

16 July 2021

Dear Parents,

I cannot believe this is the last newsletter I will write as Headteacher of Chacewater School. It has been a wonderful 11 years and I am very proud of all that the school has achieved.

Thank you to you for your support as parents and carers, the amazing staff and governors I have worked with, the phenomenal support from the Friends of Chacewater, the incredible Parish Council and most importantly thankyou for allowing us the privilege to look after your wonderful children.

Next week we say goodbye to some amazing people who have given so much to the school. Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Saxton are retiring. As I mentioned in a previous newsletter, their combined time at the school adds up to well over 60 years! We will miss them all but wish them the most fantastic retirement.

There is a lot of important information in the newsletter today in preparation for next week. We break up at <u>2pm on Wednesday</u> from the usual places. Please see the dates section for returning to school. Class teachers will be contacting children at the start of term with information as to how the new drop off will work.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the weather.

Mr Gould

<u>Congratulations</u> to Mrs. Rice. This week she completed her training to be a TIS (Trauma Informed Schools Practitioner) which enables her to coordinate the support for the school's approach to mental health.

<u>Congratulations</u> to Miss. Thomas who is now Mrs. Glanville-Thomas. She got married this week. Like many others she has had to postpone the event several times during the pandemic and we are so pleased for her and her husband Craig that it could go ahead this week.

<u>**Reports</u>** - your child's end of term report will be coming home tonight in the school bags.</u>

Year 6 – we have done everything we can to give Year 6 the best possible send off from Chacewater School.

<u>Tuesday</u> - 1:30pm in the Village hall. The Lion King. Two parents/carers from <u>Year 6</u> are allowed to attend. Please arrive for 1:15pm. Only two are allowed. **Unfortunately I** will have to turn people away if there are more than two! We tried to have Year 5 parents as well but sadly the risk assessment for the Village hall meant we could not. We will be recording the show and making it available for parents. If parents test using lateral flow tests, this would be really helpful before the show but not mandatory. If you would like a kit I have some. Also, we would appreciate it if you can wear masks during the performance.

<u>Wednesday</u> - leavers assembly for Year 6 on our school grounds. Please come to the back of school via the car park and we will let you in at 1:10pm. This will be held outside on our school field.

<u>Sports Day</u> - due to several schools locally closing bubbles all week including today, we have held Sports Days. I had hoped to have the Reception and KS 1 in front of parents but it has proved too challenging to make the risk assessment work and operate this event in line with Covid regulations as well as the ever increasing number of schools being forced to close. None of our local schools have done Sports Day in front of parents.

<u>19th July</u> - Despite the changes in COVID regulations we will still be operating in our bubbles till the end of term. We would still like parents/carers to wear facemasks at collection to the end of term please. Last week I put the link to the changes from September. Mr. Hick will update you on these at the start of September.

<u>Visits this week -</u> the children have had a brilliant time completing some trips this week including Trevaskis Farm, Newquay Zoo and Truro Museum. We have received this message from Truro Museum:" Also I would like to say what a fantastic, fabulous class they are! Mike and I had such a really fun morning with them - so inquisitive, funny and polite. They really represented their school brilliantly! Not to mention doing some amazing art work. Many thanks Becks Hazzard (Truro Library and Royal Cornwall Museum)"

<u>Summer reading Challenge</u> - please follow this link. Keeping up reading over the Summer is vital: https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/

Messages from the Friends of Chacewater

Good evening everyone,

I just wanted to come on and say there will be a few changes moving forward for next year, I have had the pleasure of being part of the PTA at Chacewater school for nearly 12 years and I feel that with work commitments I can no longer give it my all as the Chair, I made the decision around October last year as I have a 9-5 job now and it needs all of my attention and Lisa kindly stepped in on my behalf with Laura at her side. Rachael, Nikki and Carly also helping and sorting things together.

The last 18 months have been very different with the Covid hitting all of our fundraising efforts. So, from this September a lot of the ladies have said they will also be stepping down and we all feel the PTA Friend's of Chacewater school needs some new members. We are all still around and can lend a hand and bake and help at events if you need us.

Rach will be sending a letter out with dates for AGM and re-election of roles. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of the PTA who have supported me throughout my journey, at times it's been hard going but we have made so many memories together and for our lovely children to cherish.

I would also like to thank each and everyone of you for your continued support throughout this journey too.

Thank you, best wishes Gemma xx



Golden Award Winners for this week



Acorns,Mrs White & Miss Budge,Ethan,George,Alfie,Daisy,Daisy-Louise,Harry,Charlotte,Alfie,Mrs Saxton Alana,Aaron,Bluebell,Will,ReadOaks & Mrs Hunt,Mighty Oaks & Mrs Pollard.



Date	Event
16 th July	School reports sent home
20 th July	Year 5 and 6 production in the Village Hall
21 st July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1:15pm
	School breaks up for Summer at 2pm
6 th and 7 th September	INSET Day
8 th September	School Starts