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SEND

What a busy week we've had!

Mrs Murphy launched Anti Bullying week with a thought proving assembly using the theme *make a noise about bullying*. We have used the beautiful, wordless picture book 'I Walk with Vanessa' as a whole school text to deliver key messages and have reinforced the roles involved in bullying using the words bystander, perpetrator, target, ringleader, reinforcer, assistant and defender/upstander. Some wonderfully powerful work has been produced throughout school including the most stunning dance performed by LKS2 where they immersed themselves in the story. It was so powerful that when our catering team watched, they had goosebumps and spontaneously gave them a round of applause.

Y6 visited Cheadle Mosque and had an amazing time. Visits to sacred spaces bring the agreed RE syllabus to life and underpins the role of RE in helping pupils prepare for life in today's diverse world. The experience of visiting Cheadle Mosque was aimed to help the pupils learn more about the Islamic faith and support work completed in class. They took part in various workshops and had a guided tour looking at the key features of Cheadle Mosque to see how it features in the Islamic faith and talked about the significance of the design and the important role it plays in the community. They learnt about the Kabba and the pilgrimage to Mecca and those who wanted to dressed in traditional Islamic wear reflecting how those who arrive at Mecca dress. Everyone learnt about charity how wrote their name in Arabic. Year 6 really enjoyed the whole experience and have since written some fantastic reflections. The best comment was, "This has been the best trip I've ever been on, it really highlighted the similarities between my Christian faith and Islam. I loved it!"

Today has been a very sporty day as we welcomed Lark Hill Primary to take part in an onsite LKS2 netball festival, Y5 Malala went swimming at Cheadle Hulme School and 20 Y6 pupils went to a friendly football festival, also at Cheadle Hulme School, alongside other schools in our partnership. What stands out more than anything is the positive approach to sport our pupils show and the determination and sporting attitudes they consistently demonstrate!

New Parent Governors

Congratulations to Michelle Clements and Elisabeth Learoyd who have both joined our Governing Board as newly elected parent governors. Both have children in Reception so are at the start of their educational journey at #teamCHPS and both bring a wealth of expertise and experience to the Board. We look forward to working with them to continue developing Cheadle Heath. If you would like to know more about what the Governors do click [here](#) and you can meet the Governors [here](#).

Christmas Fair Countdown

Outdoor area development

We are excited to reveal the final design for our new outdoor area - phase 1 of our grounds development - which is scheduled to be installed over the Easter holidays 2024. We have a significant amount of money to raise before the installation so if you have any fundraising ideas do let me know! This new outdoor provision project is really exciting so let's be part of making it a reality.

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... new outdoor area!

Allergy Aware

Packed lunches should not contain any products containing nuts (peanut butter, Nutella or similar nut-based chocolate spreads, nut based cereal bars etc.) as we have children in school who have severe nut allergies. If your child has eaten breakfast containing nuts, please ensure that they wash their face and hands before school.

Q - My child isn't allergic to nuts, why can't they bring in nuts?

A -There are people in school with nut allergies, reactions can occur if they inhale allergen particles in the air, or if they come into contact with a contaminated item for example, drinking from someone else's cup.

Q - What happens if someone has an allergic reaction?

A - The symptoms of a food allergy may include a rash anywhere on the body, or a tingling or itchy feeling in the mouth, sickness and feeling lethargic. More serious symptoms may include: Swelling in the face, throat and/or mouth, difficulty breathing, severe asthma, abdominal pain, nausea and vomiting. In extreme cases there could be a dramatic fall in blood pressure (anaphylactic shock). The person may become weak and floppy which may lead to collapse and unconsciousness. On rare occasions, this can be fatal.



PE Kits

- The Stockport policy is that no footwear for dance and gym, as is the national advice. The Association for PE guidance states: *In gymnastics and dance, barefoot work is safest, whether on the floor or apparatus, because the toes can grip. Barefoot work both in gymnastics and dance can improve aesthetics by allowing the foot and toes to move through a full range of flexion and extension, which in turn strengthens the muscles, bones and joints.* However, pumps or trainers should be worn indoors for games activities such as dodgeball and for outdoor PE too.
- If your child has a verruca, the medical advice is that verrucas don't need covering. However, if they are really painful they can be dressed appropriately with plasters/padding that aren't going to come off in the lesson as long as they don't cause a slipping hazard. Parents can't withdraw their child from the PE curriculum. Without a doctor's note, all pupils should participate barefoot as per school and LA policy.

