

16th October 2019

Issue 4



HEALTHY

Wow it's nearly half term already, and what a busy half term it has been. There is a definite chill in the air so please send your child with a coat to school. We still go out at playtimes for fresh air and exercise even if it is drizzling /raining so please ensure that clothing is labelled. Remember, our second INSET day is on Friday 18th October so only staff will be in school.

Harvest 2019

On Thursday 17th October, Lower Key Stage 2 (Y3/4) will be leading our 2019 Harvest Festival by considering those around us who have very little food. We encourage the children to give thanks for everything they receive and to take time to think of those who have much less. We also ask them to take action and consider bringing in a food donation for The [Chelwood Foodbank](#) in Adswold, an independent foodbank serving the population of Stockport. They are not affiliated with any of the national foodbanks and rely solely on donations generously given by local people. We are asking for donations of non-perishable foods to be brought to school and will send out a reminder and further details nearer the time.

Aldi stickers

We have completed our [Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion](#) sports poster, which allows us to enter a draw for £20,000. The children also had fun adding their stickers to the chart which is displayed on the wall in the school hall. We are now attempting to double our chances by filling a second chart. When shopping at Aldi, please remember to ask for a sticker when you spend £30+ in the store and send it in to fill our chart before the promotion ends on the 3rd November.

Operation Eagle Eye

This week various year groups have been involved in Operation Eagle Eye looking at different aspects of road safety. Highlights have included Y5 participating in the crashed vehicle project, Y2 enjoying the Step Outside programme and Y6 taking part in 'Speedwatch' during which they used speed cameras to capture speeding motorists. This has really raised awareness about road safety and the dangers of speeding and parking for our children. In light of this we ask parents to avoid parking on pavements as this causes obstructions for wheelchairs and pushchairs, and opening doors are dangerous for pedestrians. Please remember that the school car park should also be left clear as this is for staff only and only Blue Badges and taxis are permitted into staff car park. Parking issues have been reported to police & are being passed to the Parking Enforcement Officers who will issue penalty notices.

School Photos

Children will be having their school photograph taken on Wednesday 6th November. All families will be taken together and pre school age children are invited to come before school from 8.30am.

Prospective parents open morning

It was great to welcome prospective parents to our first open morning today and we look forward to hosting the second open morning on **Wednesday 13th November** at 9.30am.

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Parents' Evening

Our first Parents' Evening took place last night and the second one is tomorrow, Thursday 17th October, from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Please make every effort to attend as the partnership between school and home is a crucial part of your child's primary education. We ask that you don't bring children to these meetings as there will be no supervision and we do not invite them to be part of the discussion. Thank you to all the parents who respect this request and make arrangements for child care. If you would like Mrs Vallance, our SENDCO (Special Needs Coordinator), to join you and the teacher for your appointment, please phone the office to arrange.

At Parents' Evening you will be asked to check the data information we have on record and in particular the emergency contact numbers. There have been occasions when parents have provided a mobile as an emergency number and the mobile has been switched off / changed.

Attendance

Here's the year to date attendance for each class:

• Reception	Pearl:	96.94%
• Reception	Sapphire:	95.97%
• Year 1	Jet:	96.10%
• Year 1	Ruby:	94.46%
• Year 2	Topaz:	94.87%
• Year 2	Amber:	97.32%
• Year 3	Amethyst:	97.78%
• Year 3	Quartz:	96.39%
• Year 4	Opal:	97.42%
• Year 4	Jade:	97.10%
• Year 5/6	Diamond:	94.90%
• Year 5/6	Garnet:	96.05%
• Year 5/6	Emerald:	97.49%

2019 2018 2017

This gives us an overall attendance figure of

• Attendance year to date:	96.37%	96.48%	97.64%
• September attendance:	96.24%	96.69%	97.74%

Best class year to date:

AMETHYST	97.78%
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Mrs Baker and I meet with the local authority attendance officer every three weeks and new attendance letters have been issued by the LA this term.

Please remember that holidays in term time **will not be authorised unless it is truly exceptional. This is not the local authority or school decision but the law! Please do not book holidays when your children should be at school learning!**
#ontimealldayeveryday

It's in the news!

[Child, four, among pupils taking weapons to school](#)

[Child gambling a 'growing problem' - study](#)

Clubs

Clubs have started now and children are enjoying a wide variety of extracurricular activities, especially at lunchtimes where we have increased the number of clubs on offer. Lunchtime clubs include, samba drums, choir, board games (daily) and Football. Current after school clubs are as follows:

1. Cheerleading Club (Y4 – 6) Monday 3.15 – 4.15pm (starting 28/10/19)
2. Football Club (Y4 - 6) Tuesday 3.15 - 4.15pm
3. Football Club (Girls Y1 – 6) Tuesday 3.15 – 4.15pm
4. Gymnastics Club (Y3 – 4) Wednesday 3.15 – 4.15pm
5. Netball Club (Y5 - 6) Thursday 3.15 – 4.15pm
6. Football Club (Y1 - 3) Thursday 3.15 - 4.15pm
7. Active Families Friday 3.30 – 4.30pm (starting 1/11/19)

For safeguarding reasons, and to ensure we know where the children are, please let us know in advance if your child is unable to attend a club. Thank you!

