



Chuckery Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



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Attendance

Overall, our attendance this week was 94.9%
Our target this year is 96%.

The Class with the best attendance this week was: **Class 3**

Class 2	—	96.0%
Class 3	—	99.3%
Class 4	—	88.6%
Class 5	—	94.6%
Class 6	—	94.5%
Class 7	—	97.6%
Class 8	—	98.1%
Class 9	—	98.9%
Class 10	—	92.7%
Class 11	—	90.4%
Class 12	—	97.7%
Class 13	—	94.5%
Class 14	—	90.7%
Class 15	—	95.2%

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Reward Certificates - What Have You Done Today to Make You Feel Proud?

Praise assembly was held virtually this afternoon. The following children received Head teacher's awards for their efforts:

Class 4 : Aiza, Noor
Class 6 : Edward, Maya, Saffa
Class 7 : Eshan, Finley, Layla, Luca, Matthew, Melissa
Class 8 : Avani, Eesa, Nicolae, Reuben, Riley, Rosie, Sanda, Silas
Class 9 : Archi, Aroush, Ibrahim
Class 10 : Ashaz, Codey, Finley, Miami, Olivia
Class 11 : Giselle, Khadija, Rafay
Class 12 : Safa
Class 13 : Pasha, Saima, Sajad
Class 15 : Ayaan, Haziqa, Liliann, Safiya

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Late Collection

Recently there has been an increase in the number of children that are collected late from school at the end of each day. May we remind you that our Late Collection Policy states:

For Key Stage 1 and Key stage 2 the late collection policy will operate to the following

timetable from the end of the school day:

- School finishes at 3.15 pm
- Teachers will remain at the collection point until 3:25 pm
- At 3:25pm children will be taken to the office for collection
- **From 3:30pm a charge of £5 per 5 minutes (or part thereof) will be payable for each child remaining in the office.**

For Morning Nursery the late collection policy will operate to the following timetable from the end of the morning session:

- Nursery morning session finishes at 11:45am
- Teachers will remain at the collection point until 11:55 am
- At 11:55am children will be taken to the office for collection
- **From 12:00pm a charge of £5 per 5 minutes (or part thereof) will be payable for each child remaining in the office.**

For Afternoon Nursery the late collection policy will operate to the following timetable from the end of the afternoon session:

- Nursery afternoon session finishes at 3:15pm
- Teachers will remain at the collection point until 3:25 pm
- At 3:25pm children will be taken to the office for collection
- **From 3:30pm a charge of £5 per 5 minutes (or part thereof) will be payable for each child remaining in the office.**

Christmas Festive Favourites

Next week the canteen is hosting a Festive Favourite Menu! Please see copy on our website, in the canteen or from the school office!

Christmas Jumper Day

Today we supported the Christmas Jumper Day fund raising appeal as we have in previous years. This appeal collects funds for the "Save the Children" charity. We collected **£346.00**
Thank you so much for your support!

Chucky children are welcome to wear their jumpers again (without paying a donation) on Christmas Dinner Day (Wednesday 15th December) and the last day of term (Friday 17th December). More photos are on our website!

Christmas Songs

Great news!! We will be performing Christmas songs this year – although it will look a little different. We will be using the 2 sheds in the playgrounds and 2 year groups will perform each afternoon, at the end of the school day. Shed 1 is by the Tantarra Street entrance yellow gates, shed 2 is in the main playground.

The timetable will be:

	Shed 1 2:55pm – 3:10pm	Shed 2 3:10pm – 3:25pm
Monday 13th December	Afternoon Nursery	Year 3
Tuesday 14th December	Reception	Year 4
Wednesday 15th December	Year 1	Year 5
Thursday 16th December	Year 2	Year 6

School gates will open at 2:50pm that week and children can be collected once there performance has finished.

Hot chocolate and mince pies will be available for families of the children performing each day.

What's happening in School!

