



School Newsletter – Friday 24th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Children are all settling down really well into their school routines. It has been a pleasure to be part of our Reception children's early learning experiences here at Chattenden.

Across the school amazing work is being displayed and it is so positive to see all of the children's wonderful writing going up on the Writing Walls. Term is definitely under full swing! Well done to all of those children who participated in the Medway Test - you all worked tremendously hard and were all wonderful!

Miss J North
Principal

Celebrating Reading



Buster's Book Club

Well done and thank you to everyone who has started joining in again with Buster's Book Club every Tuesday evening. In the first week alone, children at Chattenden read for nearly 3000 minutes! Can we beat this in the coming weeks? Every minute counts! For our children in Reception, any story time or shared reading can be counted towards Buster's Bok Club. Please remember to record the number of minutes on your child's bookmark every Tuesday. Keep up the great reading Chattenden!

National Fitness Day



We were delighted to welcome Skipping Dan to school this week. The whole school participated in National Fitness Day by keeping active through skipping.

Children are able to bring their skipping ropes into school – please ensure that they are clearly labelled.



Medway Maths Competition

Please encourage your child to take part in the Medway Maths Competition. It begins on Friday 24th September for one week. Last year Chattenden did so well – taking top three positions throughout the year. Let's see if we can do it again! Go Chattenden!



ParentPay

Please remember that the school is now cashless and all payments for clubs, trips, etc will need to be made online through our secure ParentPay system. If you have not yet signed up to ParentPay please email finance@chattenden.medway.sch.uk with details of your child's name and class and the ParentPay login will be provided to you. If you do not have access to online banking you will be able to make payments in certain shops through the PayPoint system.

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club has been the hive of activity this term. If you would like your child/ren to join us at Breakfast Club, stay and play costs £2 per child per session and all you can eat breakfast costs £3.50. The sessions start at 7.45 am every morning. Please email Mrs Stewart on the Friday before the week that you require at breakfastclub@chattenden.medway.sch.uk to book a place. We look forward to hearing from you.

Parent Workshops

We are really looking forward to the ASD workshop with Lorraine Lewin on Tuesday next week. If any parents wish to attend that haven't yet returned their slips please contact the school office.



In light of previous feedback received from parents/carers, we are hosting a healthy eating workshop, the workshop will be run by Chartwells our catering company. For further details, please see the letter.

PASTORAL, COMMUNITY AND WELLBEING INFORMATION

Internet Safety and Social Media

We have been speaking to the children about social media and staying safe online. We will be sharing different resources for parents throughout the year to support with keeping children safe online.



Good to Grow from Morrisons

From September, for every £10 spent in store or online, you'll get one Grow Token that our school can then redeem for a wide range of gardening and growing equipment.

We are keen to develop children's outdoor learning opportunities so greatly value your support in this area.



Chattenden Primary School has been successful in our bid for trees donated by the Woodland Trust to mark the Queen's Jubilee. We are proud to be taking part in the Queen's Green Canopy project. The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. The Queen's Green Canopy will create a network of individual trees, avenues and whole woodlands in honour of The Queen's reign and the legacy she has built. This will create a green legacy of its own, with every tree planted bringing benefits for people, wildlife and climate, now and for the future. It will also provide the children of Chattenden Primary with an outdoor space to learn, which will grow alongside the children. We are asking for members of our community to help us in our 'Big Dig' to plant the saplings which are to be delivered. Chattenden Big Dig will take place on **Friday 19th November 1.30pm -3pm on the school field**. If you are able to lend a hand you will need suitable outdoor clothing and your own shovel. We would greatly appreciate any volunteers! If you feel you can help us out please email the school office: office@chattenden.medway.sch.uk and mark emails for the attention of Mrs Diddams. Thank you for your continued support.



Dates for the Diary

Monday 27 th September 2021	Year 6 – Health checks
Tuesday 28 th September 2021	ASD Parent Workshop – 09:15
Monday 4 th October 2021	Space Dome – Year's R & 5
Monday 4 th October 2021	Medway test results day
Thursday 7 th October 2021	Healthy eating parent workshop
Wednesday 20 th October 2021	Harvest Festival (more details to follow)
Friday 22 nd October 2021	Last day of Term 1 – normal finish time

