



CHASE BRIDGE NEWSLETTER



19th October 2018

Schools for Success

As we head in to half term I am delighted to let you know that Chase Bridge has been recognised as one of the top London schools! The Mayor of London's Schools for Success programme identifies about 6% of London primary and secondary schools. Schools are identified based on the Department for Education's performance tables with a focus on lower attaining and disadvantaged groups of pupils. As a result we are being asked to share some of our practice more widely amongst other London schools. Congratulations everyone – what a wonderful acknowledgement of all the hard work from all sections of our community: staff, parents, governors and, not least, the children! For more information click on the link <https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/education-and-youth/schools-success>. Have a great half-term break and we look forward to seeing you back at the normal time on Monday 29th October.

Updates, Notices and ...

Absence from school directly before/after half term— these absences will be unauthorised unless you can provide medical evidence of absence. Please click [here](#) to see our attendance policy.

Tempest Photography—will be in on **Monday 29th October** to do Individual photographs of the children.

Secondary Admissions: 2018—A final reminder that all applications for Secondary school places must be submitted by **31st October through your home local authority.**

Starting primary school 2019: A reminder for all parents! Get the following key dates in your diary – miss them at your peril! Chase Bridge open days are on **Tuesday 30th October** and **Tuesday 27th November at 9.15am.** Please look on our [website](#) for more information. Closing Date for applications is **Monday 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 eAdmissions system if you applied online, or on the reply slip if you applied on paper.

Vacancies at Bishop Perrin CE Primary School and Heathfield Junior School— If you are interested please click on the links below.
<https://www.eteach.com/school/bishop-perrin-church-of-england-primary-school-jobs-19563/>
<http://www.eteach.com/jobs/heathfield-schools--partnership-jobs-51824/?oo=ag>

News in Brief

Inconsiderate parking—A fresh appeal is made for parents to be more considerate when parking. We are receiving an increased amount of complaints being reported to us by our neighbours, especially with **parents parking across driveways and yellow lines.**

Staffing update—Welcome to **Jackie Grew** who has started at Chase Bridge as a Teaching Assistant working with year 5 and 6. We are also saying 'au revoir' to **Mr Bruce** who will be on parental leave for the next three months – however, we are all looking forward to him coming back in March! Mr Bruce will be back on a part-time basis in the infants. **For the next half term 5D** will have Mrs Dight for four days and Mrs Golding teaching on Monday. From January Miss Noble will be teaching in 5D on Monday and Tuesday with Mrs Dight reverting to Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The Heatham Hangout—Afterschool Youth Club for Y5&6—As part of Richmond's initiative to increase opportunities to young people in the Twickenham area, a youth club **for year 5 & 6 at Heatham House called The Heatham Hang Out has been created!** The session is on **Fridays from 3.30 - 5.30pm.** The sessions allows young people to meet students from across the local area and develop relationships with other children before they go on to our local secondary school. Young people will have access to all of our resources including:
7 a side 3G Football Pitch; 3v3 Basketball Court; Outdoor Skatepark; Music Studio & Rehearsal Rooms (w Guitars, Drum Kit, Piano, etc); Games Room (Pool, Table Tennis, Table Football and Xbox); Cooking Tech Room - iMacs with music, video and photo editing software; Wifi Access (with protective fire-wall).

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Governing Body News

At their first meeting of the year the governing body received a full report on the achievements of the previous year. Governors were impressed with the excellent academic results from 2018, as well as the upward trend over the past three years. Governors appreciate that this would not be possible without the team effort of staff and would like to thank all the staff for their contribution over the year.

Should there be any doubt about the quality of provision at Chase Bridge, the school has received a certificate from the Mayor of London to recognise and celebrate the fact that Chase Bridge was in the top 6% of all London schools, based on the overall achievement of children in the school with a special focus on those who come from disadvantaged backgrounds or who have lower starting points. The certificate states: 'this award recognises your exceptional work in sharing good practice and helping to boost education for all Londoners'. Well done!

Thanks are also due to David Jones who is leaving the governing body. Governors have appreciated David's contribution over the past few years and we wish him well.

Minutes of meetings can be viewed on the school website once a draft has been agreed by the headteacher and chair of governors.

Friends of Chase Bridge News

Thank you to those of you who came to the recent Friends of Chase Bridge AGM. We are delighted to introduce to you your new committee:

- **Chair** – Ian Trueman
- **Events** – Natalie Brown and Reuben Zeeman
- **Treasurer** – Ali Hodder-Williams
- **PR and Marketing** - Denny Thomas
- **Class reps Co-ordinator** – Carmelle Jaitly

What is the Friends of Chase Bridge?

The Friends is a charity that brings together parents, staff, volunteers, pupils and the local community, to fulfil its mission:

'To support the school and the local community through targeted activities that enrich the lives of the children, their families and our community as a whole.'

The Friends is co-ordinated by a committee (see above) and elected by members. **All existing Chase Bridge parents and staff are members.** The Friends can only continue to fulfil its mission with the help of all members so please look out for ways **you can support and get involved.**



Times, dates and places

Monday 29th October	2.30pm Y4 Family Reading	Y5 & 6 Girls football at NPL
Little Chasers	Y5 Chocolate workshop	2.30pm Y1 Family Reading
Individual Photographs	Friday 2nd November	Fir class to Forest School
Tuesday 30th October	FoCB Mufti Day	Thursday 8th November
Parents coffee morning 9.00am at Cabbage Patch	Monday 5th November	Cherry class to Forest School
9.15am School Tour	Little Chasers	Friday 9th November
4M swimming	Tuesday 6th November	Kneller Hall Remembrance Service
Wednesday 31st October	Y5 Science workshop	Monday 12th November
2.30pm Y3 Family Reading	4M swimming	Little Chasers 9.00am
Boys & Girls football vs Heathfield	Maple class to Forest School	Nursery closed all day for Parent Consultations
Thursday 1st November	Wednesday 7th November	Y1 to Hampton Court Palace

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