

RESPECT COURAGE INTEGRITY COMPASSION HOPE



CHECKENDON C.E. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 20th September 2018

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

We're all working together; that's the secret. Sam Walton

Diary for Term 1 2018/19

Thursday 6 th September – 11 th October	KS2 Swimming lessons
Monday 24 th September	Panda Class visit to Youlbury Outdoor Education Centre
Wednesday 26 th September	Bags for School drop off <i>Please drop off your filled bags back at the school porch.</i>
	3.20pm Friendship Bracelets and Cupcake Sale
Friday 28 th September	3.20pm Panda Class Gallery <i>Parents please come and see their amazing artwork</i>
Thursday 4 th October	Census Day
Monday 8 th to 12 th October <i>Please talk to your child's class teacher if you would like to take part.</i>	Careers Week: parents, friends and relations are invited to visit school to talk about their jobs.
Tuesday 16 th to 19 th October	Year 6 residential visit, Kilvrough Outdoor Education Centre, Swansea
Thursday 18 th to 19 th October	Year 5 residential visit, Path Hill Outdoor Education Centre, Goring Heath
Friday 19 th October	Last day of Term 1, finish at 3.20pm
Monday 29 th October	INSET day – no children in school
Tuesday 30 th October	First day of Term 2

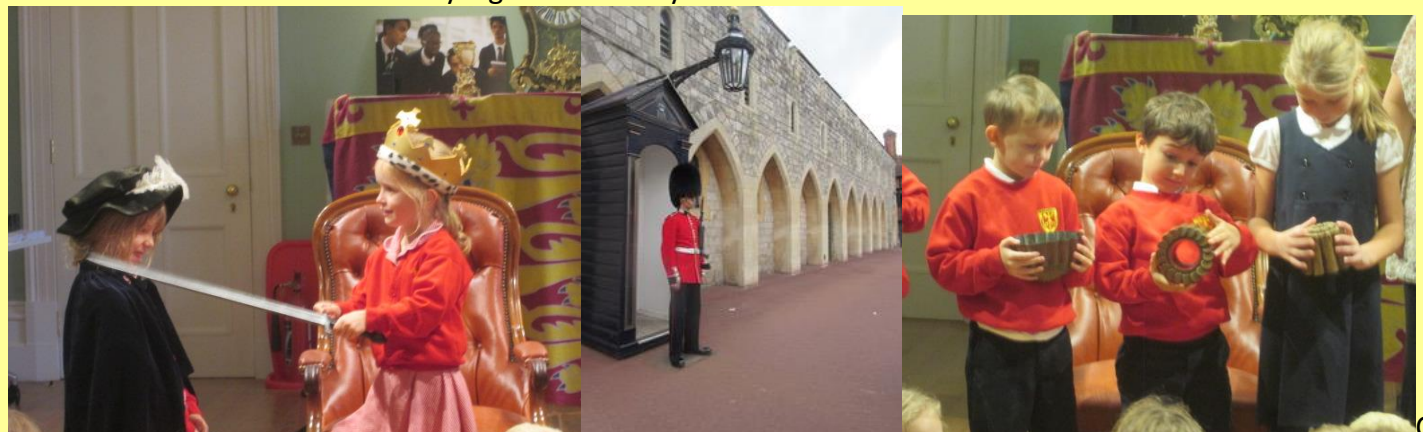
Thank you very much to the wonderful C.H.I.P.P. volunteers, especially Mrs Browne and Mrs Pullan, and everyone who helped with or bought tickets for the very successful Quiz Night. Checkendon School staff and pupils are very grateful!

Have your say... We are currently working on this year's School Development Plan which outlines our priorities for school improvement for 2018-19. We would really welcome your views about the school so please help us by completing a short survey [click here](#). Although the opening screen claims the survey will take 10-15 minutes, in our experience it takes about half this – so please do have a go! We really appreciate your participation: closing date to *tell us your views* is Tuesday 25th September

Whole School Projects Information about our exciting whole school projects for 2018-19 went out in book bags today (and is attached here); we'd love parents/ carers/ grandparents to get involved!

Learning highlights Children in **Owlet Class** have started to learn some first sounds and have been playing lots of games which are designed to give them lots of practise with recognising the sounds and forming the letters. In RE the children have heard the Christian story of Creation and have explored the question of can they make a jellyfish out of jelly. Children in **Owl Class** have had a wonderful time this week finding out about what clothes were like in the past. Mrs Seymour even found old Checkendon School pictures of children dating back

to 1902! We had a fantastic time on our trip to Windsor Castle; we saw the Queen's throne, discovered secret doors and even saw one of the royal guards on duty!



Children in **Panda Class** have been exploring colour and positioning and have started creating beautiful portraits which they would love to share with their families next Friday after school in our class gallery. They have also been thinking about how a character can change during the course of a story and are looking forward to their trip to Youlbury on Monday, where they will experience climbing and abseiling activities. Children in **Rhino Class** have been working on reading, comparing and ordering numbers with up to 7 digits, including rounding them to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 or even 10,000 in maths. In English the children have been learning about different dilemma stories and are now writing their own dilemma stories. In their learning project work they have been heartily sharing their opinions on Victorian children verses today's crime and punishment. The Fire Service also came and spoke to the children about fire safety this week.

School Council News The votes have now been cast and counted and the newly elected School Council Representatives for this year are: Year 2 Ben and Zoe, Year 3 Herbie and Ellie R, Year 4 Isaac and Lacey, Year 5 Dylan and Freya, Year 6 Liam and Elin. At their first meeting on Tuesday, the children agreed rotas and photos were taken for the School Council Board which is located just outside Panda Classroom.

