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Friday 29th September 2022 Newsletter

Dates for the next two weeks in school

Mon 3rd Oct	Tues 4th Oct	Wed 5th Oct	Thurs 6th Oct	Fri 7th Oct
3 WEEK MENU.pdf Week 2 Menu	Open Day for September 2023 starters	Year 2 - Harvest service at Church. Open Day for September 2023 starters	Census Day	
Mon 10th Oct	Tues 11th Oct	Wed 12th Oct	Thurs 13th Oct	Fri 14th Oct
Week 3 Menu	PTA AGM			

Child born between 1/9/18 and 31/8/19?
Why not visit us at our next open days for September 2023 admissions?
4th Oct; 5th Oct; 15th Nov; 16th Nov; 5th Jan 2023 - sessions at 10am and 2pm.
Please contact us to book your place.



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A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Book fair and came along to buy some books. It has been wonderful to see the bookcases in school after all this time and there has been a real book buzz all around the school this week!

Thank you to all of our amazing PTA members for helping to run the fair after school - we could not do it without you! I will be busy totalling up all the money spent and will let you all know next week how much commission we have to spend on books for our school.

Thank you all once again and happy reading,

Mrs Mistry 



It is that time of year when the harvest has begun! Our Year 2 children will be delivering our harvest celebration worship next week to the whole school and to their parents in church on Wednesday 5th October. We would like to have a display of food donations as part of our harvest service.

We are therefore asking all children to bring in a donation which will be passed on to the foodbank to support families in our local community.

Please send any donations into school with your child (which can then be placed on the stage in the Hall). Thank you.

SHOPPING LIST TOP FIVE ITEMS

- 1) UHT milk,
- 2) Tinned Meat/Fish
- 3) Sponge/Rice Puddings
- 4) Tea/Coffee
- 5) Long-Life Juice





Year 4 friendly matches

On Monday, two teams of Year 4 children played football friendlies against two Mill View teams.

Our A team won their match by quite a margin. Our B team didn't win but played well and came together as a team during the game.

We are very proud of all the children who played. They were all represented Upton Heath brilliantly in the new kits.

We are looking forward to starting our league games soon.

Cheshire Phoenix Match Day Clinic

Sunday 25th September



Everyone had a great time at the match day clinic on Sunday.

We started by learning some basketball skills from the experts.



Year 5 and 6 had a visit from Chester University Outreach team on Thursday. They were able to experience some activities from their Digital On Tour (DOT) Van.

Some of the children learnt to use drones, others had a virtual reality headset experience and some experienced an augmented reality headset. The children had a great time exploring and learning about the different technology.



STARS OF THE WEEK

<p>ACORNS:</p> <p>We will be doing individual stars of the week in the New Year</p>	<p>CONKERS:</p> <p>We will be doing individual stars of the week in the New Year</p>	<p>ASH: Bobby Shipton for remembering to use a capital letter at the start of her name.</p> <p>Oscar Lewis for his enthusiasm in music and helping Miss Wilkinson to lead the singing for the whole of year one.</p>
<p>YEW: Louis Mullen for making fantastic progress in his reading due to his continuous efforts.</p> <p>Reuben Barnell for his enthusiasm to continue his learning at home, keep it up!</p>	<p>SYCAMORE: Riley Skillen for amazing effort and focus in his writing all week.</p> <p>Penny Sharps-Green for showing resilience, especially in Maths, and working hard in all areas.</p>	<p>BEECH: Leo Grant for his excellent contribution in our maths lessons.</p> <p>Molly Murphy for showing lots of resilience towards her learning!</p>
<p>CEDAR: Sienna Saville for working hard to use inverted commas in independent writing.</p> <p>Sophie Campbell for working hard to edit her work and use add speech to independent writing.</p>	<p>HAWTHORN: Freddie Butcher for his positive attitude towards his learning and for always trying his best in every lesson.</p> <p>Isobel Davies for working hard in English and confidently using inverted commas in her writing.</p>	<p>JUNIPER: Kenny Graham for great PE, for working hard and being resilient.</p> <p>Zoe Brayshaw for always getting on with her jobs with no fuss and a positive attitude. She always does her very best.</p>
<p>LIME: Eddie Gibson for some excellent place value maths work this week.</p> <p>Sean Jackson for his great ideas in gymnastics and for being a wonderfully polite and enthusiastic member of Year 4.</p>	<p>HAZEL: Ella Woodcock for always working hard, trying her best and having a very mature attitude to learning.</p> <p>Jake Kirkbright for always ready, respectful and contributing to our class discussions.</p>	<p>ELM: Charlie Stanway for his positive attitude and approach to learning, always carried out with a smile.</p> <p>Edie Freemantle for approaching every challenge with quiet determination.</p>
<p>BIRCH: Lanieta Balenaka for her amazing efforts since joining Birch Class this year. You've made a fantastic first impression!</p> <p>Oliver Bronnert for his fantastic questions whilst roleplaying a News Reporter for our class text.</p>	<p>CHESTNUT: Santiago Smith and Freddie Willets for being respectful, enthusiastic and hard working members of our class. Thank you</p>	<p>OAK: Jai Prakash and Sophie Griffith for being ready to learn at all times and for always being respectful.</p>