- In Reception and Nursery we have been busily practising and filming the Christmas Nativity ready to be shared with parents next week.
- This week year 1 have been historians learning about old and new toys and comparing what has changed over time. We have also made our own toys to help the lonely alien in the book Toys From Space.
- Year 2 have started a new mini adventure. We are writing a postcard, pretending to be Sunny the Meerkat who is looking for the perfect place to visit for Christmas. During our mini adventure we have started to identify continents on a map and started to learn key facts. Next week we will be looking at Oceans and looking at Human and Physical features of places Sunny might want to visit. In

Maths we have continued our work on 3D shapes and describing the Properties of the shapes. Please can children read at home every day and sign their reading record.

- Year 3 next week will be finishing their mini adventure by completing a retell explaining what life was like in the Stone Age
- Year 4 are going to be completing their food story and making some Christmassy gingerbread people in DT. In maths we will be focussing on our times tables and knowing the division facts too.
- Year 5 will be finishing their diary of Robert Scott and his exploration to the South Pole. We will also be finishing our shape learning journey in maths.
- Year 6 are doing an R.E topic about the Christmas story. We will be completing our shape work and then making a product in DT

Online Safety

Online safety is an important part of keeping children safe. All pupils are taught about how to stay safe online, but this will only be successful if we work together with parents and carers to help reinforce safe online behaviours at home.

As Christmas draws near, many children may be looking forward to receiving new electronic toys, devices and games, so we'd like to share some simple online safety tips to help parents and carers make safer choices and support their children online over the festive break. Do your research; look at all the pre-installed apps or tools, and check whether the device or game has an online component which allows them to connect with others online. Always check the PEGI age rating and descriptors on games before buying them for your child and carefully consider whether the content is appropriate for them. CEOP has some helpful advice about making decisions regarding what is 'appropriate' for your child: www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming-whats-appropriate-for-your-child/

Familiarise yourself with the privacy, safety and security tools on new devices; ensure you can teach your child how to make their accounts private and how to block and report other people online.
useful websites: - www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/NSPCC

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www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers

Covid 19 Symptoms

If your child has any of these 3 symptoms:

1. A high temperature: any new high temperature where your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure the temperature).
2. A new continuous cough: coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.
3. A loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste: a noticeable loss of smell or taste or things smell and taste different to normal.

You should:

- Book a PCR test for them
- Inform school
- Keep them at home, away from other people, for 10 days or until you receive a negative PCR test result for them

In addition, Walsall Public Health are asking that anyone with the following symptoms takes a PCR test as a precaution

- Shortness of breath or unexplained fatigue
- Diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting
- Headache that lasts a long time
- Myalgia (muscle aches or full body pains)
- Sore throat
- Blocked or runny nose

In these cases they do not need to isolate and can still come to school while you wait for the PCR test as long as they are well enough. However, if the test is positive you should:

- Inform school
- Keep them at home, away from other people, for 10 days or until you receive a negative test result for them

You can register for a PCR test at a local testing centre online at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus and tick the box that

says your local authority asked you to take a test. Or you can call 119 and say the same thing to book a test. You can also choose to have PCR test delivered to your home.

New Covid-19 Isolation rules

If you test positive for Covid-19 stay at home and self-isolate do not go to work, school, or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis. From 16th August 2021, if you are fully vaccinated or aged under 18 years and 6 months, you will not be required to self-isolate if you live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 unless you have symptoms.

Non-Covid Illnesses

Children will still get colds and other seasonal illnesses that have nothing to do with Covid-19. We ask that parents make sensible decisions about sending their children to school, keeping them at home when they are ill but ensuring they are in school whenever they can be. Please note, where attendance falls below 93% the Education Welfare Officer will become involved whether we have had reasons or not.

Questions, comments and complaints

Parents can email general questions to the school by using postbox@chuckery.walsall.sch.uk or questions for the head teacher to jpearce@chuckery.walsall.sch.uk Our complaints Policy is on the school website. It can be found at <https://www.chuckeryprimary.com/charging-and-complaint-policies/>

Important Dates

Mondat 13th – Thursday 16th December-

Christmas songs in the playground

Wednesday 15th December – Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 17th December – Autumn Term ends

Tue 4th January – School re-opens to pupils