Rhino Class Home Learning Each child in Rhino Class has a Homework Diary. Please would parents check and sign it each Monday so that you are aware of the tasks set for the week. The maths and home learning project days are recommendations, so these may be completed at another point across the week (to suit afterschool clubs etc.). However the maths home learning sheet should be in school by Friday morning. Thank you for your support.

Can you help? As part of their social action time, Rhino Class needs a volunteer! When: Thursdays 3pm to 3.15pm Who: with 4 to 6 year 5/6 children Where: The school grounds What: To water plants, tidy up pots and beds, planting and pick up litter. If you can help please contact Mrs Mottram. Thank you

Friendship Bracelets and Cupcake Sale Next Wednesday after school Livi, Sophia and Wills will be raising money for The Lombok Earthquake Relief by selling friendship bracelets made by themselves and cupcakes. All monies raised will go to this good cause.

Lunchtime Clubs Our new lunchtime clubs have started. There is no need to register for the clubs. If your child is interested they just need to turn up. **Monday Eco Committee Ms Osborne**; **Tuesday Home crafts Mrs Martin**; **Thursday Table Tennis Mrs Thomas**; **Girls' Book Club (Key Stage 2) Miss Thomas**. In addition to these clubs, on Friday lunchtimes multi-sports activities open to children of all ages will be led by Mr Clothier as part of our Active Playtimes programme.

Thank you We are grateful to Emma and Tim Davies for deep cleaning the sound system in the hall recently. It is now sparkling!

Checkendon WW1 Exhibition Artists Needed! An exhibition of WW1 artefacts and memorabilia is to be held in Checkendon Village Hall on 26th - 28th October. Checkendon School pupils have been invited to display some artwork relating to the era and so Susannah Lovegrove will be running some after school sessions for **Y3-Y6** children who would like to participate. Sessions will take place on **Wednesday 3rd, Wednesday 10th and Wednesday 17th of October, 3.30pm - 4.30pm**. Children would need to attend all three sessions in order to complete the projects. Look out for flyers in book bags next week!



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Checkendon school in Partnership with Parents

Quiz Night *Wow, what an amazing event! A big thank you to all who came along to support us, it was a great success and a truly fantastic evening. Well done to the winners 'Made in Checkendon'. It was a particularly hard quiz, so a well-deserved win. Well done Bea Butler too who won a bottle of champagne in the heads and tails game..... enjoy! A special thank you goes to all of the people who gave up their time to volunteer on the evening, without them the night could not have gone ahead. The total profit raised was £1375.70, which totally exceeded our expectations and will make a huge difference to the school! Well done all, we'll see you next year for more quizzing!*

Term 1 2018-19 Extra-Curricular Activities

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	YEARS	ORGANISERS
Monday	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252 daviesepiano@gmail.com
	3.30-4.30	Drama (24/9/18 – 10/12/18)	Yrs 2-6	Berzerk 07976 652742
Tuesday	(S.R.Pavillion) 8.00-8.30	Stoke Row	Yrs 3-6	Stoke Row Running Club Elise Way - eliseway@hotmail.co.uk
	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252 daviesepiano@gmail.com
	3.30-5.15	Equestrian Club (18/9/18 – 17/10/18)	All	Checkendon Equestrian Centre Tel: 01491 680225
	3.20-4.20	Cooking (11/9/18 – 16/10/18)	Yrs 1-6	SmartRaspberry www.smartraspberry.com
Wednesday	08.00-08.40	Choir (12/9/18 – 19/12/18)	Yrs 2-6	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252 daviesepiano@gmail.com
	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252 daviesepiano@gmail.com
	Lunchtime	Violin Restarting 12/9/18	All	Elestr Lee Tel: 0118 9478685 elestr.lee@btopenworld.com
Thursday	08.00-08.40	Music Club (13/9/18 – 20/12/18)	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252 daviesepiano@gmail.com
Friday	08.00-08.40	Tennis (14/9/18 – 19/10/18)	Yrs 1-4	Matt Whittle whittlematthew@hotmail.com
	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252 daviesepiano@gmail.com
	3.30-4.30	Football Cancelled due to low numbers	All	Pro-Direct Tel: 07921 726332
	2:50-3.20	Guitar Restarting 21/9/18	All	Russ Payne Tel: 07921 087816

Dates for your Diary

2018/19

Friday 19 th October	Last day of term1, finish at 3.20pm
Mon 22 nd Oct – Fri 26 th Oct	Half Term
Monday 29 th October	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 30 th October	First day of term 2
Friday 21 st December	Last day of term 2, finish at 2pm
Mon 24 th Dec – Fri 4 th Jan	Christmas Holiday
Monday 7 th January	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 8 th January	First day of term 3
Friday 15 th February	Last day of term 3, finish at 3.20pm
Mon 18 th Feb – 22 nd Feb	Half Term
Monday 25 th February	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 26 th February	First day of term 4
Friday 5 th April	Last day of term 4, finish at 3.20pm
Mon 8 th Apr – Mon 22 nd Apr	Easter Holiday
Tuesday 23 rd April	First day of term 5
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Friday 24 th May	Last day of term 5, finish at 3.20pm
Mon 27 th May – 31 st May	Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 4 th June	First day of term 6
Wednesday 24 th July	Last day of term 6, finish at 2pm