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Friday 22nd March 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

Parents' Evenings

Our Parents' Evenings will be held on Tuesday, 26th March, and Wednesday, 27th March. Thank you for taking the time to book an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher. During the evening, you will have the chance to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss their academic achievements, areas for improvement, and any concerns you may have.



Furthermore, the Parents' Evenings will provide an opportunity for you to view your child's workbooks and see their progress first-hand. This will give you a clearer understanding of their strengths and areas where they may look to improve.

We highly encourage all parents to attend these evenings. We firmly believe that open communication between home and school is vital for your child's success. By working together, we can ensure that your child receives the best education possible.

In order to accommodate as many parents as possible, please make sure to arrive promptly for your assigned time slot. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. We greatly appreciate your commitment to their learning journey.

School Councillors

On the 13th of March our school councillors visited the Houses of Parliament. It was truly a fantastic and memorable day where our children had the opportunity to learn about our government and witness first-hand how decisions are made. (They also saw the king!)

The visit was made possible due to the dedication and support of our staff. I would like to extend my thanks to Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Croft, Mrs. Gaynon, Mrs. Bowes and Mrs. Hughes for accompanying the children throughout the trip. Their commitment and efforts ensured the smooth running of the visit and made it an enriching



26th March 2024

Parents' evening 1.

27th March 2024

Parents' evening 2.

28th March 2024

School breaks for Spring Break

29th – 12th March 2024

Spring Break

15th April 2024

Children return to school

15th April 2024

Sports Ambassador Training

17th April 2024

Multiplication tables evening (Yr. 4)

3rd May 2024

Proposed – Futuristic Drumming Workshop

6th May 2024

Bank Holiday

7th-8th May 2024

Year 4 residential

8th May 2024

Year 3 parent lunch

13th-17th May 2024

Year 6 SATs week

experience for our students. The children were fantastic ambassadors for our school, and their behaviour and engagement during the visit were exceptional.

Visiting the Houses of Parliament provided our children with a unique insight into the democratic processes and decision-making in our country. It was an opportunity for them to observe our elected representatives in action, learn about the history of our government, and understand the importance of their role as responsible citizens. Such experiences not only enhance their knowledge but also inspire their aspirations.

We believe that opportunities like these are invaluable for our children's personal and academic growth. They broaden their horizons, nurture their thirst for knowledge, and instil in them a sense of civic responsibility. This trip is something we are keen to continue in the future.

Science Week



Last week we held our annual Science Week. This week aims to ignite curiosity and enthusiasm for the wonders of science among our children.

Science education is crucial in enabling our children to develop important critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical skills. It is essential for fostering a sense of wonder, encouraging a thirst for knowledge, and nurturing the next generation of scientists, engineers, and inventors.

During Science Week, our teachers have planned a diverse range of activities that engaged the children in scientific exploration. From exciting experiments to hands-on workshops, the children had the opportunity to actively participate in a variety of scientific investigations, enabling them to solve problems, discover new concepts, and learn through practical experiences.

Thank you to Mrs Barnes for coordinating this week and the teachers for their hard work and creativity in the activities they planned.

Residential trip to Nant Bwlch yr Haearn Centre



The week our Year 5 class attended the Nant Bwlch yr Haearn outdoor education centre for their residential. Our residential experiences are planned by the staff to provide our children with a unique opportunity for personal growth and independence. We aim to push their limits, broaden their horizons, and foster a sense of adventure. We believe that such experiences are crucial in developing well-rounded individuals.

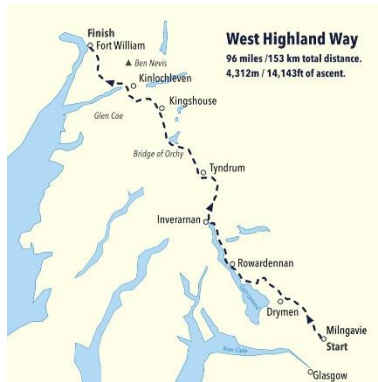
During the trip, our students engaged in a wide range of thrilling activities, carefully chosen to challenge and inspire them. From gorge walking and climbing to canoeing and the exhilarating zip wire, they had the chance to step out of their comfort zones and embrace new challenges. These activities are not only fun but also promote teamwork, resilience, and problem-solving skills.

We would like thank to Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Barnes, and Miss Shepherd for their hard work in organizing this trip. Thanks also to our Year 5 parents for supporting the residential. Without your support these trips would not be able to continue.



