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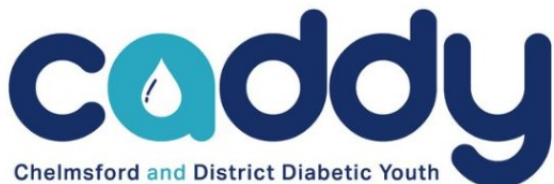
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Dear All,
Happy New year to you all! I hope that everybody enjoyed an enjoyable break from school.
It was wonderful to welcome the children back yesterday and see them settle back into their learning and seeing their friends.
Please ensure that your child/children wear the correct school uniform, with correct school shoes, ties and looking smart.
Also as we are in the midst of Winter, please ensure that your child arrives at school with suitable outdoor clothing for playtimes.
We very much look forward to the experiences which this term will bring to our children. Please continue to support your child with their homework, reading, times table practice and phonics for our younger children. Completing homework consistently makes a significant impact on a child's progress and confidence.
Best wishes,
Mrs Natasha Robson
Head Teacher



Collections for Chelmsford and District Diabetic Youth

Thank you to everyone who donated at our EYFS and Year 2 Christmas performances. We raised a fabulous £364.25 for Chelmsford and District Diabetic Youth (CaDDY).



Events Diary

If there are any changes to the dates listed, we will notify you as soon as possible.

- 10.01.24:** Year 6 Visit to Parliament - children to arrive at school by 6.40am
 - 15.01.24:** Year 5 Trip to The Royal Greenwich Observatory - children to arrive at school by 8.10am
 - 16.01.24:** Parents English Workshop 8.45am for KS2 and 2.45pm for KS1 both in KS2 hall
 - 25.01.24:** Progress - Years 1 - 6 starting at 2.50pm in classrooms
- Further information about the events below will be sent out soon**
- 30.01.24:** Parents Evening - Face to Face
 - 31.01.24:** Parents Evening - Face to Face
 - 01.02.24:** Parents Evening - Face to Face
 - 06.02.24:** EYFS Learning Journey at 2.50pm in classrooms
 - 07.02.24:** Year 3 Class Presentations
 - 09.02.24:** Forest School - Harriers PM
 - 16.02.24:** Forest School - Kestrels PM
 - 19.02.24 - 23.02.24:** Half Term
 - 26.02.24:** Non Pupil Day



Community Information

Information regarding the following has been included in the community section of our school website, please take a look if you would like further information. These are all third party events/information, not endorsed by the school, but they may be of interest to you.

- E-Bike and E-Scooter Safety Guidance

Dinner Menu Rotation

Week commencing 08/01/24: Spring Term Lunch Menu 1

Week commencing 15/01/24: Spring Term Lunch Menu 2

Week commencing 22/01/24: Spring Term Lunch Menu 3

Week commencing 29/01/24: Spring Term Lunch Menu 1

Orders for the week commencing 08/01/24 have now closed.

Dinner menus for the weeks commencing 15th, 22nd and 29th January are now available to view on the school website and orders can be placed online via SCOPAY. Paper copies have also been sent home with all children today, and spare copies of the menu can be collected from outside of the school office. The deadline for placing orders (either online or by returning the paper copy to school) is 1pm on Wednesday 10th January.



Primary School Admissions

The primary school (Reception) admission round opened on Monday 6th November 2023, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2024. The statutory national closing date for applications is 15th January 2024.

Applications can be made online via;
www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

All of the application information is available on the website. The website also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2023-24 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

Payment Reminders

Year 6 Visit to Parliament: Payments and permission slips are due by Monday 8th January 2024. These can be returned to the school office or completed via Scopay.

Year 5 Trip to The Royal Greenwich Observatory: Payments and permission slips are due by Tuesday 9th January 2024. These can be returned to the school office or completed via Scopay.

If there are any problems making payments please speak to the office. Thank you.

Recent Letters And Communications

- Reminder for After School Activity Clubs this Term
- Senior Leader Structure
- Wide Awake Club bookings week commencing 15th, 22nd and 29th January
- Dinner menus week commencing 15th, 22nd and 29th January
- Year 6 Trip Payment Reminder
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- Year 6 Leavers Hoodies
- Year 6 and Year 5 - Mobile Phone and Smart Watch Policy
- Parents English Workshop - Tuesday 16th January
- Message from Essex Police re: technology devices
- iRock 2024
- Parents Survey about Playtime
- Tennis Club Spring Term
- After School Clubs run by External Providers - Basketball, Choir and Hip Hop
- Spring 2024 After School Clubs run by School Staff

Midday Assistant (MDA) Vacancy

Would you, or anyone you know, be interested in assisting our children at lunchtimes? We require a MDA from 11.45am to 1.15pm, Monday to Friday, term time only from January 2024. The rate of pay is £11.79 per hour. All appointments are subject to safer recruitment requirements to ensure the safeguarding of children. All positions will involve appropriate checks and clearances.

If you are interested please email admin@chippinghill.essex.sch.uk or come into the school office to pick up an application form.



Spring Term Clubs

Enrolment forms for all clubs have been sent home via email. Copies are also available from outside the school office. Please return all confirmation slips to school by Monday 8th January.

MONDAYS:

Choir (Years 1 - 6): From 8th January to 11th March, finishing at 4.15pm (£30)

KS1 Multisport (Years 1 & 2): From 15th January to 18th March, finishing at 4.15pm

KS2 Girls Football (Years 3 - 6): From 15th January to 18th March, finishing at 4.30pm (£40)

TUESDAYS:

Tennis (Years 1 - 6): From 16th January to 26th March, finishing at 4.05pm (£50)

Boys Football (Years 3 & 4): From 16th January to 19th March, finishing at 4.15pm

KS2 Tag Rugby (Years 3 - 6): From 16th January to 19th March, finishing at 4.30pm (£45)



WEDNESDAYS:

Hip Hop (Years 3 - 6): From 10th January to 14th February, finishing at 4.15pm (£30)

Boys Football (Years 5 & 6): From 17th January to 20th March, finishing at 4.15pm

KS1 Football (Years 1 & 2): From 17th January to 20th March, finishing at 4.30pm (£45)

THURSDAYS:

Hip Hop (Years 1 & 2): From 11th January to 15th February, finishing at 4.15pm (£30)

KS2 Multisport (Years 3 - 6): From 18th January to 21st March, finishing at 4.30pm (£45)

Netball (Years 5 & 6): From 18th January to 21st March, finishing at 4.15pm

FRIDAYS:

KS2 Running Club (Years 3 - 6): From 19th January to 22nd March, finishing at 4.15pm

Girls Basketball (Years 2 - 6): From 12th January to 22nd March, finishing at 4.15pm (£50)

Year 5 - Biomes

Year 5 have been learning about Biomes and finished off the topic by making amazing biomes in a box. We also did some beautiful printing.

