

Weekly Newsletter

LEADERSHIP UPDATE

As you know, we have been interviewing to find a new permanent headteacher for CHPS. While we had a number of strong candidates apply, we didn't find someone who was the perfect fit for us.

As we already have a leadership team, led by Mr Maguire, that is doing so many good things for the school – we decided that the right thing to do for our community was to allow this team to continue to flourish. As such, we have agreed that Mr Maguire will continue in his role at CHPS - not just for the rest of this academic year, but for all of 2025/26 too.

This will give us plenty of time to look at all of our options and ensure that, when a decision is made, we are 100% confident that it is the right long-term option for CHPS.

We would like to thank those candidates who applied, and thank Mr Maguire for his continued support for the school.

Natalie Samuels (Chair of Governors)

PTA UPDATE

Next week we are hoping to share visuals of proposals for further developments to the school grounds which we're planning thanks to the amazing PTA fundraising efforts over the last year or two.

The next project we would love you to get involved in was introduced to the children in assembly this week. The £20.25 for 2025 challenge tasks the children with raising £20.25 (or anywhere near that amount!) in any way they choose. This could be by doing 25 exercises a day, running 25km in April, baking 25 biscuits, doing 25 jobs around the house - or any other vaguely 25-related activity!

Donations will be collected via a specially created JustGiving page which can be accessed by clicking on this link. There will be prizes for the classes with the most participants!

We'd once again like to thank everyone for their amazing support of this years PTA events, your support is hugely valued.

END OF TERM ASSESSMENT REPORTING

Next week you will receive the outcomes of this terms' assessments which the majority of children took at the end of last month.

A subtle but important difference in the information you will receive this term is that all outcomes included are based solely on the tests including the 'level' indicated by this (e.g. 'Expected Standard'). Previously we had asked teachers to add their own judgements based on their more regular, informal assessments but since there is no official national description for these (until the children reach Year 6), we have increasingly found these unreliable both for internal monitoring and for reporting to you all as parents/carers. There continues to be no single test for writing so this will continue to be a teacher assessed level.

While a single test (or series of tests) will never be able to tell us everything about a child's current level of attainment, they are a concrete form of data and as such provide a very clear snapshot of where the children are in their learning.

As is the case now, the children may well not stay at the same 'level' over time, and their test scores may fluctuate alongside this (this is explained further on the report you will receive). Learning does not happen in a nice straight line (as convenient as this might be!) and as always, if you ever require a conversation with your child's Class Teacher about their progress, you are very welcome to contact them via admin@cheadlehulmeprimary.org.uk.

FAMILY HUB SESSION

One Stockport Family Hubs are running a series of information and advice sessions for parents of neurodivergent children and those with SEND. The sessions are free and no formal diagnosis is required.

More information about these sessions can be found here.

WORLD AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH

April is World Autism Acceptance Month. Autistic people face discrimination and barriers across all sectors of society – in the health and social care systems, in education, in employment, and everywhere in between.

It is crucial that autistic people, and their families and carers, can access tailored information, guidance and support to overcome those barriers, along with opportunities to explore their interests, develop skills and build friendships for fulfilled lives.

More information about this event can be found here.

<u>Further information about autism as a condition can be</u> <u>found here</u>.

Details of our school approach to SEND can be found here.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Choir performance - Wednesday 9th April (3.05pm) - the children will be treating you all at pick up time with a special performance of some of the songs they've been practising this year.

DT exhibition - Thursday 10th April (3.20pm) - Once you have collected your children at the end of the school day, they will take you back to their classrooms where they will show you their most recent DT project. This is an opportunity for your child to share their amazing work with you. Class teachers will also be there to ask any questions you may have about our DT learning.

Upcoming religious festivals - the following festivals will be taking place across the world over the next few weeks, if any parents are willing to come in to school to share their experiences of any of them, we would love to hear from you (please contact admin@cheadlehulmeprimary.org.uk):

Passover - from 12th April - Jewish festival celebrating the exodus of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.

Vaisakhi - 14th April - festival celebrated by both Hindus and Sikhs as the beginning of the Hindu solar new year and the creation of the Sikh Khalsa order.

Vesak - 12th May - Buddhist festival celebrating the birth, enlightenment and death of the Buddha.

KIDS CLUB

Easter Raffle

We are excited to announce that Kids Club is organising an Easter-themed raffle! All proceeds will go towards purchasing a special addition to our current resources, specifically chosen by the children.

Tickets are priced at £1.50 per strip – that's a cracking good deal! Who said you can't have a good time without shelling out too much? It's no yolking matter!

If you would like to purchase raffle tickets, please see Miss Singh or any member of the Kids Club team, who will be happy to assist you.

Outstanding balances

A reminder that all balances need to have been cleared by today.

Please submit any requests for amendments to your child's current Kids Club schedule for the following term by the last day of term which is the 11th April.

MATHS WORKSHOP DATE CHANGE

Following feedback from this years previous parent sessions, we are moving the timings of the maths workshop to 3.30pm on Thursday 15th May. This will be a practical session designed to support you as parents to help your child's maths learning at home - more details to follow!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

For a full list of dates for the 2024-25 academic year, please see our Annual Planner which can be accessed by clicking on this link.

11th April - Last day of term

28th April - Start of Summer Term

5th May - Bank Holiday (School closed)

15th May - Maths Methods workshop for parents

20th June - INSET Day

25th June - Digital Wellbeing workshop for parents

27th June - Year 1 Assembly