

GREAT CHESTERFORD C. OF E. PRIMARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER WEEK ENDING JANUARY 12th 2018

Dear Parents,

Class 2 have been looking at the artist Guiseppe Arcimboldo and have designed their own pictures. Here is a selection of their finished pieces.



Mrs Judith Langton

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs Langton who is now teaching Class 3 as a job share with Mrs Raper. Mrs Langton is in school each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and will be able to meet Class 3 parents formally at our forthcoming parent consultations at the end of this month.

Mr Brown

Mr Robin Brown has decided to take early retirement as he continues to receive medical treatment for ill health. We will update all parents once we have finalised arrangements for our retirement farewell. Mr Brown has supported our school as a teacher and promotor of sport for many years and we will be showing our appreciation for his enthusiastic commitment later this term. A collection is taking place and if you would like to contribute to his retirement gift, please send your contribution in an envelope marked 'Mr Brown's Collection'.

Neil O'Sullivan Sports

Neil O'Sullivan Sports are opening an after school club for Great Chesterford Primary Academy and he is delighted to announce that this will be starting on 29th January. Booking Forms, Parent Handbooks and Registration Forms will be available in the school office next week.

Wool request

Inspiration Station would be grateful of any donations of plain coloured wool. Please leave any contributions in the school office - thank you.

Inconsiderate Parking

It is disappointing that we have already received complaints of inconsiderate parking from local residents. It is not acceptable to obstruct people's driveways - even for a couple of minutes. If driving to school is necessary, please allow adequate time for safe and considered parking - thank you. Can we also request that drivers take particular care when driving along Church Street - we have been informed of a car mounting the pavement which could have had fatal consequences.

Tidiest classroom of the week

This week's winning class is Year 6 - well done!

Mrs Sarah Mitchell

Headteacher

SIGNUPTOSING Youth Choir, part of Saffron Walden Choral Society, welcomes singers from years 4 to 7 for fun, friendly and fast-moving rehearsals and performances! Singers develop their musical skills while learning varied, adventurous repertoire, with lots of opportunity for harmony singing and solo performances.

COMING UP....

Spring Term: 7 rehearsals and an informal concert featuring choruses and solos

Summer Term: 3 rehearsals leading up to...

MAY 12th: SignuptoSing join Granta Chorale for PEPYS SHOW, a concert in Saffron Hall, where they will sing in Bob Chilcott's Songs and Cries of London Town

Conductor – Janet Wheeler

To sign up, or for more details, contact us on suts@swchoral.org.uk Termly fees based on a charge of £6 per rehearsal

Please see the attached flyer for further information.

X:Site

X:Site, the fun-filled, multi-media event for kids is back this weekend! The group, now in its 7th year, is run by local churches for junior school children in Years 3-6, and is happening on Saturday, 13 Jan 2018 at Saffron Walden Community Church, (ex Methodist) Castle Street, Saffron Walden. It runs from 6-8pm and costs just £2.50 for a fun evening learning about Jesus and the bible including games, activities, competitions, singing with a live band and the much-loved gunging of the leaders, if you liked VBS you will love this. No need to book – just bring the kids and their friends along and there is a prize for everyone who finds the number hidden under the gold bar on the website. If you've not been before, and to save time on the night, please visit www.sw-xsite.org.uk and download the registration form. You can also see photos on the Events page of the website from previous X:Site events to get an idea of how much fun we have. For more information, please phone Tony on 01799 520870.

Stagecoach

Sing! - February Half Term Workshop 2018

This Spring Half Term, Stagecoach Saffron Walden are running a Singing Masterclass for all 5-16 year olds, on Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th February, at Chesterfords Community Centre. During this two day course students will work with singing specialist Emma Donnelly to explore different singing styles and put on a performance for family and friends. The two day course costs just £75.

<https://www.stagecoach.co.uk/saffronwalden#workshops>

Attachments:

Parenting an Anxious Child - workshop in Saffron Walden

IWM Duxford - job advert

Lego Masters TV show advert

The Chesterfords Preschool - job advert

Flu Catch up clinic poster

iChurch flyer: 21 Jan 2018

SIGNUPTOSING flyer

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
17th January	Swimming Gala
30th January	Parents' Consultation 3:45-6:15pm
31st January	Parents' Consultation 5:30-8:00pm
1st February	Class 2 Trip to Pizza Express
12th-16th February	Half term
26th February-2nd March	Book Week
15th March	Class 6 Trip to the Botanic Gardens
21st March	Open Afternoon - focus on building developments
29th March	Easter Service at All Saints' Church
16th April	Non pupil day
17th April	Pupils return to school
14th-18th May	Year 6 SATs Week
21st May	Open Morning - sharing success
22nd May	Music Evening 6.30pm
28th May-1st June	Half term
4th -8th June	Science Week
3rd July	Years 5 and 6 Summer Play
4th July	Years 5 and 6 Summer Play
6th July	Transition afternoon tbc
9th July	Transition afternoon tbc
10th July	Reception Class Open Evening 4pm
11th July	Open Evening 6-8pm (All classes)
12th July	Sports Day
13th July	Year 6 Memories Assembly
13th July	Reserve Sports Day
15th-18th July	Year 6 Residential
20th July	Leavers' Church Service Last day of term
20th July	Year 6 Entertainment
23rd July	Non-pupil day