GREAT CHESTERFORD C. OF E. PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER WEEK ENDING MAY 25th 2018

Dear Parents,

Music Evening

Thank you to the many parents, friends and relatives who joined us on Tuesday evening to celebrate the great musical talents we have in school. With over eighty pupils taking part, the event demonstrated how valued music is at Great Chesterford C. of E. Primary Academy. Thank you to all the teaching staff, peripatetic teachers and many volunteers that provide access to such a wide range of musical opportunities for our pupils. A special thank you must go to Mrs Witney our Music Coordinator for organising this event and promoting music throughout the school. All of our participants were musical stars on Tuesday and should be congratulated for their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm well done!







Music Lessons

For any children who have been inspired by our performers this week, we will have a number of spaces for individual music lessons from September when our Year 6 musicians move on to secondary school. The school currently offers individual lessons for: strings, piano, woodwind and brass. Please contact the school office for further information if your child is interested in starting music lessons.

Royal Tea Party

The children look amazing today in their red, white and blue! Thank you for your kind donations of cake; the whole school community and friends are looking forward to our Royal Tea Party this afternoon.

Kwik Cricket Tournament

Great Chesterford represented the school in both the boys and girls USSP Kwik Cricket Tournament on Wednesday. Both teams were great ambassadors for the school and played with great enthusiasm and positive spirit. The girls came second in their pool - winning 2 matches and losing one (by a very narrow margin). The boys won their pool and played the final against Newport primary School - they were pipped to the post by only one run, achieving second place overall. The boys are now through to the next stage of the competition - well done to everyone who took part. Positive feedback was received regarding improving cricket skills and for exemplary behaviour. Thank you to Mr Duers, Mrs White, Mr Altaparmakov, Miss Bond, Mrs Jeremy, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Van Weede for supporting the teams and helping with transport.

Wedding Dress Fashion Show

As part of our work on British Values, the Royal Family and a famous wedding, we had great fun in our Friendship Groups making wonderful wedding gowns for our teachers. Children demonstrated creativity, super team work and a great sense of fun. Photographs of these original creations can be seen on our school twitter feed.

Year 5 girls support the Orangutan Foundation

Well done to Arabella, Georgia, Lois, Emma, Olivia, Darcey and Kasia for organising, promoting and holding a table top sale with all proceeds going to the Orangutan Foundation. The girls enjoyed great success raising an impressive total of £176.30. In completing this venture, the girls demonstrated a great deal of compassion and environmental awareness alongside 'buckets full' of enthusiasm.

On-line payment transaction charges

Please note that our on-line payments no longer attract a 29p transaction charge.

Breakfast Club

Children must be pre-booked into Breakfast Club. We do have staff ratios that we have to abide by. If you turn up with your child without having booked them in, you may face the risk of them being turned away. We ask that all bookings are made by the end of the preceding school day. Thank you for your understanding.

MDA Appeal

Would anyone like to earn a little extra as a school MDA every Friday? Please contact the school office if you are interested.

I would like to wish all of our families, volunteers and staff a happy, healthy and peaceful half term holiday. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Sarah Mitchell Headteacher

Attachments: OffBeat Poster Fowlmere Pond Dipping Poster Prime Brass Summer in the City

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
28th May-1st June	Half term
4th June	Year 1 visit to Hatfield Forest
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