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Autumn Term 1 (23.10.20)

Newsletter Number 7

Welcome to the final newsletter of Term 1. On behalf of everyone at Cheddar Grove Primary School, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support and positivity during Term 1. We have really appreciated the way you have all embraced the changes we have made to daily life at school. Our staff have worked relentlessly to make sure the children’s return to school was as normal as possible. It has been wonderful seeing the children smiling, laughing, playing with friends, and learning within the school environment.

We wish you a well-deserved break and look forward to seeing you all again on **Tuesday 3rd November 2020**.

Reporting a Positive Covid-19 Test Result Outside of School Hours

In the event of your child receiving a positive Covid-19 test result outside of school hours please email covid@cheddargroveschool.org.uk with your child’s name and class. This will alert a member of the Senior Leadership Team who will then take appropriate action. The Covid-19 reporting email address can also be found on our school website: <https://www.cheddargroveschool.org.uk/>



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School Council - (British Values – Democracy)

Congratulations to the children who participated in the School Council elections this week. The following children have been elected to represent their class on the School Council.

Class	School Council Representative
2S	Orla & Tyler
2NC	Avanna & Iola
3G	Isla
3JP	Joshua
4A	Deedee
4H	Logan V
5P	Freya
5W	Millie
6C	Samuel
6A	Leon

Term 2: PSHE Theme - Celebrating Difference

Our Celebrating Difference PSHE topic focuses on similarities and differences and teaches about diversity, such as disability, racism, power, friendships, and conflict; children learn to accept everyone's right to 'difference' as well as exploring important issues such as anti-bullying.

Remembrance Day 2020 – Wednesday 11th November (British Values – Democracy)

Remembrance Day will look a little different in the United Kingdom this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. As a school we will continue to learn about the contributions and sacrifice made by those in the Armed Forces community in order to defend our democratic freedoms and way of life. A virtual assembly will be held in school as a mark of respect. Poppies will be sold in school for £1 but as we cannot accept cash, payments will need to be made electronically via Sims Pay which is used to pay for school meals. Alternatively, poppies can be bought from alternative sources and worn in school.



Children in Need 2020 – Friday 13th November 2020 (School Value – Community)

On Friday 13th November 2020 the school will support the incredible work carried out by the Children in Need charity. With the impact of the pandemic increasing the number of children living in poverty, now more than ever, is a time for us all to support our local, national and international community. To celebrate the day children are invited to come to school dressed in spots. Whilst we cannot accept money in school, voluntary donations can be made electronically via Sims Pay under the 'school events' tab.

Anti-Bullying Week – Monday 16th - Friday 20th November (School Values – Kindness & Friendship)

This year's Anti-Bullying week theme is 'United Against Bullying'. During the week there will be a whole school focus on our school values of kindness and friendship. On Monday 16th November we will mark the start of the Anti-Bullying week with Odd Socks Day!



E-Safety Update Number 7: Fortnite

Fortnite is an online game played by an estimated 125 million players world-wide and has a PEGI rating of 12 due to the frequent scenes of mild violence. It should, therefore, not be played by primary aged children. We have included a guide for parents below to help you understand the dangers involved with playing Fortnite – including - the contact element of the game, where players may be exposed to swearing and offensive language from strangers in voice or on-screen text chat.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/parents-guide-fortnite-battle-royale>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/guidance/fortnite-battle-royal-parents-guide-keep-kids-safe-gaming/>

Reminders

Secondary School Places

If your child was born between 1 September 2009 and 31 August 2010 you need to apply for a new year 7 secondary place. To apply for a new year 7 secondary school place for September 2021 you will need to use the following link to apply online: <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/secondary-admissions>

The final date for making an application is midnight on 31 October 2020. Please see the website above for the full terms and conditions.

Reception Places for 2020

If you have a child born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 you will need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2021. Apply online: <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/primary-apply>

Parking

Please could we remind parents of the importance of parking responsibly when picking up and dropping off children at school. We have observed a number cars parked on the green or across driveways. Council and enforcement officers will be monitoring the area in the coming weeks due to a high volume of complaints from neighbours and parents. Unfortunately, due to the complexity of the morning and afternoon routines we do not have sufficient staff to monitor this daily and would appreciate your support in keeping our children safe!

Water Bottles

Children need to come to school each day with a clearly labelled water bottle.

Suitable Outdoor Clothing

Now that the weather is becoming colder, please ensure children bring coats to school.

Important Dates

Wednesday 11 th November 2020	Remembrance Day
Friday 13 th November 2020	Children in Need (Dress Spotty)
Monday 16 th November 2020	Odd Socks Day (United Against Bullying)
Midnight on Friday 15 th January 2021	Deadline for making an on time Reception 2021 School Admission
Midnight on 31 st October 2020	Deadline for making an on time Secondary 2021 School Admission

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