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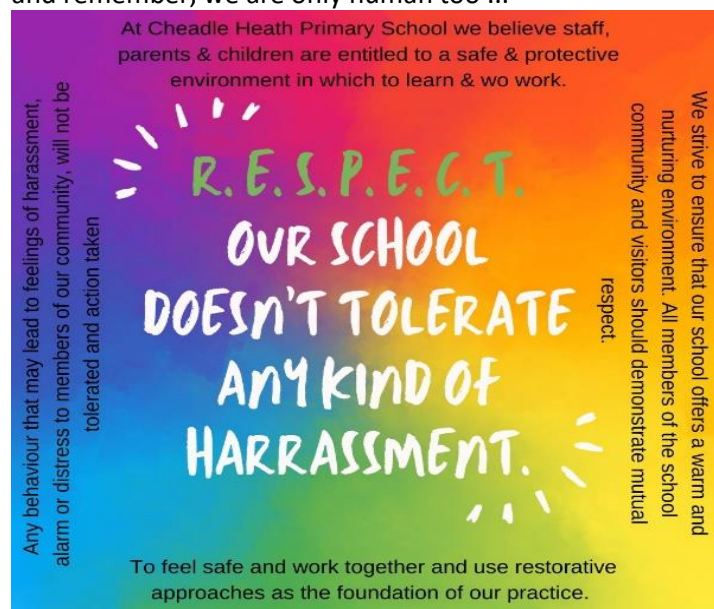
Stay & Learn Maths with Me

Next week we are holding 'Stay & Learn Maths with Me' for Y1 – Y6 parents. This is a chance for you to come into class and join in with our daily maths lesson. We ask that you do not bring any preschool children to the event and that you limit numbers to one adult per child, per day.

Y1	Mandela Attenborough	Tuesday 21st November 9am Thursday 23rd November 9am
Y2	Anning Holmes	Tuesday 21st November 9am Thursday 23rd November 9am
Y3/4	Parks Seacole Hawking	Tuesday 21st November 9.10am only Due to timetable clashes there will only be one Stay & Learn for Y3/4
Y5	Malala Peake	Tuesday 21st November 9:10am Thursday 23rd November 9:10am
Y6	Farah	Tuesday 21st November 9:10am Thursday 23rd November 9:10am
Y6	Turing	Tuesday 21st November 9:10am Wednesday 22nd November 9:10am

Thank you for your support

Last week I put a dojo message on school story about respect. We know things go wrong and that differences of opinion happen so it was really disappointing to have to publicly reinforce that Cheadle Heath Primary School will not tolerate inappropriate behaviour including the use of foul and abusive language, verbal threats and any acts of violence. What was really reassuring and heart-warming was that a massive 84 people 'liked' the post which absolutely reinforces that you – our parental community - support us, know we are human and know that we will work hard to resolve any issues so a huge THANK YOU. Thankfully, things like this do not happen very often but it is wonderful to know that the vast majority of our school community work with us and support us. Remember, if you aren't happy with something please talk to us, don't shout at us or threaten us, we will **always** help resolve any issues and remember, we are only human too ...



Save the date ... 02.02.24

More details to follow but save the date for this fun filled family night! Tickets will be available after Christmas at £12.50 for a family of up to 4 people (additional individual tickets can be added on). Our family events are for all ages and are always a huge hit as they are a perfect opportunity meet together socially.



Staffing news

Congratulations to Mrs Wong and Mrs Ilyas, both parents at school, on their appointments as new Midday Assistants. We look forward to them joining our lunchtime team.

