



HEADLINES



I would like to begin this issue of *Head Lines* with a huge 'thank you' to you, the school community, for making our 2019 Christmas Fair such a tremendous success. The Christmas season certainly started with a bang! Santa was visited, games played, tombola prizes won, toys and books sold, money counted and teddies stuffed and found new homes and loving arms. We haven't got the final amount raised yet but all money raised will go towards purchasing new Chromebooks for KS2. However big, however small, you made a difference so THANK YOU to you all. Functions like this can't happen without the good will of people like you making a contribution and attending on the day, particularly those who were so generous in giving their time on a stall. My biggest thanks go to Sarah Davies and her army of helpers. It took months of hard work leading up to the fair so, on behalf of the school community, THANK YOU VERY MUCH! Same time, same place next year!

RAFFLE PRIZES

All raffles were drawn publicly at the Fair and the winning tickets are listed below. We didn't record names on the tickets so please check below to see if you are a winner. We will be keeping all the raffle tickets and any unclaimed prizes will be raffled at one of the Christmas performances. Please collect any prizes from the office ASAP. The £100 first prize in the cash raffle hasn't been claimed so check your tickets! It will be redrawn on Friday 6th December if the prize is not claimed by then.

- **CASH PRIZE RAFFLE**
1st prize £100: White 36
2nd £40: COLLECTED ON THE NIGHT
- **MAIN RAFFLE**
1st prize: Hamper Pink 110
2nd prize: claimed on the night
3rd prize: Pink 152
4th prize: Pink 129
5th prize: Yellow 173
6th prize: Yellow 52

CLIPBOARD AUCTION

All winning bidders on the clipboard auction have been contacted. If winning bidders haven't claimed their prize with full payment by Friday, we will PUT THE ITEMS IN A RAFFLE FOR THE CHRISTMAS SHOWS. There were many bargains to be had on the night and it was great to see everyone enjoying this 'live eBay' auction event. There were a few grumblings after the auction so, in line with our overall evaluation of the fair, we will make some minor changes to the auction for next year. One change will be that bids can only go up in identified denominations (i.e. £1 / £2.50 / £5 depending on the item) and not go up by 1p as happened this year, and secondly, we will have a minimum starting bid on some items so that bidding doesn't start at £0.00 or £0.01.

As final preparations for Christmas nativities are made, the school is buzzing with excitement. Here is some important information for everyone to note ...

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CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATION

We are putting our Christmas tree up this week and will have our annual tree dressing assembly for all children on Thursday. Everyone is invited to bring a decoration (either homemade or one from home) for this special assembly so that they feel ownership of the tree. Please don't make them too big or heavy as the tree will sag! The tree will be taken down on Thursday 19th December (the day before we break up) so that children can take them home. Any uncollected ones will be disposed of on the last day of term (20th December).

CHRISTMAS POST

Our free postal service (internal school mail only!) will be open for delivery from Monday 9th December when post will be delivered around school. Pupils are asked not to bring any Christmas cards into school until then.

CHRISTMAS TICKETS

KEY STAGE 1

On 10th and 11th December, children in Key Stage 1 (KS1) will be performing their spectacular Christmas show 'Midwife in Crisis!' Admission is by ticket only & letters have been distributed. Performance times & dates are:

- Tuesday 10th December: 2pm
- Wednesday 11th December: 10.30am

We are bound by fire regulations as to how many tickets we can allocate but always attempt to ensure that at least every mum / dad / carer can see their child perform in one show. With this in mind, please claim your tickets by the dates & times set out in the ticket letter.

FOUNDATION STAGE

Nursery & Reception parents are invited to 'A Miracle In Town', on the dates & times below:

- Tuesday 10th December: 10.30am
- Wednesday 11th December: 2pm

The ticket letter has been distributed.

KEY STAGE 2 CHRISTINGLE

Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6) will be performing their Christingle service in the school hall on Monday 16th December at 2pm and 6.30pm. Please join us for this special event. The ticket letter will be distributed shortly.

