pop along for an informal discussion – complete with cake! The next Parent Voice will take place in school on 19<sup>th</sup> October at 2. 15pm - 3.15pm.

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#### Communication Matters

Please see the attached Communication Flowchart so that you can see where to direct any queries to. We try to get things right but, occasionally, there can be miscommunication. I appreciate that errors can be frustrating, however, if you have missed a message, please be patient and understanding as we always try to rectify errors! You can always telephone school on 428 2476.

### Reading for Pleasure

We cannot stress enough how important the sharing of reading is, no matter whether your child is in Reception or Year 6; the benefits for both of you are immeasurable. So, we are again asking for recommendations from everyone. What books are you reading at home with your child? Please email in suggestions for books you have enjoyed reading together and a photograph of you reading as a family to admin@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk Every recommendation with a photograph will get a place on our reading wall and some pictures will appear in the newsletter.

#### Morning Routine

All children need to be on the site by 8.50am as the external gates will be closed promptly. If the gates are closed then please sign them in at the main entrance. Gates open at 8.40am.

#### Site Safety

To ensure safety on the school grounds, we kindly ask that children and adults dismount from bikes and scooters at the school gate and not ride them in the playground.

### Healthy Eating Policy

As a school we aim to work in partnership with parents in endeavouring to cultivate healthy eating habits for all our children. We will work with all partner agencies to adopt a sensible approach to all matters relating to healthy eating. We would be very grateful to have your support in following the standards we have adopted.

Morning Play snack: Fresh Fruit or Vegetables may be brought from home. Reception and KS1 will be provided with free fruit via the National Fruit Scheme.

### Safeguarding Reminder

We work hard to ensure your child's safety remains paramount. We will only release your child to the adults that you have informed us are authorised to collect your child. If for any reason an adult that is not listed on our system arrives to collect your child, and we have not been informed in advance, we will not release your child to them. To prevent such delays at the end of the school day, we ask that you contact us by 3pm to let us know if you are asking a different adult to collect your child. Please note, any older sibling authorised to collect your child should be aged 14 and over. Your understanding and cooperation in adhering to these procedures is very important. Thank you in advance for your cooperation

#### Parent Governor Election

We have two nominations for our vacant Parent Governor role so will be holding an anonymous online election via School Spider. The nominee statements will be circulated on Monday when the ballot opens.

#### Attendance Matters

Attendance remains a key focus area for the school and has also been reported in the news recently as a key challenge nationally. Last week our overall attendance was 95.34%, just slightly below our target of 96%. A massive EIGHT classes achieved 96+% this week—well done Einstein, Nightingale, Anning, Hawking, Seacole, Parks, Peake and Turing. For the year to date we are at 95.82% and a whopping 292 children had 100% attendance this week. Let's try to be above 96% for the whole school next week ... on time, all day, every day!

Did you know that we have a whole class attendance initiative? When the whole class are in school - and in on time! - they achieve one letter from the word ATTENDANCE. When the word is complete the class gets a non-uniform day. Congratulations to PARKS CLASS who are our latest winners and will wear non-uniform on Monday and well done to Einstein, Nightingale, Attenborough, Seacole and Peake who have all achieve it so far.

Attendance makes such a difference to school success and getting off to a good start to the year and forming those habits early is really important. We have a clear process which is designed to safeguard pupils, families and the school; therefore, you may receive a formal letter from us regarding any absence your child may have. Please support your children to be resilient and come to school every day.

#### Children's Birthdays

Just to let our new parents know, and a reminder to all our other families, that we do not give out birthday treats of party bags / sweets / cakes to children in the class. In addition to some children having food allergies, parents told us in the past that children were coming home with too many sweets and treats (sometimes 2 to 3 times a week) and asked us to change this. Providing treats for school can be extremely costly and we don't want our families feeling like they have to make this unnecessary expense. Some parents have bought a single book to share with the class and then keep in the class library which is a lovely idea.

#### Facebook

Do you follow us on Facebook? Please like and share our posts to boost the search and promote the school. This is the image you are looking for which is a page linked to the main profile:



### Have a great weekend,

Christine Meekley & the staff at #teamCHPS

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<b>Key Dates for Autumn Term 2023:</b> Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September - Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December New dates are added in red			
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Parks Class non-uniform day		
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Y1 trip to Lytham St Anne's		
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Malala Class to Cheadle Hulme School for science lesson		
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 to Robinwood Residential until Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October		
·	Full Governing Board Meeting 1/6		
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Y2 to Fireground in Rochdale		
	CHPS Voice @ 2.15pm		
	EYFS/KS1 Movie Night		
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	KS1 Mini Sports Festival – pm in school		
	Y6 trip to the Art Gallery / War Memorial		
	Friends of CHPS Halloween costume sale and tuck shop in the hall at 3.15pm		
	Break up for October half term		
Half Term Holidays: Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	October – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October		
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	School returns		
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	EYFS Stay & Play – Reception 8.45 – 9.45am / Nursery 2.15pm – 3.15pm		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Tempest Individual Photos		
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am		
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	D – I – S – C – O Time		
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Big Remembrance Day		
Filday 10 November	Y6 football team to Cheadle Hulme School tournament		
	War Graves Charity in LKS2 for Remembrance		
W/b Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week		
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Turing Class (Y6) to Cheadle Mosque		
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Farah Class (Y6) to Cheadle Mosque		
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need		
Triday 17 November	Y3/4 Netball Festival at CHPS		
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am		
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Stay & Learn Maths – times to be arranged by individual class teachers		
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Stay & Learn Maths – times to be arranged by individual class teachers		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 to Crucial Crew		
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	CHPS Festive Day		
Friday 1st December	Christmas Tree Decorating Assembly		
Triday 1 December	Christmas Fair 3.30 – 5.30pm		
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Front Row Christmas Concert		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am		
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity – 10.30am / EYFS Nativity - 2pm		
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Nativity – 10.30am / KS1 Nativity - 2pm		
canesady 15 December	Full Governing Board Meeting 2/6		
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 to Theatre		
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	CHPS sponsored Reindeer Run and Santa Dash		
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	UKS2 Christingle – 2pm		
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2-6 trip to the Panto at Romiley Forum		
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	CHPS Gets Festive: Christmas Dinner & Party		
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	INSET 2 / 5 – Staff only in school		
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Term dates 2023 - 24				
	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:		
Autumn 1	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023		
Autumn 2	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023		
Spring 1	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024		
Spring 2	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024		
Summer 1	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024		
Summer 2	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2024		
INSET days	1 Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023			
Staff only in	2 Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023			
attendance	3 Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024			
	4 Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2024			
	5 Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2024			

Term dates 2024 - 25				
	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:		
Autumn 1	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2024	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024		
Autumn 2	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2024		
Spring 1	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2025	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025		
Spring 2	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2025		
Summer 1	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025		
Summer 2	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2025		
INSET days	1 Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024			
Staff only in	<ul><li>2 To be confirmed</li><li>3 To be confirmed</li></ul>			
attendance				
	4 To be confirmed			
	5 To be confirmed			