

GREAT CHESTERFORD C. OF E. PRIMARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER WEEK ENDING MAY 4th 2018

Dear Parents,

Key Stage One Playground Improvements

Key Stage One are having so much fun on their new play equipment! We look forward to showing you these new resources at our next Open Morning on Monday 21st May. Many thanks must go to our Friends Committee for their tireless and enthusiastic fundraising that has enabled the school to realise this exciting pupil-led project. Thank you to all of our parents, families and staff who have supported our fundraising events, including: film nights, cake sales, Beauty, Bubbles and Bling, etc. A special thank you must also be given to the Jane Bradbury Educational Foundation for their donation to these playground improvements. Please continue to support the Friends' fundraising so that we can implement improvements to our Key Stage Two playground.



School Football League

The small schools football league has now come to end for the 2017/2018 season. Unfortunately, due to wet weather and pitch conditions several schools were not able to play all of their matches this year. Many congratulations go to Birchanger school who finished at the top of the league. A great number of children represented Great Chesterford in matches this year, led by our captain Billy Van Weede, and all showed great determination with a positive attitude throughout. The team's resilience and teamwork was a wonderful example of 'Together We Are Great'. Many thanks to all of our parents who provided transport and supported the matches. Thank you to Mrs White for organising and managing our football squad.

Cake Sales

Our Friday fundraising cake sales continued with Class Six last Friday. On a very wet afternoon, the Class 6 bakers and sellers had to hold their sale in the hall but this did not deter our eager customers and £117 was raised towards the playground improvements - well done everyone!

Topic inspired art work

On this bright and sunny morning, Nancy in Year 1 provided us with a lovely treat. Inspired by her class topic: 'Bugs, Butterflies and Beautiful Blooms', she has produced an eye catching piece of art which she shared with her class today - lovely work Nancy!

Scarlet Fever

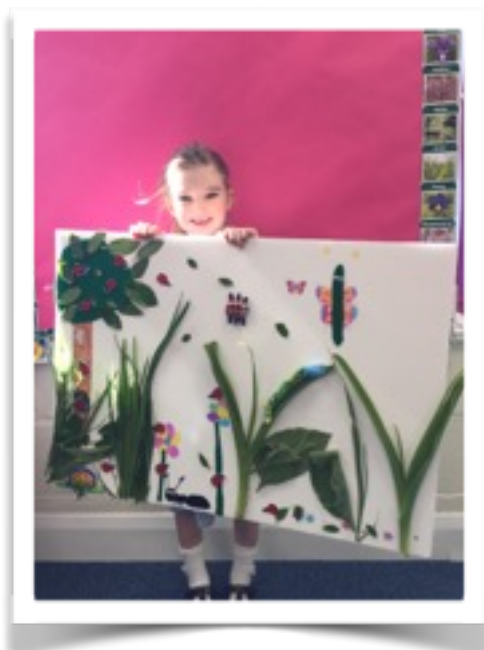
Please be aware that we have had a reported case of scarlet fever in Key Stage 2. The first signs of scarlet fever can be flu-like symptoms, including a high temperature, swollen glands and sore throat. A rash usually appears a few days later. Please contact your GP if you have any concerns regarding your own child.

Slapped Cheek Disease

There have been many cases of Slapped Cheek in Key Stage One. Early symptoms can include a sore throat, headache and high temperature followed by a bright red rash most often on the cheeks. Slapped Cheek is caused by a virus which is contagious before the rash develops. Please contact your GP if you have any concerns for your child's health.

Save the Orang-utans

A group of our Year 5 girls are organising a table top sale to support this endangered species with their fundraising activity. Arabella, Darcey, Emma, Georgia, Lois and Olivia will be holding the sale on Friday May 18th at 3.15pm in the school playground. Their sale will include: cakes, home-designed note books and much more! Please support this good cause and help save the orang-utans.



Royal Celebration Tea Party

Friday 25th May 2pm – 3pm

We are hosting a Royal Celebration Tea Party in our school playground. This event is for the residents of the Chesterfords and our school families. We will be serving tea and cake and providing entertainment during the afternoon.

We hope you will be able to join us.

Please RSVP to the School Office in person, by telephone 01799 530292 or via e-mail admin@greatchesterford.essex.sch.uk

by Friday 18th May

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Sarah Mitchell
Headteacher

Attachments:

Royal Tea Party Letter

Message from Saffron Centre for Young Musicians

Saturday 19 May, Millers Music will be at the Saffron Centre for Young Musicians (SCYM, based at Saffron Walden County High School, with an array of instruments for children to try at 12:15. If there is a particular instrument your child would like to try, please let Sophie Stafford know (email: info@saffroncym.org) so she can ensure there is one available! Non-members of SCYM are very welcome to come along.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
14th-18th May	Year 6 SATs Week
21st May	Open Morning - sharing success
22nd May	Music Evening 6.30pm
25th May	Royal Celebration Tea Party - details to follow
28th May-1st June	Half term
4th -8th June	Science Week
15th June	Year 5 visit to Kentwell Hall
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
19th July	Year 2 visit to Sealife Centre, Southend
20th July	Leavers' Church Service
20th July	Year 6 Entertainment
20th July	Last day of term
23rd July	Non-pupil day