



School Newsletter – Thursday 1st April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of a short term here at Chattenden. It has been so good to have the children back in school these past few weeks. They have really engaged with their learning, and although it has been challenging to get back into routine, they are re-adapting to the normal way of school life. Pupils took part in Assessment Week last week, and this will allow teachers to see where the gaps in learning are that need to be tackled next term. Well done to the children for showing tremendous determination with their learning!

Life continues to be strange and tricky, but as the days become warmer and longer, I hope that you will be able to see some friends and family outside, as the law now allows. I wish you and your families a peaceful Easter. We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Monday 19th April**.



Mr R. Boyjoonauth
Principal

Easter Bonnet Parade

Well done to all of the children who participated in the virtual Easter Bonnet parade today! There were some great, imaginative bonnets on display. The class winners were Kyla-Mae in Year R, Khloe in Year 1, Evie in Year 2, Samuel in Year 3, Taylie-Mae in Year 4, Ruby in Year 5 and Rory in Year 6. The Key Stage winners were Khloe in KS1 and Rory in KS2, so well done! A special commendation for Ruby in Year 5.

Booster Groups

Some children will be invited to attend Booster Groups before and after school in Term 5. Please look out for letters going out on Monday 19th April.

Covid Track and Trace

We have been informed by the Department of Education that for the first 2 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. Therefore, if this is the case, until the 3rd April you should email the school office address on office@chattenden.medway.sch.uk.

Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Healthy Eating and Cooking

Pupils this week had a mouthwatering food demonstration by Chartwells this week! The theme was healthy cooking and eating. The children had a demonstration of how to cook scrumptious noodles with rainbow coloured vegetables. We have all indulged due to lockdown, so we are keen to get the children fit, healthy and active! Mrs Stickings has lots of activities planned for next term. A polite reminder that crisps, sweets and chocolates are not allowed in school and snacks should be healthy. Children are allowed a treat day on Friday when they are allowed to have crisps.

Kingfisher Class

Kingfisher's outside learning area is looking a little different to the last time you saw it! We thought you might like a sneaky peek as you are unable to see the changes that are happening. We would like to say a huge thank you to the Artificial Lawn Company based on Thong Lane, Gravesend for their grass donation. The grass, along with new resources and equipment have made the area more inviting, useable and most importantly are supporting the development of our Year R children.



Dates for the Diary

Monday 19th April	First day of Term 5 – ALL children return to school
Thursday 22nd April	Kingfisher Class Health Checks
Monday 3rd May	Early May Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
w/c Monday 17th May	Year 6 Bikeability
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Monday 24th May	Jaguar Class Health Checks
Friday 28th May	Last day of Term 5