

GREAT CHESTERFORD C. OF E. PRIMARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER WEEK ENDING MARCH 29th 2018

Dear Parents,

Easter Service

Thank you to the children and staff for leading such a thoughtful service this morning. I am sure that the whole congregation enjoyed each of our performances. In our busy lives, it is important to stop, reflect and spare thoughts for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Bunny Hunt

"Thank you to all those families who came along on Saturday to the Easter Bunny Hunt. It was a real success with many families following the 'Hop' or 'Bounce' around the village looking for the hidden bunnies and then back to the school for tea and cake, egg throwing, face painting, and other fun games. There was even a human fruit machine! Thank you to everyone who helped set up on the day, baked cakes, donated raffle prizes, ran the stalls and cleared up afterwards - an event like this cannot happen without lots of people willing to help. Also special thanks to Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Davies and Mrs Sargeant for giving up their Saturday to help us too. We raised over £1500 which will go towards the school playground improvements and we have donated £200 to Sport Relief 2018. Happy Easter everyone! The Friends"

Thank you from the children and staff to our fantastic Friends who provide a range of events for the whole school community in addition to raising funds that will benefit all pupils in the school. Well done to our pupils who ran stalls at the Bunny Hunt; they demonstrated a super level of responsibility and carried out their role with great enthusiasm. Not forgetting their supportive parents.

Social media, You Tube and Open Blogs

Please can I remind parents that films and photographs taken in school that include children other than your own should not be shared on social media sites, YouTube channels and open blogs. It has been brought to our attention that some families have been posting assembly footage and photographs from various school events in this way. Please can we request that any such posts are taken down. Not all of our families have provided permission for the online posting of images and we would expect anyone wanting to share such content online to obtain consent from all individuals in the footage or image first. If such public posts are not removed, we will have to withdraw the permission for the filming and photographing of school events. Thank you for your cooperation.

McDougall Baking Competition

Thank you to everyone in Years 3, 4 and 5 who submitted recipes for this competition. We were delighted to have so many entries but unfortunately the team was restricted to 3 pupils. We will however, be making use of your super recipe suggestions at lunchtimes.

Summer Term

In the hope that we are blessed with glorious sunshine on our return to school for the summer term, please can I remind parents of our hot weather requirements. Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school everyday. On sunny days, children will be expected to wear a sun hat; sunscreen should be applied before children come to school - there is a wide selection of long-lasting sun protection on the market. Children should always wear socks to school. Please inform the school if your child suffers from hay fever and complete the administration of medicine forms if required - thank you.

Summer Term Clubs

Details of Summer Term clubs will be sent out on the first day of the new term.

Tidiest classroom of the week

This week's tidiest classroom has been Class 4 - well done!

Healthcare Message

Public Health England has issued a warning about head lice eradication products and the risk of serious burns if treated hair is exposed to open flames or other sources of ignition, e.g, cigarettes. The link below provides further detail.

<https://www.gov.uk/drug-safety-update/head-lice-eradication-products-risk-of-serious-burns-if-treated-hair-is-exposed-to-open-flames-or-other-sources-of-ignition-eg-cigarettes>

May I take this opportunity to wish the children, parents and staff a lovely Easter break. Enjoy this family time to recharge but don't eat too much chocolate!

Mrs Sarah Mitchell
Headteacher

Easter Holiday clubs at the Chesterfords Community Centre:

Elite Pro soccer Academy

Great Chesterford Recreation Ground

Boys and Girls welcome

3,4,5,10,12,13 April ...

£15 per session

9.00am - 12.30pm

Contact: eliteprosocceracademy@gmail.com, Tel 07921564801/01799532039

((BOUNCE)) BAMBINO is coming to GREAT CHESTERFORD this EASTER HALF TERM!

FRIDAY, 6th April @ 10.30am -11.30am

Mini-trampoline fitness class just for kids! Aimed at boys and girls aged 4-10 years - these energetic sessions feature basic jumping routines to fun music and also incorporate games focusing on making fitness fun!

www.bookwhen.com/bouncegreatchesterford

Great Chesterfords Easter Dodgeball Camp!

The Winger Sports Academy Ltd are taking Dodgeball around Essex this Easter with their 'Dodgeball Roadshow'.

Bringing Dodgeball to children of ages 6 - 12 years old of all abilities!

DATE: Wednesday 4th April 2018

TIME: 9am - 12pm

VENUE: Chesterfords Community Centre, Newmarket Road,

COST: £12.00 per person

All Winger Sports Academy Ltd coaches are fully qualified, have Disclosure and Barring Service certificates and are first aid trained.

For more Dodgeball information:

Email: info@wingersportsacademy.com

Tel: Pete: 07772 351770 / Mike 07912879927

www.wingersportsacademy.com

At Easter 2018, Stagecoach Saffron Walden are running a Holiday Workshop for 5-16 year olds, from Monday 9th to Friday 13th April 2018, at Chesterfords Community Centre.

During this five-day course students will work with our specialist, DBS checked teachers to create a performance of singing, dance and drama for family and friends, which will be presented on the Friday afternoon at 3pm. Students help to devise the script alongside popular songs from musicals, movies and the charts, and every student has a speaking role within the performance. The workshop costs £165 for the week and sibling discounts also apply. No previous experience is necessary, only energy and enthusiasm!

The classes are high energy and fun. Whether you are looking to learn new skills, make friends or build confidence Stagecoach has something to offer your child. Book now at <https://www.stagecoach.co.uk/saffronwalden#workshops> or call 01799 588246 for more information.

Saffron Walden Library

We are holding a free Easter Crafts event for children up to 10 years old* on Tuesday 3 April, 10.30-11.30am.

Children can have fun making crispy nests and other Easter themed crafts, plus follow the Easter trail.

*Children aged 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Attachments:
Inspiration Station - Easter Make
Fab Science Easter Holiday Camp

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
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