

Chapmanslade School

Newsletter

4th July 2022



Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents,

It has been a while since my last newsletter, which reflects what a busy time it has been in school. It feels like we are racing toward the summer holidays! There is a great deal of fantastic learning going on across the school where teachers and pupils are still working hard to display the best version of themselves.

A couple of weeks ago, we were visited by a humorous trio of brass band players who wowed us with their playing. Thank you to Michal Sorga at Matravers for arranging this for us.

Following our visit to Newland Homes' site to see our bee hotels in the first week of term, we have had a bit of press coverage the Frome Nub and some other local press. You can find the article online: <https://frome.nub.news/news/local-news/just-down-the-cycle-path-from-frome-in-chapmanslade-pupils-at-the-local-school-have-bee-n-extra-busy-with-hospitality-137306>

Oak Class have been participating in a creative writing project competition; writing an exciting advertisement for the show home at the site. The team at Newland Homes were blown away with the quality of the writing. After much deliberation, they whittled the class' entries down to six. Those six pupils were invited up to the site to be filmed reading their entries - they had great fun on Friday doing this. We look forward to seeing the result of these soon!

Well done to Oak Class who shone in the Virtual Lions Concert last week. It seems like so long ago when the class travelled up to Matravers to record their heroes themed songs and it was wonderful to see the result!

Over the past few weeks, we have been reviewing our provision for SEN and our ready to launch our new provision ready for September. We will be writing to all of our parents of pupils with SEN shortly to arrange a meeting to discuss plans and new targets for pupils before the summer holidays.

It has been brilliant to get back to enjoying going out of school, participating in trips again recently. Blossom Class visited Butterfly World last term, Willow Class enjoyed a trip to STEAM 2 weeks ago, Oak Class explored Bristol Aerospace last week, Redwood Class visited Lulworth Cove before their residential at the start of term. In a couple of weeks, Blossom and Redwood team up to navigate Black Dog Woods - I know that Blossom Class are very excited for this!

Our 150th Birthday event on the 15th July is creeping up! We have been busy finalising plans, as well as working on our new garden area which will be officially opened at the event. Please do spread the word, as we would like to welcome as many people as possible. We have posters left if you would like to take one to display in the village. This Thursday (7th), we are holding a non-uniform day. As a 'fine' for this if you are able to donate a raffle/tombola prize, which we can use at the 150th birthday event, we would greatly appreciate it. Full details of the event on the 15th July can be found on our website.

On the final day of term at 9am, we will be celebrating our Year 6 leavers. Parents and family of Year 6 are invited to join us in the school hall to say goodbye to our pupils.

Hopefully you have seen our class structure letter for September which was sent out last week which details changes to staffing for the next academic year. Next week, our pupils in Years R-5 will 'move-up' to their new classrooms with their new teachers and teaching assistants.

Don't forget Sports Day next Wednesday! Full details regarding this will be sent out shortly, so please look out for this. We look forward to welcoming you to join us on our school field at 1:15pm on Wednesday 13th July.

Finally, a big thank you to all of our Friends of Chapmanslade School who have been very busy lately. The Father's Day shop was a great success! The FoCS have just helped us in purchasing many new books to aid our new Phonics and English schemes ready for next year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Cottrell

General Notices

Ofsted Parent View

Parent View gives current parents a voice and helps prospective parents to understand what it is like to be part of the Chapmanslade School community. Have you completed the survey yet? We value your feedback! Over the years, feedback from parents has prompted us to improve the information on the school website, to rewrite our anti-bullying policy and to introduce class newsletters. All of the team here want to help to make your child's experience of school as positive as possible, and we can do that if we understand what we do well and what needs to change.

If you disagree, or strongly disagree, with any of the statements on Parent View, please give us the opportunity to make things better by talking to your child's class teacher, or to Mr Cottrell, before you complete the survey.

Swimming: Willow Classes: volunteers urgently needed!

Willow will continue swimming for the final 3 weeks of the year. We still need parent volunteers to help us with this on Fridays between 9 – 11am. If you are able to help out, please speak to the school office or email admin@chapmanslade.wilts.sch.uk.

Covid-19 Update

Children and young people aged 18 and under who have a positive COVID test will be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for three days. Pupils are no longer expected to routinely test for COVID-19 to attend school. However if your child is unwell and has a high temperature they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. If a child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, slight cough who are otherwise well they should continue to go to school.

Nut Allergy Information

Nuts are allowed in snacks and lunch boxes because there are no children or staff with serious nut allergies. If this information is incorrect (based on information provided by parents in the data collection sheets) please contact Mrs McCall in the school office immediately using admin@chapmanslade.wilts.sch.uk

Communication

If you have any concerns at all about your child's academic progress or pastoral care, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher as soon as possible. The adults in your child's class will do everything they can to help. The quickest way to resolve any concerns is to speak in person to your child's class teacher. You are welcome to request a meeting (or a telephone call from the teacher) by emailing admin@chapmanslade.wilts.sch.uk but please do not write long emails. We much prefer to meet with you in person to avoid any misunderstandings. You are also very welcome to catch Mr Cottrell, teachers and teaching assistants on the driveway to discuss small concerns or to make an appointment.

Volunteers

Can you spare an hour or two a week to come into school and listen to readers? If so, we would love to hear from you. Reading aloud regularly to an interested adult is the quickest way for children to achieve fluency in their decoding and competency in the skills of comprehension. We would love to hear from parents, grandparents, friends or neighbours. Please contact the school office on admin@chapmanslade.wilts.sch.uk if you can help.

Diary Dates

Date	Time	Event
04/07/22	12:15	Lunchtime Football Club (Mr Phillips Yr 1-3)
	3:15	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
05/07/22	3:15	Multi-Sports (Yr 4-6)
06/07/22	3:15	Multi-Sports (Yr R-3)
	3:15	Fun Science Club (Yr 1-6)
07/07/22		Mufti Day in School - donate a raffle prize
		Kingdown CAT tests (in school)
08/07/22	9:00	Willow Swimming
11/07/22	12:15	Lunchtime Football Club (Mr Phillips Yr 1-3)
	3:15	Football Club (Yr 4-6)
		Y6 Kingdown Transition Day
12/07/22		Y6 Kingdown Transition Day
		Whole-School Move Up Day
	3:15	Multi-Sports (Yr 4-6)
13/07/22	1:15	Sports Day
	3:15	Multi-Sports (Yr R-3)
14/07/22	3:15	Fun Science Club (Yr 1-6)
15/07/22	9:00	Willow Swimming
	2:00	Chapmanslade Primary School 150 th Birthday Celebration Event
	4:30	150 th Birthday School Disco (free to attend)
18/07/22	12:15	Lunchtime Football Club (Mr Phillips Yr 1-3)
		School Reports Home
22/07/22	9:00	Willow Swimming
22/07/22	End of Term 6	

Important Dates for 2022-23

01/09/22	TD Day - School Closed to pupils
02/09/22	TD Day - School Closed to pupils
05/09/22	Term 1 Begins
03/01/23	TD Day - School Closed to pupils
Term 5	Redwood Class Swimming
Term 5	Redwood Class Residential @ Mill on the Brue (Details TBC in September)
Term 6	Willow Class Swimming
24/07/23	TD Day - School Closed to pupils
25/07/23	TD Day - School Closed to pupils