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ATTENDANCE



In a previous newsletter I wrote about the need for our children to attend school as regularly as possible. Attendance is one of the pieces of data about a school which OFSTED, rightly take a keen interest in. I am obviously keen to keep our attendance as high as possible. I would rather be spending time celebrating the amazing opportunities that Cheriton offers our children than explaining attendance, which is below national averages. We have had a spell of higher levels of ill health in recent weeks and I fully approve of a child taking time off to recover and to prevent the spread of germs. If, however, you are unsure about whether or not your child is well enough to attend school this website may be of use to you: https://www.what0-18.nhs.uk/parentscarers/worried-your-child-unwell/child-unwell-ok-go-nurseryschool It offers some very clear advice regarding a range of ailments.

Mr Goldsworthy



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Anti-Bullying week is where we think about how to stop bullying.

We made an acoustic poem about positive words from Anti-Bullying.

We wore odd socks to remember that differences are good and you shouldn't bully someone for their differences.

We joined a BBC Teach Live lesson all about making a noise about bullying and if you see bullying behaviour, tell a trusted adult such as a teacher or parent.

By Mei and Evie



CHERITON PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Thursday 30th November, 10.30 to 11.30am & 19.00 to 20.30pm



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To all at Cheriton Primary School

Thank you all from Alresford Rotary for your gift of 33 Christmas shoeboxes of presents for disadvantaged and displaced children in eastern Europe. Many of your boxes will be going to Ukrainian children who are refugees, as well as to those who are in need in the countries of destination. It's been wonderful to have had your school "on board" again this year and hopefully we can do it again next year!

Your 33 boxes joined 418 others collected by Alresford Rotary and were taken to a collection point in Boscombe on 11th November where they added to a further 18,218 boxes collected by Rotary Wessex and very shortly those 18,669 boxes will be on their way to bring happiness to children living in difficult circumstances, many of whom will never previously have been given a present!

Although we are Alresford Rotary we consider our "patch" to include all the local villages and we are keen to help such communities. Each year we are able to give several thousands of pounds to help local, as well as international, needs so please don't hesitate to let us know if there is anything we can help with. Unless you let us know, we can't help you and the worst that can happen is that we turn down your request! Similarly, from time to time, we are able to undertake simple projects such as the recent transformation of a neglected border at the entrance to Perins school.

Alresford Rotary wants to make a greater contribution to the wider mid Hampshire Community. Please let us know how we can and if you would, on a regular or occasional basis, like to help us to do so!



KS2 children led a very moving Remembrance Service. They shared poems and prayers and sang beautifully.

Thank you Classes 3 & 4.







HARK I can hear the faint jingle of bells in the distance, Christmas is nearly upon us!

As promised, Friends have been putting the well earnt funds **back** into school with some major purchased for the Classes plus the school as a whole. Here is what we have bought so far:

- £96.00 for AccessArt.org subscription to help support and facilitate more diverse arts and activities for all the children giving teachers more ideas and resources across the curriculum.
- o £50.00 to Men's Shed to build the water wall for Class 1
- o Online Safety Training for the whole school and a parent assembly
- £400.54 for 82 new books of the 100 "Recommended Reads" for Class 3.
- £225.00 contribution to the school Pantomime enabling reduction in ticket price for the children / parents.
- £240.00 for 2 x parking buddies as part of school road safety (further details soon)
- £262.00 for explore to learn science, maths games and STEM activities for Class 2 (coming soon)
- £50.00 on Crackers for the children to enjoy with their Christmas lunch







There is more to do but this will rely on the funding pot being topped up so we hope that you will support the last 2023 fundraisers.

Our focus for 2024 is to support the library refurbishment to which plans are already on the go with the help of Mrs Gent and Hampshire Library Services....more will be revealed next year so watch this space!

