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Weekly Newsletter

Preparing our children for a world we know and a world yet to be discovered.

Developing fluent readers

Reading is at the heart of our curriculum at Cheadle Hulme Primary School as we recognise this is the key that unlocks learning across the whole curriculum. Furthermore, reading opens doors in terms of opportunity, enjoyment, lifelong success as well as academic success. It is paramount for us that all pupils are able to read confidently, fluently and accurately, but also that they develop a genuine love of reading.

Mrs Maddison (Reading Lead) recently updated families on the enhancements to our reading provision. In summary:

- Reception, Year One and pupils who are still receiving Phonics teaching will bring home a text from the FFT scheme that is matched to their current step in their learning sequence. These books are familiar texts and are fully decodable (the children should be able to read all of the words). These books are kept for a full week as research shows that books need to be read and re-read to support children in becoming fluent readers. The initial read of the book is most likely to include 'segmenting' and 'blending' words using the new sounds the children have learned. Repeated reads will enable the children to become more familiar with the text and story, where they will be more aware of appropriate intonation and expression that should be added.
- Pupils in Year 2 and above (once they have become successful in all steps of the Phonics scheme) will have an age-related text from their year group library. These include a fantastic range of accessible and engaging literature that has been carefully selected for each age group.

In addition to the above, pupils will also have access to a library book/recommended read for their year group to enjoy as part of promoting a culture of reading for pleasure. Some of these may require parents/carers to read alongside their child, but we hope you enjoy taking advantage of the opportunity this brings to enjoy story time together at home.

Click these links for further information about our approach to <u>Early Reading and Phonics</u> and the <u>Reading Flyer</u> that our Department for Education put together for pupils and families.

Instagram

As you know, we have moved our main school social media account to Instagram and have now established individual year group accounts too.

These accounts will remain private (like we had in place last term on X) and we will verify follower requests so that only families of pupils in the year group, alongside Trust Schools and staff, can view these feeds.

If you would like to follow your child's year group accounts, the handles are as follows:

Pre-School: chps.preschool

Reception: chps.reception

Year 1: <u>chps.year1</u>

Year 2: <u>chps.year2</u>

Year 3: chps.year3

Year 4: <u>chps.year4</u>

Year 5: <u>chps.year5</u>

In addition to following the above accounts, please complete this short form so that teachers can verify follower requests.

We hope you enjoy seeing what life is like at Cheadle Hulme Primary School through the window of Instagram!



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Mr Thompson, Head of School

Kids Club 2024-25

Yesterday, we shared the process for requesting sessions in our Kids Club for 24-25. Thank you to all families that have emailed to share their positive feedback regarding the changes to how places will be allocated, in efforts to ensure that all families will be able to access some of their childcare needs through this service. In addition, our Enrichment Clubs offer will be shared next week so that families have time to submit their requests with third-party providers and receive a response prior to the expression of interest form going live for Kids Club. In addition, we will be sharing our take on pupils in Y5&6 walking to/from school from September.

Information / Reminders Local Authority Fixed Penalty Notices

As part of the Department for Education's efforts to improve school attendance, the Local Authority have updated their policy on issuing fines to parents/carers that choose to take their child/children out of school during term time. When children miss school for term time holidays not only do they miss out on important learning, but they often take time to settle back into their learning routines. Please make sure you read the letter that has been shared with this week's Newsletter for further information.

Healthy Snacks and School Lunches Please remember that we are an allergy aware school and products containing **nuts should not be brought on site**. Ignoring this request can have serious, if not fatal, implications on staff or pupils who have allergies. Thank you for your support in ensuring KS2 snacks are fruit, vegetables or breadsticks/crackers.

In addition to the above, please ensure that packed lunches contain a mix of healthy items and appropriate treats that can be enjoyed after their 'main item' e.g. a sandwich or wrap.

Pupils ordering school lunches receive a main meal that adheres to government guidelines and a dessert that is made on site and includes much less sugar than you would find in chocolates or sweets. The jelly and yoghurts are always low sugar options and there is always a fruit option available to pupils.

CHPS PTA Help needed!

We are organising two big events this term for all of the CHPS community to enjoy.

Colour Run - TICKETS SELLING FAST! Don't miss out - come and join us for a fun-filled and colourful event on June 15th at Cheadle Town Football Club for what is sure to be a fun-filled and colourful event! The bar will be open serving a variety of food and drinks, along with a bouncy castle, stalls and lots of rainbows! Tickets can be booked here: <u>https://www.ptaevents.co.uk/chpspta</u> Please bring your donation for the rainbow raffle one day next week.

Summer Fair planning – please join us for the planning meeting on Weds 1st May at Brezo in Cheadle, everyone welcome! If you can help out in any way please get in touch with Jenny (parent to Martha in Y3 and William in Y1) or Gill (parent to Olivia and Grace in Y3) via your class rep or <u>pta.chps@gmail.com</u>. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the PTA and help fundraise to enhance your child's experience in school.

Dates for the Diary

29th Apr - Phonics Meeting for families 29th Apr - Colour Run raffle donations in any day throughout this week 1st May - Summer Fair Planning Mtg Brezo Lounge, 8pm 6th May - Bank Holiday (School Closed) 8th May - Worry Management Workshop for Y5 Parents/Carers, 9am 9th May - Class Photographs 13th May - Y4 Malham Information Session, 3:30pm, Year 2CI 15th Jun - Colour Run 21st Jun - Chocolate Tombola Donations 28th Jun - Bottle Tombola Donations 29th Jun - Summer Fair