



CHASE BRIDGE NEWSLETTER



7th December 2018

Fabulous Festive Fair! ...

Thank you to everyone that made the Christmas Fair such a success last Friday, especially Kelly, Jude, Susie, Ali, Nicky, Jenny, Carla, Natalie, Carmelle, Debbie, Caroline, Louisa, Danielle, Mari and Reuben. Not only did the real Father Christmas find his way to Chase Bridge, but we also had the children performing Christmassy music (thank you Mrs O'Hara and Mrs Lindley!), fairground rides, stalls as well as festive food and drink – what incredible team work from the school community. We will hopefully have a total raised for you in the next newsletter.

The Friends of Chase Bridge are considering which school projects to support and they hope that you will be part of that conversation in the new year! There are lots of opportunities for parents to get involved as members of the Friends of Chase Bridge so look out for more details soon. Now we are in December the Christmas events will be coming thick and fast, so please make sure your diaries are up to date – have a look at the listings at the end of the newsletter for a quick check on times and dates for the nativities, Christmas sing-songs and choir events. Lots to look forward to!

Updates, Notices and ...

Starting primary school 2019: A reminder for all parents! Closing Date for applications is **Tuesday 15th January 2019**. On National Offer Day you will be sent the outcome of your application by email during the evening of **Tuesday 16th April 2019**. If you apply on a paper form you will be sent the outcome of your application by first class post on Tuesday 16th April 2019. You must accept or decline your offer by Tuesday 30th April 2019, either through the e-Admissions system if you applied online, or on the reply slip if you applied on paper.

Spring 2019 Clubs—Information has gone out for clubs. Enrolment forms need to be returned by **end of school on Friday 14th December**. **Clubs will start week commencing 14th January**.

After school clubs have now finished for this term. There will be a **catch up session for Little Star Writing on Wednesday 12th and 19th December**.

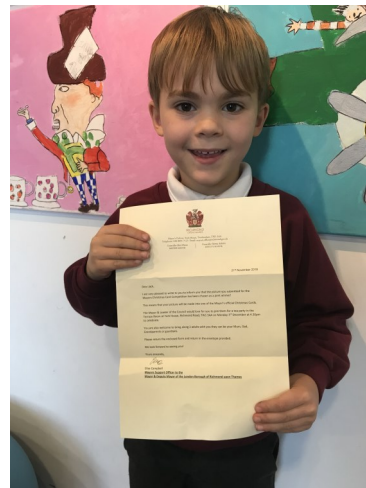
School lunches—just a reminder that if you wish to make any changes to your child's lunch arrangements for the Spring term it is **important that you let Rachel** in the office know.

Swimming Gala—If your child returned their slip, they will be expected to attend the Swimming Gala trial on **Tuesday 8th January**. They will leave school at 1.00pm and return at 2.30pm. They will need a swimming costume, towel and swimming hat.

News in Brief

Part-time Learning Support Assistant Vacancy at Bishop Perrin Primary School—Bishop Perrin School in Whitton has a vacancy for a part-time Learning Support Assistant working with a child in Year 1. If you are interested in the post, please click through to the advert: <https://www.eteach.com/job/1016859>

Whale & Dolphin Haka competition at Twickenham Stadium—Congratulations to **Joel, Jamie, Sophie, Oscar, Callum, Raveena, Jack, Kayden, Taahir, Abdi, Brooke, Adi, Emmi-Lee, Holly and Heidi** who won the competition and were the Guard of Honour for the 2nd half of the Varsity match.



Congratulations to Jack in Walnut Class who recently won the Lord Mayor's and Leader of the Council 'Design a Christmas Card' competition.

Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper' day—we will be taking part on **Friday 14th December**. In exchange for £1 children can wear a Christmas jumper or

accessorise a favourite jumper.

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Governing Body News

At their meeting at the end of November Mr King gave a presentation to governors on the proposed Ofsted framework to be published in January to come into force from September. The governing body welcomed the proposed framework, which focuses on greater breadth and balance in the curriculum and has less of an emphasis on outcomes than the current inspection framework. This reflects well on established practice at Chase Bridge.

Under the umbrella of safeguarding, Mr King reported that there had been a rise in the number of incidents involving parents' use of social media that had had an adverse effect on pupils attending the school. Governors noted that the incidents had been dealt with and endorsed the action being taken by the school to protect the children.

On a more positive note, welcome and thanks to those parents who have recently joined the committee of The Friends, especially the new FoCB Chair, Ian Trueman. The FoCB are in the process of agreeing a new constitution and governors look forward to working with you and wish you every success!

Chess Club

Hot on the heels of the World Chess Championship match between Carlsen and Caruana in London, Chess Club members went in to battle against Mr King last Thursday! Mr King couldn't beat everyone in the time and so the remaining unfinished games were declared a draw – well done to John, Ben, Patrick, Jemima, Lacey, and Hazel who all stayed the distance! Chess Club will re-start in January so keep practising in the holidays!



Times, dates and places

Monday 10th December

9.00am Little Chasers

2.30pm Cherry sing-song to parents

Tuesday 11th December

Walnut & Oak class on Church visit

4M swimming (LAST)

2.30pm Fir class sing-song to parents

Wednesday 12th December

Jack & the Beanstalk panto

2.30pm Year 4 sing-song to parents

Thursday 13th December

9.30am Year 2 Nativity

2.30pm Year 1 sing-song to parents

Friday 14th December

9.30am Year 2 Nativity

2.30pm Year 3 sing-song to parents

Monday 17th December

9.00am Little Chasers

2.00pm Y5/6 Christmas Carols at Ss

Philip & James Church

Tuesday 18th December

Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics

Wednesday 19th December

9.10am Maple class sing-song to parents

Christmas School lunch for children

Thursday 20th December

Puppet show in Nursery

Friday 21st December

School closes at 1.50pm for Rec/Y1 & Y2 and 2.00pm for Nursery/Y3, 4, 5 & 6

Monday 7th January—INSET DAY

Tuesday 8th January—Children return

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