TURNING ADVENT AROUND

For the vast majority, Advent is a time of opening windows on a calendar and watching the children's faces as they devour a piece of chocolate! It's a magical time in school and great to see the excitement build as we get closer to Christmas. However, this year, we are going to do a reverse Advent. That is, rather than Advent being a season of 'taking', we are trying to turn it around to be a season of 'giving' something back to those less fortunate than us.

During Advent we are asking children to bring in a tinned food item which we can put into the foodbank to help those in need within Stockport. A recent report confirmed that over 9,000 children live in poverty in the Stockport area so it would be great to bring some Christmas cheer into the lives of these families. The box is ready for donations in the entrance to school.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas dinner is on the last day of term (Friday 20th December) and all children are invited to join in, including Nursery. The letter will be distributed soon. This is also Christmas party day. We combine the two occasions so that we do not have excessive waste at the parties. You will not be asked to send party food in as the party will be games and fun activities and will not include party food. All children can wear their own clothes / party clothes on this last day of term.

PHOTOGRAPHS AT THE CHRISTMAS EVENTS

We do allow photographs to be taken but ask for them not to be placed on social media. For some children in our school, having their images on sites such as Facebook, could potentially put them at risk. Please respect this request and don't put our children at risk.

EVACUATION PROCEDURES AT THE CHRISTMAS EVENTS

It is important that you are aware of what would happen if we needed to evacuate the building if the alarm is sounded. There is no mistaking the alarm bell; it is a continuous, loud ringing-type sound. If the alarm sounds during the school day, children exit through fire doors nearest where they are working and assemble on the playground or field. For any other event, we ask you to assemble at the far end of the playground, near the Edgeley Road fence, which is where the staff would take the children to meet you. The Fire Service strongly advise everyone to have a [Fire Action Plan](#) which is a plan for what to do in the event of a fire at home. Perhaps this is a good time of year to discuss what to do in the event of a fire at home.

Safeguarding Children

Safeguarding children is of primary importance at Cheadle Heath Primary. If you **ever** have any concerns or worries that a child or young person is at risk or is being abused please do not hesitate to contact the designated safeguarding leads; Ms Meekley or Mrs Vallance. In addition, members of the public who have a concern about a child should call **0161 217 6028** or, if you think that the child is at immediate risk of harm call the Police on **999**. Child abuse includes physical, sexual and emotional abuse, and neglect. You can read more about the [signs of child abuse](#). You don't need to be sure that a child or young person has been abused - it's OK to report a suspicion.

Remember!

We break up for Christmas on Friday 20th December at 2pm. School will re-open again for children on Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 8.45am (Monday 6th January is INSET and staff will be receiving full day training about trauma and attachment as part of a Timpson project supporting mental health that we are involved in.)

Best wishes,

Christine Meekley & the staff at #teamCHPS



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Autumn Term 2019 diary dates

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.

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
Thursday 5 th December	Christmas Tree decorating assembly Note day change	Pupils
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	UKS2 (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	Choir only
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

Term dates 2019 – 20

	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:
Autumn 1	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Thursday 17 th October 2019
Autumn 2	Monday 28 th October 2019	Friday 20 th December 2019 at 2pm
Spring 1	Tuesday 7 th January 2020	Friday 14 th February 2020
Spring 2	Monday 24 th February 2020	Friday 3 rd April 2020 at 2pm
Summer 1	Monday 20 th April 2020	Thursday 21 st May 2020
Summer 2	Monday 8 th June 2020	Friday 24 th July 2020 at 2pm
Remaining INSET days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 6th January 2020 Friday 22nd May 2020 Monday 27th July 2020 	

Term dates 2020 – 21

	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:
Autumn 1	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020	Friday 23 rd October 2020
Autumn 2	Monday 2 nd November 2020	Tuesday 22 nd December 2020
Spring 1	Thursday 7 th January 2021	Friday 12 th February 2021
Spring 2	Monday 22 nd February 2021	Friday 26 th March 2021
Summer 1	Monday 12 th April 2021	Friday 28 th May 2021
Summer 2	Monday 14 th June 2021	Wednesday 28 th July 2021
INSET days	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday 1st September TBC TBC TBC TBC 	