Contacting staff

The easiest and most effective way to contact the teaching and office staff is by phone (0161 428 2476) or by email. Please remember that we would prefer to hear from you at the earliest opportunity whenever there is a problem. Teachers are always willing to meet with parents when a problem first comes to light. Our aim is to resolve it as quickly as possible and, whenever possible, on the same day to prevent the problem developing. If you need to contact the class teacher and are unable to see them in the morning, please phone the school office and the teacher will give you a call. A note can also be written in the home school diary. You can email a member of the teaching staff but please be aware that this is not a 24 hour service and emails will not be answered after 6pm! Email addresses can be found by clicking [Our School > Staff](#) on our website.

A few gentle reminders ...

If your child has had a bout of sickness or diarrhoea, they must not return to school for 48 hours after the last occurrence.

This is standard procedure for schools and is in place to prevent the spread of these contagious illnesses.

- Please make a regular habit of checking your child for head lice. Unfortunately it is a common and frequently occurring issue in school and must be treated immediately. However, a full day's absence should not be taken to treat head lice and will not be authorised.

- Could you give up an hour or a morning a week to help teachers change reading books, help stick work into children's books or help in the library? The teachers would really appreciate your help. If you can, please contact [Mrs. Vallance](#), [Miss Lewis](#) or [Miss Harrison](#).

- Some UKS2 parents would like their children to walk home unaccompanied. Please let the school office know *in writing* if this is the case, so we know we can release your child without an adult present. Email notification to [Mrs Topping](#) is fine.

Have a great half term!

Christine Meekley & the staff at #teamCHPS

Autumn Term 2019 diary dates

The autumn term is always very busy (and long!) so there are many important events to enter into your diary. The diary dates are updated on each newsletter as, inevitably, additions and occasional changes do occur. Any amendments are indicated in red so that they are easy to identify.

Thursday 17 th October	Harvest Festival led by LKS2 (Y3/4)	All pupils plus LKS2 parents
Thursday 17 th October	Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parents
Friday 18 th October	INSET 2 / 5: Staff only in school	Staff only
Half term: Monday 21st – Friday 25th October		
Tuesday 29 th October	NHS to administer flu vaccine to Years R, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	Reception – Y6 pupils
Wednesday 30 th October	Big DT Day	Whole school
Wednesday 30 th October	Governing Board Teaching, Learning & Assessment Committee @ 3.30pm	Governors
Tuesday 5 th November	Cheadle Heath Voice – 9am – 10am ALL WELCOME	
Wednesday 6 th November	Tempest school photographer in to take individual & family group photos	
Thursday 7 th November	EYFS Stay & Play 8.45 – 9.30am	All EYFS parents
Thursday 7 th November	Discos – after school. Letters to follow.	All pupils
Friday 8 th November	Big Remembrance Day	
w/b Monday 11 th November	Anti Bullying week: Change Starts With Us	
Monday 11 th November	Governing Board Resources Committee	
Tuesday 12 th November	UKS2 to Imperial War Museum	
Wednesday 13 th November	Prospective Parents (2020 intake) Open Morning 9.30am	Prospective Parents
Wednesday 13 th November	Emerald Class Assembly	Emerald parents
Friday 15 th November	Reception & Y1 movie night @ 3.30am	Reception & Y1 pupils
Wednesday 20 th November	Jade Class Assembly	Jade Parents
Wednesday 27 th November	Amethyst Class Assembly	Amethyst parents
Wednesday 27 th November	Half of Y5 to Cheadle Hulme School as part of the science outreach work	TBC
Friday 29 th November	Christmas Fair – look out for details from Sarah Davies soon!	
Monday 2 nd December	Christmas Tree decorating assembly	Pupils
w/b Monday 2 nd December	Stay & Read Week	
Tuesday 3 rd December	Full Governing Board meeting 4pm	Governors
Wednesday 4 th December	Y6 Residential to Robinwood (Wednesday - Friday)	Y6 Pupils
Wednesday 4 th December	Half of Y5 to Cheadle Hulme School as part of the science outreach work	TBC
Tuesday 10 th December	EYFS (Nursery & Reception) Nativity: 10.30am	EYFS parents
Tuesday 10 th December	KS1 Nativity (Ruby, Jet, Amber & Topaz): 2pm	KS1 parents
Wednesday 11 th December	KS1 Nativity (Ruby, Jet, Amber & Topaz): 10.30am	
Wednesday 11 th December	EYFS (Nursery & Reception) Nativity: 2pm	EYFS parents
Monday 16 th December	Upper Key Stage 2 (Y5/6) Christingle Service in school 2pm & repeated at 6.30pm	Pupils & UKS2 parents
Monday 16 th December	Choir to Royal Northern College of Music	TBC
Tuesday 17 th December	Jack & the Beanstalk Panto @ Stockport Plaza (am)	Year 2 – 6 pupils
Thursday 19 th December	YR & Y1 to Sale Waterside to watch production of Mr Poppers Penguins (am)	YR & Y1 pupils
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Dinner (including Nursery) & Parties / School finishes at 2pm	
Christmas Holidays: Monday 23rd December – Monday 6th January 2020		
Monday 6 th January 2020	INSET (3/5) – school closed to pupils.	Staff only in school
Tuesday 7 th January	School reopens for the 2020 spring term	Everyone

School Terms & Holidays

These calendar dates can also be found on our website [here](#).

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