Mr Smith's Sponsored Walk

In this year's Easter holidays our caretaker, Mr Smith, will be walking the West Highland Way in Scotland and has offered to use his walk as a fundraiser for the school.



The West Highland Way is a long-distance walk from Milngavie, just north of Glasgow, to Fort William, some 96 miles further north. The route passes alongside Loch Lomond and The Trossachs before skirting along the edge of Ben Nevis and Glen Coe, site of the famous Jacobean revolt in 1692. Each year an estimated 40,000 hikers walk the WHW to admire its dramatic and beautiful scenery and soon realise why The National Geographic lists it as one of the world's Top 10 trail walks.

We are delighted that Mr Smith is taking part in this walk and that he would like any sponsorship to go towards school. We are asking you to sponsor his walk in the hopes that we can raise £1000 towards playtime enhancements.

During the walk, Mr Smith plans to send back a write-up or two of his exploits, together with an occasional photo: any reports or photos will be emailed out by the school, so that everyone can track his progress.

Should you wish to sponsor Mr Smith's walk, please pay directly into the PTA's account. The details are provided below.

Christleton Primary school association

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Please label any donations as WHW.

Thank you for any donations you feel able to make.

Quarry Lane Pavement

The school has been regularly contacting CWAC regarding the suitability of the pavement at the front of the school. It is the school's opinion that this footpath is substandard and needs to be widened to ensure safe travel to school. Despite the school being informed that CWAC had agreed to widen the path and complete these works they have now informed the Parish Council that they do not have the budget to do this.

We are aware that many parents use this footpath to travel into school in the morning and that the muddy conditions can often prove hazardous. If this applies to you, we are requesting your support in raising the issue with the council. In order to do this the link below can be used to lodge a complaint. Any support with this matter would be appreciated.

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Staffing News

Mrs Horabin, who supports in our year 3 class, will be leaving us at the end of this term (Easter). We are very grateful for her service and the positive impact that she has had on our children. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

Key Stage 1 Planters

We would like to extend our gratitude to Mrs Barwick and Mrs Sinclair for their recent efforts in enhancing our key stage 1 playground. They worked with a group of Year 6 children to add plants to the raised planters. We hope that these planters flourish in the months to come adding vegetation and add a splash of colour to the area.



Year 6 football fixture.



Well done to our Year 5/6 football team for their performance against Waverton on Monday. It was a tough game, and our children played fantastically well against a very talented team. Although the final score was 0:5 in favour of Waverton, our team showed great determination and sportsmanship throughout the match. We are incredibly proud of their effort and commitment.

On Tuesday, our Year 3/4 football team had their first match against Lache Primary School. We are thrilled to inform you that they won the game 6:0. The team demonstrated excellent teamwork and skill, and their hard work paid off. Congratulations to Reuben, Eloise, Alfie, Henry, Jasper, Fox, Rohan, and Alexander for their exceptional performance.

With both of the above it has been wonderful to see our students embracing sports and developing their skills on the field. These matches provide valuable opportunities for them to learn and grow as individuals and as a team. We would like to express our gratitude to the parents who have supported the children at both matches.



Parent Lunches (Dates for your diary)

Thank you to those parents who attended school on Tuesday 12th March to share lunch with your child / children. As ever, the event was well supported and your presence was very much appreciated.


A reminder for parents of children in either Year 2 or Year 3 that we have pencilled in the following dates. Further details will be provided in due course.

Year 2 – Wednesday 20th March 2024.

Year 3 – Wednesday 8th May 2024.

PTA

Disco

 The PTA are holding a retro disco on the 26th April to raise money for the school. The Disco, for over 18's only, is being held at Chester Rugby Club. If you are interested in attending this event and supporting the PTA / school, please see the attached flyer.



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School Attendance

Thank you for your continued support to ensure our children attend school and make the most of the opportunities on offer.

Our current attendance levels are as follows...



Year Group	Attendance %	Difference
Reception	96.28%	↔
Year 1	97.34%	↔
Year 2	97.02%	↔
Year 3	97.12%	↔
Year 4	96.65%	↔
Year 5	96.06%	↑
Year 6	95.17%	↔
Whole School	96.51%	↔

Recent Letters



Theme	Method	Recipients	Date
Rowton Hall Easter Egg Competition	Flyer	Selected	21.03.24
School Meal Price Increase	Spider and Email	All	18.03.24
Parents evening appointments	Spider	All	18.03.24
Parents Evening Information Letter	Spider and Email	All	17.03.24



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