



## CHESTERTON NEWSLETTER

4<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear parents/ carers,

I would like to welcome everybody back after the summer break. I hope you all had a fantastic time. It was lovely to see so many of you this morning on the gate. ☺

The children looked superb in school this morning. We started the day with an assembly welcoming everybody back and the Y6 children found out their prefect roles; I am sure they will all do superbly in their roles. We had a few new children and staff start today and the rest of the school gave them a lovely warm welcome and helped them familiarise themselves with the school.

Walking round the classes today, you'll be pleased to know that maths and English lessons have been taking place with the children being expected to give their best from the start.

We have a few initiatives starting this year which you will hear more about over the course of the year. A couple of reminders, however – there is a meeting for parents next Monday from 4-6pm to introduce “Ollie and his Superpowers”. The meeting will be in the hall with a crèche being provided by Mrs Jeffrey and Mrs Day. The event is free for parents of children at Chesterton with a £5 charge for non-family members. For Y5 parents, swimming will be starting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

I hope you have a great week. ☺

Toni Jackson

### ECO SCHOOL

We are looking to achieve “ECO School” status this year. To help achieve the status we need a team of children from across the school to work with some staff and parents/ carers to introduce and monitor the ECO initiatives. The team has to be primarily led by the children with most of the work being undertaken by the children. It would be useful, however, to also have a couple of parents/ carers on the team; meetings will be held during the school day. If you would be interested in being part of the team, please could you email me [TJackson@chestertonprimary.org](mailto:TJackson@chestertonprimary.org). Many thanks.

### ATTENDANCE NEWS!

Obviously good attendance has a massive impact on how well a child achieves in school. We have been set a target of 96.2% for this academic year which means we will need to improve our attendance by 1%. Whilst this doesn't sound much, it will be a struggle to achieve if attendance continues as it did last year. We do, however, have our attendance team and our Family Support Worker and we will all be working together to achieve our target. I would like to thank you in advance for your support in this.

If you wish to see a copy of our attendance policy you can ask for one at the office or look at our website.

### CLASSES FOR THIS YEAR

Reception	Pine Class	Miss Khokhar
Year 1	Elm Class	Miss Bowers
Year 2	Beech Class	Miss Sutherland
Year 3	Elder Class	Mrs Smith
Year 4	Hazel Class	Miss Storey
Year 5	Hawthorn Class	Mr Martin/ Mr Douglas
Year 6	Oak Class	Ms Chapman

**DATES FOR THE DIARY:** 9<sup>th</sup> September – meeting about “Ollie and his Superpowers” 4-6pm. 13<sup>th</sup> September – Roald Dahl day. 13<sup>th</sup> September – SOCs Bring and Share picnic. 18<sup>th</sup> September – Y5 start swimming. 30<sup>th</sup> September – start collecting food donations for Harvest.

*Did you know that on this day in .....*

- 1282 – Peter III of Aragon became King of Sicily.
- 1882 – The Pearl Street Station in New York City became the first power plant to supply electricity to paying customers.
- 1998 – Google is founded by Larry Page and Sergey Brin, two students at Stanford University.