

Weekly Newsletter

Empathy, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility

12 March 2021

Key Dates Next Half Term

* **Change to dates -**
Parents' Evenings for
Reception to Year 5
will now take place
26 / 27 / 28 April
(further information
will follow nearer the
time)

Term Dates

Close - Thursday 1 April

Open - Monday 12
April for STAFF ONLY
(INSET Day)

Open - Tuesday 13
April for PUPILS

EVERY day
counts
attendance matters

1st Reception	100%
1st Year 4	100%
3 rd Year 6	99.3%
4 th Year 2	99.2%
5 th Year 1	99.0%
6 th Year 5	98.8%
7 th Year 3	96.7%

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NOSE
DAY**
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We have all had a fabulous week at St Chad's. The academy has been buzzing once again with the sound of laughter, learning, chatter and play. The children have settled back in to the swing of daily school life seamlessly. We are all really happy to have our classes and school full and busy once more.

What have we been learning?

In **Reception** this week, we have been learning all about patterns, expanding on our work at the beginning of the year to look at AAB, ABB and ABC patterns. The children have done a fantastic job in recognising and creating their own patterns. We have enjoyed reading the story, 'Oliver's Vegetables' this week, we particularly liked having a go at planting our own potatoes!

Year 1 have been learning about weight and mass this week. They have been using a variety of non-standard units to measure the mass of an object. They had lots of fun doing this!

This week in **Year 2**, we have been writing our own versions of 'The Paper Bag Princess' from the perspective of the dragon. In Maths, we have been exploring 3D shapes and the number of faces and vertices each shape has.

In **Year 3**, we are continuing to delve deep into the Amazon Rainforest. We are learning all about the importance of the great Kapok trees, and what they give to the inhabitants of the rainforest. We've also been comparing our lives to the Kayapo Tribe of the Amazon, and finding where differences and similarities lie. We have also been thinking scientifically when it comes to plants, and learnt all about transpiration this week in Science!

For our Geography topic this half term, **Year 4** have been looking at 'European Migration', focussing on the Irish migration to Liverpool in the 1800s. The children have worked in pairs to research the impact it had on the city of Liverpool. From this, the children have created informative leaflets, detailing how the Irish helped build the docks, canals, and roads, how individuals aided hospitals and museums and how the Irish had an influence of the scouse accent. In our English lessons this week, the children have planned and started to write a letter to the Prime Minister about helping refugees. The children were inspired by our class book 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. They are looking forward to posting their letters to the Prime Minister early next week.

This week **Year 5** have been pattern spotting when multiplying fractions by integers in Maths.

It was great to welcome back **Year 6** this week and we have been impressed with their attitude and commitment upon their return. In Maths, we have continued to explore algebra and in English we have written some superb passages that look at the different viewpoints of characters in our book, 'Wonder'. In Science, we have been dispelling common misconceptions about evolution and studied the Galapagos finches - just like Charles Darwin.

Stars of the Week



Reception:

Olivia W
Alex T

Year 1:

Archie A
Stanley T

Year 2:

Anna T
Kai B

Year 3:

Sophie W
Jayden T

Year 4:

Owen P
Madeleine D

Year 5:

Logan H
Felicity B

Year 6:

Maisie B
Marley W

**Congratulations
to all our Stars
of the Week for
their great
achievement!**



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School Meals

Week commencing **15 March** will be **Week 2** in the school meal rota. Please remember to pay for school meals weekly in advance on My Child At School. If you cannot access the system, please inform Mrs Horner by email or phone the office.

Reporting Absence

When a child is absent, please telephone the office on 01484 712361 and choose option 1. Please leave your name, your child's name, class and reason for absence. Please do not advise of absence via the class email.

PE Kit

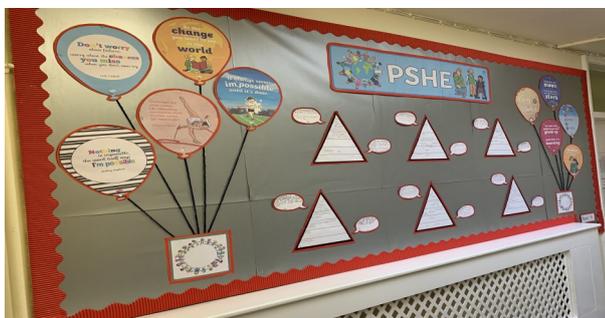
Children will need their PE kits in school every week. Please remind your child to bring it to school on Monday and take it home again on Friday for washing.

The Park

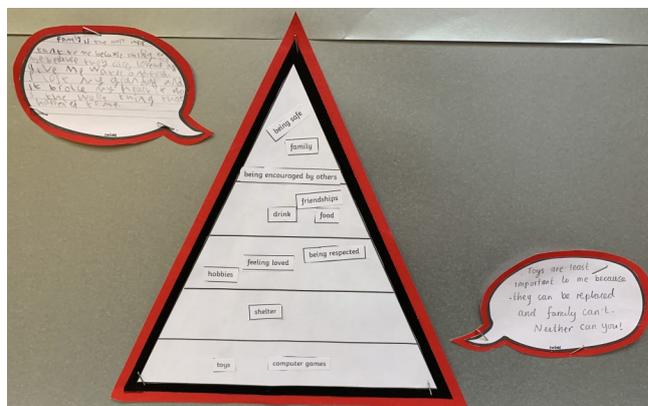
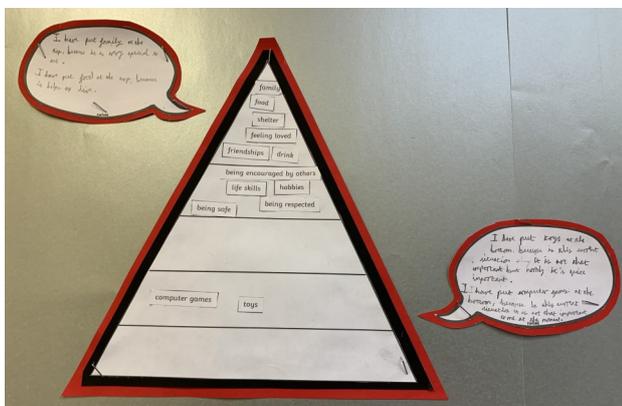
We have been made aware that the ground in the park is particularly muddy and slippery at the moment. We have had some early morning falls which have resulted in extremely wet and muddy clothes as children have come in to school. Please take care.

Displays in School

Year 4 have created a brilliant PSHE display about growth mindset.



They have written their own positive affirmations.



Red Nose Day - Friday 19 March 2021
 Unfortunately, we are unable to have red noses in school due to covid, however we will be holding a non-uniform day, with everyone encouraged to wear something red for a £1 donation on My Child At School (please do not send cash into school).

Book Donations

We are currently updating our library and were very pleased to receive a donation of books this week from one of our families. If anyone is having a clearout in the future, please consider donating any books that are in good condition. Please contact Mrs Horner in the office, who will arrange a drop-off time. We will then quarantine the books for the required period.