Mrs Morris' Act of Kindness if for **Albie Thom** from **Hazel**. This is awarded to **Albie** for making a good decision and being kind to his friend.

30/09/2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

It was great to see so many of our children and families at the Cheshire Phoenix opening match on Sunday this week. Our vocal support certainly had an impact, with Phoenix making a really good come back in the final quarter to only just miss out on a first victory. Thank you so much to Ms. Hodge for organising and for being such a fabulous ambassador for the school. Our Year 4 footballers had their first game of the season on Monday against Mill View Primary School. This is a match that had to be rearranged from last year's fixture list and involved two teams, including many children who had never played a match before. The children all acquitted themselves very well, in very changeable weather and all had an enjoyable time. Plans are well underway for more games and also our participation in Cross Country events and local Tag Rugby tournament for Years 3 and 4 and Years 5 and 6.

It has been brought to my attention that we have had dogs being brought into the school ground, some not on leads. Please refrain from bringing your dog into the school grounds at drop off and pick up times. This is to ensure the safety of all.

I would also like to remind all parents to not let their children play on the trim trails before and after school. There has been a lot of mess left afterschool, along with an increase in accidents happening when children are not being supervised. I appreciate your efforts in adhering to this request.

Car parking passes:

Thank you so much for the take up of applying or renewing car parking passes. This has helped the situation in the mornings and at pick up times at the end of the day. There are still some parents coming onto the site without passes before Mr Mahoney or Mr Kearney are on gate duty. Please don't do this as this will mean us having to shut the gates, which will cause a lot of inconvenience for everyone. If you require a parking pass, please apply for one and if you meet the criteria, one will be allocated.

Parents meetings:

We have made arrangements for our first parent's meetings to be held virtually week beginning 31/10/2022. (Year 6 meetings will be the following week beginning 07/11/2022 due to their Shakespeare performance at the Floral Pavilion the first week back). Please look out for invitations to book your appointment time. We have found this system very good, enabling staff and parent's sufficient time to talk and not to have to wait in school if discussions are prolonged. Should you require a further meeting or should there be any issues that need addressing a follow up meeting will be arranged.

Flu Immunisation Programme:

We have been notified by Cheshire West NHS partnership that we will be offering flu immunizations on Tuesday 22nd November for all of our children. More information will be sent to you nearer the time but I wanted to let you know well in advance.

Accelerated Reader information:

Please look out for information from Mrs Mistry about our Accelerated Reader programme and how you can support your children with their reading and we can add to our Word Millionaire's Row!

This week our Year 6 children have been enjoying the wonders of technology. Our Year 6 team have linked with the University of Chester, who have been using drones and virtual reality goggles with the children, who have had an amazing time.

Our Year 6 children will be performing "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at the Floral Pavilion (01/11/2022) rehearsals and practise are well under way and we look forward to seeing them on stage!

Yours faithfully

Mr Conrad North

Headteacher

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of Absence Request Leave of absence during term time will not be authorised unless the reason meets the exceptional criteria. In response to your leave of absence request, a decision will be made and a letter sent to you within 5 working days. If leave of absence is authorised, a date to return must be agreed with the Headteacher. A child who is absent longer than the agreed date can be legally removed from the school register and the parent may be liable to prosecution. When the leave of absence is 'unauthorised' and a child incurs 10 unauthorised absence marks in a term, i.e. five school days, the Local Authority may be informed and a fixed term penalty notice may be issued. The current rates payable by parents are £60 where the amount is paid within 21 days and £120 where the amount is paid within 28 days. This charge is per parent/carer per child. If the fixed penalty notice remains unpaid this could lead to prosecution in the Magistrate's Court