Wellbeing @ Cheadle Heath

Here are **MAGIC** five ways to improve our mental health

- **Be MINDFUL** - be more aware of the present
- **Be ACTIVE** - find an activity that you enjoy and make it a part of your life.
- **Be GENEROUS** – give to those in need or even giving a smile, a thank you or a kind word.
- **Be INTERESTED** - keep learning new skills can give you a sense of achievement and a new confidence.
- **Be CONNECTED** - connect with people. Be connected and stay positive.

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It's coming ...

Love it or hate it, Christmas is coming fast – only 38 sleeps - so look out for the next Head Lines newsletter as it will contain all things festive in school.

Have a great weekend,

Christine Meekley & the staff at #teamCHPS

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Key Dates for Autumn Term 2023: Monday 4th September - Friday 22nd December

Monday 20 th November	Theme #2 launch this week in each year group. Curriculum newsletters to follow. Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am
Tuesday 21 st November	Y1 – 6 Stay & Learn Maths with Me: see class story pages for details / chart on page above
Thursday 23 rd November	Y1 – 6 Stay & Learn Maths with Me: see class story pages for details / chart on page above Y5/6 Girls Football Tournament Water Safety Assembly – delivered by Olympian Rebecca Adlington
Friday 24 th November	Christmas Fair Countdown: Onesies/PJs/cosy clothes. To bring: unopened packet of sweets/chocolate (nut free)
Wednesday 29 th November	Y6 to Crucial Crew
Thursday 30 th November	CHPS Festive Day
Friday 1 st December	Christmas Fair Countdown: Christmas clothes (jumpers/t-shirts/dresses/shirts/socks-anything!) to bring: baked Christmassy goodies Christmas Tree Decorating Assembly Christmas Fair 3.30 – 5.30pm
Tuesday 5 th December	Front Row Christmas Concert (pm)
Thursday 7 th December	Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am
Tuesday 12 th December	KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Nativity – 10.30am Reception Classes (Einstein & Nightingale) Nativity - 2pm Both Y5 classes to Stockport Academy to watch Frozen the Musical (pm)
Wednesday 13 th December	Reception Classes (Einstein & Nightingale) Nativity – 10.30am KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Nativity - 2pm Full Governing Board Meeting 2/6
Thursday 14 th December	EYFS and KS1 to Sale Waterside Theatre to watch The Snow Queen (am)
Friday 15 th December	CHPS sponsored Reindeer Run and Santa Dash
Monday 18 th December	UKS2 Christingle – 2pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Nursery Sing-A-Long-A-Christmas: songs & festive treats around the Christmas Tree 11am KS2 (Y3 – 6) to Peter Pan Panto at Stockport Plaza (pm – late arrival back to school)
Thursday 21 st December	CHPS Gets Festive: Christmas Dinner & Christmas Party – wear your own party clothes
Friday 22 nd December	INSET 2 / 5 – Staff only in school

Christmas Holidays: Friday 22nd December – Friday 5th January 2024

Monday 8 th January 2024	Spring term 2024 begins. Gates open at 8.40am: on time, all day, every day
Tuesday 9 th January	EYFS Stay & Play – Reception 8.45 – 9.45am / Nursery 2.15pm – 3.15pm
Wednesday 10 th January	Stay & Read with Me: 8.45 – 9.15am UKS2 Dodgeball Competition at Laurus
Thursday 11 th January	Stay & Read with Me: 8.45 – 9.15am
Friday 12 th January	Stay & Read with Me: 8.45 – 9.15am Y6 footballers @ Manchester City Football Academy Festival (TBC)
Thursday 18 th January	CHSP Voice – 2.30pm in staffroom
Monday 22 nd January	Y2 to Manchester Airport
Wednesday 31 st January	Full Governing Board Meeting 3/6
Friday 2 nd February	Family Night with Chris Mitchell (see post above) – 6.30 – 8.30pm
w/b Monday 5 th February	Stay & Learn Computing with Me – times to be arranged by individual class teachers
Tuesday 6 th February	Big Computing Day led by Mrs Mason-Singh
Wednesday 7 th February	Rags2Riches clothes collection – details to follow
Thursday 8 th February	Y6 to Chester Zoo

