



Cheddar First School

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NSPCC

All the children in Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 had a presentation from the NSPCC this morning. Tim and Sarah talked to the children about the types of things that can worry, upset or hurt children and reminded them that they all have the right to be heard. They asked the children to remember to speak to a 'trusted' adult or Childline if they were worried about anything. As a parent/carer, if you are worried about a child you can contact the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000 for help, advice and support. It's free and you can remain anonymous. The School Council also met with Sarah and discussed ways in which we could help raise funds for the NSPCC. The School Council are currently working on some plans and we will let you know more after half term.

Mrs Bishop

We said goodbye to Mrs Bishop this afternoon and she was presented with an amazing hamper, flowers and Katie Boo vouchers, as well as pictures and cards. Thank you to everyone who has sent their good wishes. Mrs Bishop will be greatly missed. We wish her every success with her new ventures and hope she will keep in touch.



FPTA News:

Be safe, be seen!

High vis jackets are now available. £3 each (£1 goes to the FPTA). Available in yellow, orange and pink. Sizes 4-6 years and 7-9 years. You can order by collecting an order form from the office or emailing victoriaroberts78@btinternet.com directly.

Next FPTA meeting: 22nd February at 1:45pm in the Children's Centre.

Dates for your diary:

- March 16th FPTA Chocolate Bingo
- Kid's Rave - Sunday 22nd April 1:30-3:30pm
- May 12th May Fair

Week beginning February 19th

Monday 19th

Year 3 & 4 Sports Club 3:30-4:30pm

Tuesday 20th

Year 4 Brass lessons

3:30pm Charterhouse Meeting Yr 3 pupils and parents

Wednesday 21st

Reception Dinosaur Workshop

Year 2 Swimming

Year 1 & 2 Sports Club 3:30-4:30pm

Thursday 24th

Cheddar First School Singers 3:30-4:30pm

Friday 25th

Clothes Collection

3:30pm Kestrel Class Cake Stall

Clothes Collection

If you're having a clear out over the Half Term holidays, please bring in your bagged, unwanted clothes for recycling to help raise funds for the FPTA. We will be collecting clothes, shoes (in pairs), hand bags, towels etc during the week commencing Monday 19th February. No "brick a brac" please. All donations to be bagged and an FPTA representative will be on hand to receive your donations. All donations will be collected at 10am on Friday 23rd February. This is a great and easy way to raise funds for the school and for you to have a clear out at the same time! £300 was raised in November so let's see if we can beat that!

Holiday Clubs

Please look out for a questionnaire about Holiday Clubs which has been sent home in book bags today and return it to the school office by 23rd February. Thank you.

Family Assembly

Parents/Carers and other family members are invited to come and share in their child's class assembly. The dates are as follows:

- 2nd March Goldfinch Class
- 20th April Woodpecker Class
- 11th May Kestrel and Falcon Class
- 25th May Puffin and Swan Class
- 6th July Kingfisher Class

Family assemblies start at 2:45pm in the School Hall

Cake Stalls

Each month one of the classes organises a cake stall in the school hall. These events are extremely popular and the money raised is used to pay for resources for cooking, craft and design activities. Cake stalls take place at 3:30pm in the School Hall. The dates for this year are:

- 23rd February Kestrel Class
- 9th March Swan Class
- 23rd March Wren Class
- 27th April Robin Class
- 8th June Kingfisher Class



Dates for your diary	
9 th February	School Closed to pupils for Staff Training
12 th – 16 th Feb	Half Term Break
21 st February	Dinosaur Workshop – Wren and Robin Class
2 nd March	Goldfinch Class assembly
8 th March	Year 1 Sports Festival at Fairlands 1:30pm – 3:00pm
9 th March	Swan Class Cake Stall
15 th March	Year 4 parents' meeting about the Kilve Residential at 7pm
16 th March	FPTA Chocolate Bingo –more information to follow
19 th /22 nd March	Parent/teacher appointments 4 – 6:30pm
26 th March - 6 th April	Easter Holidays School Starts again on Monday 9 th April

Spring Crafts Family Session

Spring into crafty action at a family session on Friday 16th February at 2:30pm at Cheddar Library and make a variety of cards and decorations. The Sewing and Craft Group who meet at the library invite children (accompanied by a parent, grandparent or carer) to this Spring Holiday Family Session. Please telephone Cheddar Library on 0300 123 2224 to book a place, or e-mail chelib@somerset.gov.uk. There will be a 50p charge for materials."

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

As you know we are working hard to keep overall attendance in the school above 97%. Currently the figure is 95.8% which is below our target but there has been lots of illness and we are optimistic that this figure will rise.

Weekly percentage figures:

Kingfisher Class	96.6
Goldfinch Class	99.0
Skylark Class	96.6
Woodpecker Class	92.1
Falcon Class	92.8
Kestrel Class	98.1
Puffin Class	96.7
Swan Class	95.3

Well done to Goldfinch Class!

Term Dates 2017/18

Term dates and In-service days for 2017/18 are on the school website

www.cheddarfirstschool.co.uk under Key Documents.

The term dates for 2018/19 are now also available on our website

Please note holidays in term time cannot be authorised.