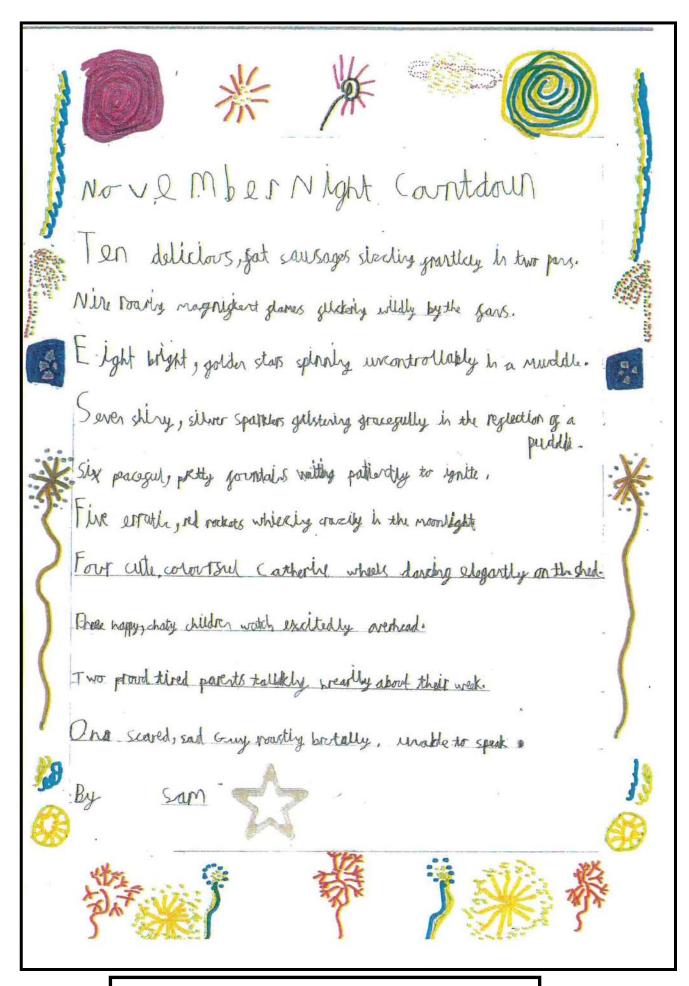


Thank you for your patience with the "Friends & Parents Community" What's App group, I hope you are all finding it helpful. I have been unable to find a way to allow comments so please continue to engage with your emojis.

Lastly I want to thank Kate Munce for her contributions as Trustee as she will now be stepping down from her role within Friends but continues to be an active member of school staff. I am sure you will agree she has been a force in getting many of the outdoor school items sorted.

Festive Wishes to you all

Robyn
Chair & Trustee of Friends



A lovely poem by Sam D - Well done!



£158.76 raised......

THANK YOU!

Buying Christmas Presents Online?

Don't forget if you are buying presents online you can raise money for the school without doing a thing! Go through 'easyfundraising' either using the link on the school website 'Parents' - 'Friends of Cheriton' page—scroll down to the bottom or go directly to

http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cheritonprimary

The 'easyfundraising' site will take you to the retailer (Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis, Comet, Vodafone, eBay, Boden and Play.com - there are over 2,000), then a percentage of whatever you spend comes directly to us at no extra cost to yourself. It's the easiest way to help raise money for 'Friends' and the school. Thanks to all those who have already signed up, happy shopping everyone!

CHERITON PRIMARY SCHOOL - REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR 2023

DONATION REQUESTS:

DAY	DATE	DONATION REQUEST
1	Monday 4th December	Christmas Cakes (small) Shower Gel/Shampoo
2	Tuesday 5 th December	Christmas Puddings (small) Chocolate
3	Wednesday 6th December	Mince Pies Sweets/Small selection boxes
4	Thursday 7th December	Biscuits (any nice Christmas ones!) Deodorant – (male & female)
5	Friday 8 th December	Tooth Brushes/Toothpaste Snacks and Nibbles – NO NUTS PLEASE

DIARY DATES

24th Nov Film Night—Leo.

28th Nov Book Fair arrives for one week.

30th Nov Open Day/Evening—10.00 to 11.30am & 19.00 to 20.30pm.
2nd Dec Christmas Tree Sale—Front playground—8.30 to 11.30am

4th Dec Reverse Calendar. For one week.

7th Dec Christmas Jumper Day in exchange for £1—Defib upkeep

7th Dec Christmas Lunch

12th Dec Nativity — Church- 6.15 to 7pm. N.B—CHANGE TO DATE (Santa is coming

to Alresford on the 6th!)

11th Dec Panto in School—"Gnome Alone" Afternoon.

15th Dec Break up for Christmas—1.30pm.

2nd Jan INSET DAY

10th Jan Swimming—KS2 at Alton Sports Centre—10 sessions.

26th Feb KS2—Explore the Orchestra—Portsmouth Guildhall-afternoon.

13th to 16th May SATS-KS2

5th June Class 2—Milestones visit.

1st—3rd July Class 4 Residential—Marchants Hill.

Term Dates: Sept 2023- July 2024

<u>Autumn Term 2023</u> starts on Friday 1st September 2023 and ends on Friday 15 December 2023 (Half term from Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October 2023)

<u>Spring Term 2024</u> starts on Tuesday 2 January 2024 and ends on Thursday 28 March 2024 (Half term from Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February 2024)

<u>Summer Term 2024</u> starts on Monday 15 April 2024 and ends on Tuesday 23 July 2024 (Half term from Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May 2024)

CLUBS

SINGING CLUB Monday — (8.30am) - Hall, KS2 No Charge

DRAMA BEASTS Monday—(12.30 to 1.00pm) - Library KS1 & KS2

FOOTBALL Friday—(3.30 to 4.30pm) - KS1 & KS2 - Back playground

NETBALL Tuesday (3.30 to 4.30pm) - KS2 - Back playground

SCHOOL BAND Wednesday (8.30 to 9.00) - Hall, KS2 No Charge

COOKERY Wednesday (3.30 to 4.30pm) - KS1 & 2 - Hall

GARDENING Thursday—(Lunchtime) - KS1 & KS2 No Charge

FRENCH Friday - (Lunchtime) - KS1 & KS2 - Front playground

MUSIC LESSONS—Woodwind/Piano/Violin (Private lessons in school time.)

We have spaces in Clarinet and Saxophone lessons for Yrs 4,5 & 6. Contact Melissa Debont melissadebont@yahoo.com for more details.









