





10th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Yet another busy week at Chacewater and as always there has been lots happening.

Our week began with a magical treat for our youngest learners in Reception and Key Stage 1. They had the incredible opportunity to watch the enchanting show - "Arthur's Club." It was a fantastic chance for our children to experience a professional production up close, and their faces lit up with delight throughout the performance. An absolutely BRILLIANT start to the week for everyone that had the opportunity to watch it. Thank you again to Mrs Cotton for helping to make this happen.

On Monday, a number of our football stars had their first league match of the season against St Erme. It was a close and thrilling match, but our determined team emerged victorious with a 2-1 win! I was very proud of the win but even prouder of the attitudes, determination and team work that everyone showed. WELL DONE!

This week, we were all left in awe by Mr. Dihman and his amazing guitarists. Their fantastic performance inspired many of our children to consider taking up a musical instrument. Who knows, we might have some future rockstars among us!

Throughout the week, Miss O'Callaghan engaged our children in learning about the festival of Diwali, which is taking place this Sunday. They explored the significance of this festival, celebrating new beginnings, the triumph of good over evil, and light over darkness. It was a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn about and celebrate different cultures and traditions.

Today, we brought our school community together to observe Remembrance Day with a minute of silence. This moment allowed us to reflect on the sacrifices made by our armed forces, both in the past and more recently. It's essential to teach our children the importance of remembering those who have served our country and the impact they have had in making our country what it is today.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend ahead. As always, thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. We look forward to another week filled with exciting learning opportunities!

I hope you have a great weekend.

Mr Hick

Year 4 (Bur Oaks)

As you will all be aware, Miss Hoare is expecting a baby and we are all very excited for her and her family. I am delighted to be able to let you know that we have appointed Mr Lara, an experienced teacher, to cover Miss Hoare's period of maternity leave. Mr Lara will officially join our school in the new year but will have some transition days with Miss Hoare before she leaves us. Mr Lara will teach Bur Oaks over the full week but Miss Alston will still remain as part of our school, working across all of our classes, as well as providing some interventions and tutoring.

History Day – November 17th



On this special day, all our children are encouraged to come to school dressed in the period/area of history they are learning about:

- Acorns Who helps us in our community?
- Seedlings Changes within living memory (think grandparents!)
- Buds First Flight (Wright Brothers)
- Young Oaks Stone Age/Iron Age
- ➢ Bur Oaks − Romans
- ➤ Red Oaks Anglo Saxons
- Mighty Oaks Vikings

This is a fantastic way to make history come to life but please don't feel any pressure to go out and buy expensive costumes. If you are stuck for ideas or need some help then please speak to us.

Swimming – rapidly approaching – Y4

We are really pleased that we will be able to take our Y4 children (Bur Oaks) swimming in over a two-week block – week beginning 27th November and 4th

December. The children will swim every morning at Truro Leisure Centre and will be taught by trained swimming instructors. We will travel by coach each day and hope that parents/carers will be able contribute towards the cost of transport through ParentPay at an equivalent of £2.50 per day.

The children will need a swimming hat, goggles and a towel for these sessions.

This means that the only day that the children will need a PE kit on during this period in year 4 is a Monday.

LIFE SKILLS

On Wednesday next week, Mr Hick and Mrs Law will be taking Red Oaks to a 'life skills' event in Truro. This will take place during the afternoon and we will travel by minibus to the event. We will back for the end of the school day.

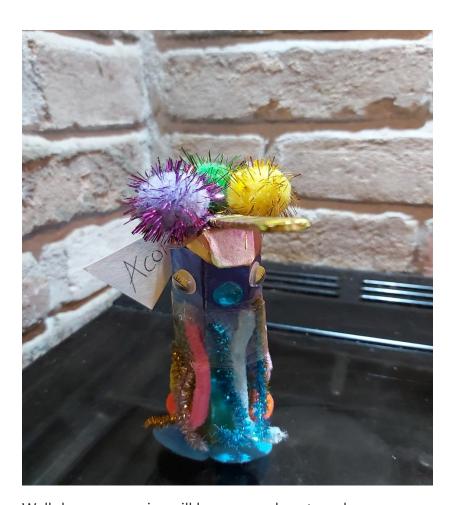
Online Safety Newsletter

Our latest Online Safety newsletter can be found <u>HERE</u>. This month it focuses on live streaming and setting up parental controls. Definitely worth checking out.

From the PTA

Smarties

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the smarties fundraiser over the half term week. We saw some amazing creations from your children and it was really difficult to pick a winner - however we decided on this absolute beauty......



Well done, your prize will be arranged next week.

The clear overall class winner who raised the most was drum roll please.......

ACORNS!!!!!!

Amazing effort Acorns, thank you all so much!!

Christmas Fayre

Don't forget to book in for the Elf workshops. These slots are limited to 16 children per session so we really recommend booking in advance to guarantee your place. Sessions can be booked here - Chacewater School PTA (pta-events.co.uk)

We are doing TEA TOWELS!!

Get yourself ready for Christmas with a present for all the family. Or buy yourself a keepsake (we all remember these from our childhood surely?)

We have a strict deadline of 19th November to have all orders completed by. Tea towels are £6 each and are being printed by an outside company. This will help raise extra funds for the school too so a win win for everyone.

Please follow the link to order Chacewater School PTA (pta-events.co.uk)



Wreath Making Evening (Adults only event) FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER

****Limited spaces remaining****

Tickets are £27 and include everything you need to make a beautiful wreath, plus a mince pie and a mulled wine (or non alcoholic alternative).

There will be a bar to purchase drinks plus lots of Christmas spirit. To book visit here - Chacewater School PTA (pta-events.co.uk)



Nut Free



Please remember that we are a nut free school. There are several children in school that have severe nut allergies and therefore we kindly ask that you avoid giving children nuts in packed lunches.

Breaktime Snacks

Fruit snack is only provided to children in key stage 1. Children in key stage 2 will need to bring in their own healthy snack for break time. Please also remember to send your children to school with a bottle containing water. Juice is allowed at lunchtime.

<u>Asthma Pumps</u>

If your child has an asthma pump then please do make sure that we have this in school.



<u>Footwear</u>

Please can you ensure that your children are wearing appropriate <u>black shoes</u> to school as part of our uniform. Can we also request that children come to school with PE shoes that are suitable for outdoor PE.

Dates For Your Diary		
17.11.23	History Day	
12.12.23	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Nativity – 9.30am and 1.30pm (TBC)	
13.12.23	Christmas Lunch	
13.12.23	Christmas Carol Concerts (key stage 2) – afternoon and evening	
14.12.23	Reception Christmas Nativity - 9.30am and 2pm (TBC)	
19.12.23	End of autumn term	
3.1.24	INSET Day	
4.1.24	Start of spring term	



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Harlee & Emilia
SEEDLINGS	James & Delilah
BUDS	Edmon & Mia
YOUNG OAKS	Caleb & Grace
BUR OAKS	Isla & Stanley
RED OAKS	Leo & Reuben
MIGHTY OAKS	Marlowe & Isabel





