



19<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Another very busy but great week at Chacewater has whizzed by! I have been really struck this week by how sensibly and thoughtfully our children have engaged with conversations and activities as part of our participation in the NSPCC's 'Speak out. Stay safe' programme. There have been some really rich discussions around rights, responsibilities and keeping ourselves safe.



As a school staff we have been having a really close look at our curriculum over the last few weeks and this is something which we will continue with over the next couple of terms. Over the last two weeks we have had put a closer spotlight on English, particularly looking at our approaches to phonics, early reading and writing. I have been really fortunate to spend some time in every class this week looking at the learning that is taking place and I have been blown away by the enthusiasm and positive attitudes of the children to English.

We have ended the week brilliantly, having fun for Children in Need, whilst raising some money for a very deserving charity. In our assemblies this week we spent some time looking at the work that Children in Need do and how they support children and their families in all kinds of different ways. Our non-uniform day saw a variety of outfits from kilts to superheroes! You can see some photos from our day below.



You may notice that our website has now changed. We are still updating and moving content so please do stick with us while we get just how we want it.

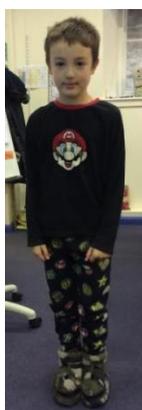
Have a great weekend.

Mr Hick

Children in Need – Photos from today.



As you know we would welcome a £1 donation but are trying to avoid lots of cash in school if you haven't donated yet and would like to then follow the link [here](#).



## Christmas

You may have noticed that we have dates for Acorn's nativity, KS1 (Y1 & Y2 combined) nativity and KS2 carol concerts. We really want to do these live with parents/carers in attendance **but** we will have to be mindful of the COVID situation at the time and this could change. We will offer two times for each performance, one during the school day and one in the evening. Times will be confirmed soon and we will operate a ticket system.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast club has started and bookings can be made in the same way as we now do for Chatterbox, through Parent Pay (**last bookings by 3.15pm the day before**). The club runs from 7.45am through to the start of the school day and we are providing the children with a drink and a choice of cereal or toast (or both if they want!). It is being run by Mrs Dicker and Mr Smith and there is a session charge of £3.50 per day.



**As you know we are starting this on a trial basis only. At the moment booking numbers are low and if this does remain the case over the next few weeks then it may not be viable for us to continue to offer this provision.**

### Exciting news from the PTA!!!

Tickets for TEA WITH SANTA are now live to book via the link below. £5 per child and includes tea and a gift from Santa. (There is no booking fee)

There are two separate sessions, 8th and 9th December. Both 3:30 - 5pm at Chacewater bowling club. Children will need to be collected from school as usual and dropped to the bowling club.

Unfortunately, parents will not be able to stay due to numbers and covid restrictions. At this time it is only open to children at the school, if we have space we will open to siblings.

Any problems or questions please don't hesitate to ask. Numbers are limited on each day but there are enough spaces for the whole school over the two days.

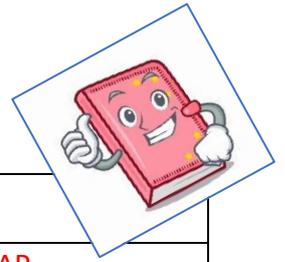
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/chacewaterschoolpta/index.cfm#.YZVTb2DP3IU>

## St. Paul's Church

St Paul's Church invites you to the following:

Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 9.45am – a family friendly service to celebrate animals and pets. You are welcome to bring photos of special pets.

Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from 10.00am – 2pm – A Christmas Sale. Christmas gifts available to include toys, books, adults and children's clothes. Morning coffee, soup and crumble lunches.



### Dates For Your Diary

13.12.21	Acorn Nativity (two performances) times confirmed ASAP.
14.12.21	KS1 Nativity (two performances) times confirmed ASAP.
15.12.21	KS2 Carol Concert 6pm
16.12.21	KS2 Carol Concert 1pm (TBC).
17.12.21	Last day of Autumn Term
4.1.22	First day of Spring term



## GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Thea & Charlie
SEEDLINGS	Conor & Neo
BUDS	Ellie & Evelyn
YOUNG OAKS	Annabelle & Isabelle
BUR OAKS	Freya & Rudi
RED OAKS	Alana & Rory
MIGHTY OAKS	Jack & Melody

