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" Love each other as I have loved you." John 15 verse 12

8th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here is a look at what is happening in school next week:

Monday 11 th January	KS2 children in school 8.45 - 3pm KS1 & YR children in school 9am - 3.15pm PE kits being worn by children in Willow and Apple Classes
Tuesday 12 th January	KS2 children in school 8.45 - 3pm KS1 & YR children in school 9am - 3.15pm PE kits being worn by children in Apple, Chestnut & Birch Classes
Wednesday 13 th January	KS2 children in school 8.45 - 3pm KS1 & YR children in school 9am - 3.15pm Chestnut Class children to be dressed for "Forest School Activities" (see separate letter for details) PE kits being worn by children in Oak, Birch & London Plane Classes to participate in "Kind Space Yoga" session pm 5pm Governors Curriculum Meeting 7.30pm PTFA meeting via ZOOM (see below for details)
Thursday 14 th January	KS2 children in school 8.45 - 3pm KS1 & YR children in school 9am - 3.15pm PE kits being worn by children in Oak and London Plane Classes

Friday 15 th January	KS2 children in school 8.45 - 3pm KS1 & YR children in school 9am - 3.15pm PE kits being worn by children in Chestnut, Willow, Birch & London Plane Classes
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Happy New Year!

.....unexpectedly, despite an enjoyable first day of term on Monday, it was all change on Tuesday!

As with many schools we have more children in school now than during the first lockdown. We have 81 children attending each day (approximately 40% of the school). As a school, we strongly believe in supporting our keyworker families and those that fit into other categories as set out by the DfE. We know that no family would abuse the system. Although the government have to date not specified a limit on the number of children per class bubble, we are working on the notion of no more than 15 (the limit imposed before the summer holidays) to ensure staff and children are safe. (Which means we only have spaces left in Y5 and Y6).

Specific information for those learning in and out of school can be found below:



Learners in school Those in school:

- Will follow a normal school day. Please note if it's a PE/Forest School day ensure your children are wearing the right clothes
- Keep to the school opening hours ie: KS2 children in school 8.45 - 3pm and KS1 & YR children in school 9am - 3.15pm
- Please note that **every child** in school as of Monday will be given a **free hot school dinner** (if your child would prefer to bring their own school packed lunch, they may)
- All children can bring in a morning snack (fruit or vegetable) The normal fruit delivery is currently on hold
- Everyone will need to wear layers!

The DfE guidance says: *natural ventilation - open windows to provide constant background ventilation, and these are to be opened more fully during breaks to purge the air in the space. Opening internal doors can also assist with creating a throughput of air.*

The school heating is on, but windows/doors are ajar to comply with the above statement and ultimately for the overall well being of all ie the virus to be dispersed if around.

Classes are not cold but neither are they toasty warm. Base layers, vests, tights, another tshirt worn underneath the uniform may be needed.

- Those attending school will need to contact the school office if not, as the registers continue to be taken and we need to account for any absence. Equally should your child be experiencing COVID related symptoms we need to know. Last term we were fortunate and did not need to close any class bubbles - unsure if we will be as fortunate this term.



Learners at home As you know this time around the government are wishing that "all children and young people deserve the opportunity for a high-quality continued education" including those who are participating in remote learning.

- All teachers will upload the day's learning by 9am. We ask that you support/encourage your children to engage with that - obviously timetabled in to suit your day at home. It will mirror what the children in school are doing.
- Feedback (related to learning set) will be given to all learning uploaded onto SeeSaw by the teachers. Please appreciate that the teachers are teaching, most have a class of 15 and will not be able to respond to anything until the end of the school day.
- The teachers will be in weekly contact ie will ring, anyone who is not visibly via SeeSaw responding to the home learning.

We are aware that for some, the Seesaw home learning is unable to start until the technology for them has been organised. Please contact the school if you do not have access to a device to access the home learning for each of your children.

The government is keen to support remote learning during the pandemic, and are making it easier for children during this lockdown to access the internet. Help is available through:

- *increased data allowances for mobile phone users - this allows children and young people to access remote education*
- *4G wireless routers - this scheme has been extended, with SIM cards for all routers providing 20GB per month until the end of July 2021*

Should either of the above offers help you please contact our bursar Nikki Brown either by email over the weekend nbrown@chidham.w-sussex.sch.uk or ring her on Monday 01243 572380 to enable her to place an order for you by Tuesday.



COVID-19 Safety If your child does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from the nhs.uk website at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> If you are concerned about your child's symptoms, or they are worsening you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://111.nhs.uk/> or by phoning 111.

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Please remember to:

- wash your hands with soap and water often - do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards.

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>



Chichester Observer If you saw last week's Chichester Observer (dated 31st December) you would have seen photographs of the Cherry, Apple, Chestnut and Oak Classes (as shared with you on the last Friday Flyer) on page 13 - they looked fab!



Welcome We are delighted to have 2 students from the University of Chichester here on their final teaching practice this term. Miss Charlotte Colley is working in Apple Class and Miss Hannah Richards is in Birch Class. It is exciting to be part of their professional training and they are excited about completing their final placement and looking forward to securing jobs to have their own classes in September.



PTFA Meeting The Next PTFA meeting via Zoom is on Wednesday 13th January at 7.30pm Parents/carers need to book via ptfa@chidham.w-sussex.sch.uk to be part of the meeting. (A link will be sent to you to join the meeting)