Half Term Holidays: Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2024

Monday 19 th February	INSET 3 / 5 – Staff only in school
Tuesday 20 th February	EYFS Stay & Play – Reception 8.45 – 9.45am / Nursery 2.15pm – 3.15pm
Thursday 29 th February	UKS2 football tournament at Stockport Academy
Tuesday 5 th March	KS2 SATs meeting for Y6 parents 5pm
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day World Book Day Immersive Storytelling with Miss Shelmerdine
Friday 8 th March	U11s Y6 footballers @ Manchester City Football Academy Festival
w/b Monday 11 th March	Science Week: Time!
Tuesday 12 th March	Stay & Learn Science with Me – times to be arranged by individual class teachers

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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 th September 2023	Friday 20 th October 2023
Autumn 2	Monday 30 th October 2023	Thursday 21 st December 2023
Spring 1	Monday 8 th January 2024	Friday 9 th February 2024
Spring 2	Tuesday 20 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
Summer 1	Monday 15 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
Summer 2	Monday 10 th June 2024	Friday 26 th July 2024
INSET days Staff only in attendance	1 Monday 4 th September 2023 2 Friday 22 nd December 2023 3 Monday 19 th February 2024 4 Monday 29 th July 2024 5 Tuesday 30 th 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 rd September 2024	Friday 18 th October 2024
Autumn 2	Monday 28 th October 2024	Thursday 19 th December 2024
Spring 1	Thursday 2 nd January 2025	Friday 14 th February 2025
Spring 2	Monday 24 th February 2025	Friday 11 th April 2025
Summer 1	Monday 28 th April 2025	Friday 23 rd May 2025
Summer 2	Monday 9 th June 2025	Friday 25 th July 2025
INSET days Staff only in attendance	1 Monday 2 nd September 2024 2 To be confirmed 3 To be confirmed 4 To be confirmed 5 To be confirmed	

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School Communications & Office Systems

Confused about the different ways we communicate to parents? See the list below for clarification:

	<p>School Spider is our home – school correspondence system. Our school website contains lots of useful information and forms.</p> <p>Under 'Parent Information' you will find information about admissions as well as 'Meet the Staff'. Under the School Office tab you will find Term Dates, Leave of Absence Form, school lunch information and menus and school uniform details.</p> <p>In addition to the website, you can also download the 'School Spider' app (select Cheadle Heath Primary School) to give you quick access to the newsletters, school calendar and parent login which we use for Parents Evenings and surveys.</p>		<p>If you would like to contact us via email, we have a number of email addresses. For same day responses always use the admin email address. The key stage addresses are for non-urgent emails and homework.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Meekley (Headteacher): headteacher@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Mrs. Vallance (Deputy Head & SENCO): tracey.vallance@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Mrs Topping (School Business Manager): finance@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • School Office: admin@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Sunrise & Sunset Club: admin@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Miss Johnston (EYFS / KS1 Phase Leader): louise.johnston@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Mrs Harrison-Watkins (KS2 Phase Leader): melissa.harrison@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk
	<p>Our school meals are provided by Dolce. School Grid is their online ordering and payment website which enables you to pre-order your child's meals in advance and arrange payment directly to Dolce where necessary. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 benefit from Universal Free School meals, so please take advantage of this by encouraging your child to try our school meals service.</p>		<p>Our Reception and Nursery Classes use the Portfolio section of Dojo as an Online Journal to add observations and photographs of your child for you to view from home. Parents are also encouraged to add details of special moments or activities linked to the curriculum.</p>
	<p>Letters from class and outside companies e.g. sports clubs flyers, may sometimes be put into your child's bookbag. Please ensure you check regularly for any correspondence. Your child's Home-School Diary is also a good way to communicate with your class teacher.</p>		<p>As a cashless school, we use an online payment website called Pay360. Payments for school trips, wrap around care, school events, nursery fees etc can all be paid via Pay360.</p>

Our Socials ...



Did you know you can follow us on Facebook and Instagram? These are both active social media sites so please do 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:



We do have a school X account (previously Twitter) but this is not used as much as our Facebook and Instagram pages and will be soon phased out, although school dog Tilly does have her own X account @tales_tilly ... maybe she needs an Insta!