

# Chuckery Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter



Friday 4th February 2022 - Issue 20

### Attendance

Overall, our attendance this week was 94.4%  
Our target this year is 96%.

The Class with the best attendance this week was: **Class 8 and 13**

Class 2	–	91.0%
Class 3	–	93.9%
Class 4	–	95.8%
Class 5	–	90.0%
Class 6	–	93.8%
Class 7	–	93.1%
Class 8	–	99.3%
Class 9	–	88.9%
Class 10	–	93.0%
Class 11	–	94.3%
Class 12	–	97.3%
Class 13	–	99.3%
Class 14	–	98.0%
Class 15	–	94.1%

### 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 6 : Khadijah, Liam, Noorulmustafa**

**Class 7 : Ahmed, Aleezah, Matthew, Melissa, Rumaan, Ruqayyah, Tavleen**

**Class 9 : Amelia**

**Class 10 : Bentley, Destiny, Finley, Husnain, Leah, Mikaeel, Oliver**

**Class 11 : Deenah, Giselle, Haseeb, Khadija, Millar, Riley**

**Class 13 : Bozenka, Charles, Isabelle**

**Class 14 : Jermani**

**Class 15 : Ayaan, Hawa, Kashifa, Liliann, Lily, Lola, Lucie, Sophia, Stephanie**

### News

#### Half Term & Training Day

The next half term holiday is from 21<sup>st</sup> February to 25<sup>th</sup> February. Therefore, the last day in school will be Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

School will be closed on **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February** due to a staff training day so children will return on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March**.

### Mufti Day

Friday 18th February is the last day of this half term and will also be a non-uniform (MUFTI) day. Children can wear their own clothes but should bring in £1 to add to our school fund which supports trips, Christmas presents, pantomime performances etc.

### Parent and Toddler Group

We have started our Parent and Toddler group on Tuesdays.

The session is for pre-school age children and their parents. Each session will be in our Infant Hall and will run from 10am until 11:30am.

This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and some of our staff.

Please speak to Mrs Jones for further information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### Walsall College

Walsall College is currently offering a number of FREE training courses with a guaranteed job interview for anyone who is unemployed, claiming benefits or employed with an income lower than £18,135 per annum.

It's never been easier to get a job in a new sector! These free training courses allow participants to start a career in a completely new sector in just a few weeks! As long as the participants are motivated and willing to learn, they have a very high chance of securing employment, following the guaranteed interview with the employer! These courses take place at either the Hawbush Campus in Leamore or at our Cannock Campus. As well as these three training courses above, they also have a number of other great free courses with employers for roles in a wide range of sectors including West Midlands Metro, Grosvenor Casinos, Construction College Midlands and many others! For anyone interested in these FREE training courses, or would like more information, feel free to contact [ashraft@walsallcollege.ac.uk](mailto:ashraft@walsallcollege.ac.uk) or 01922 651123.

### What's happening in School!

- In Nursery the children have been thinking about positional language words and have been describing where things are around the classroom during their snow and ice play.
- Reception children have been looking at the story of Easter and making

comparisons between being a Muslim and being a Christian.

- Year 1 have continued learning more about animals, including different groups of animals based on their features and what they eat. This have given us lots of information to include in our amazing animal explorers journal.'
- Year 2 This week we have had a science week where we have learnt all about animals including humans. We have learnt about what animals need to survive, how we know they're alive, what they need as they change and grow and life-cycles. We have also learnt about how we can stay healthy. In maths, we have been focusing on multiplication. We have learnt how to use the grouping methods, use arrays and use repeated addition to help us calculate multiplication number sentences. We have also learnt that multiplication is commutative! We have also started to understand division and we will be continuing this next week. In PE, we have been practising throwing, catching and kicking. We have been trying to do this with lots of control and then apply this to different games.
- Year 3 are finding out about rock and fossil formation
- Year 4 will be continuing to learn more about different materials to make our dream jars in science and we will be continuing our writing linked to the BFG. In maths, we will be continuing to work with fractions and decimals.
- Year 5 will be continuing with their narrative poem of The highwayman and we will be continuing our work on fractions. We will also be carrying on with our work with the artists!
- Year 6 have been looking at the way seeds are dispersed. We have looked through the ways in which seeds can travel to reproduce. We have also been continuing to look at fractions and applying our knowledge to problems. In guided reading, we have been looking at the story of Rob and Simon, who are stepbrothers. Finally, in this week's PSHE, we are looking at how we can best cope with change and what support there is out there for them.

### **Safer Internet Day!**

This week the children have taken part in assemblies about being safe on the internet.

There are lots of tips and advice for parents on the school website.

Next week it is Children's Mental Health Week. The children will take part in an assembly from Lindsey Hayes, our Education Mental Health Practitioner. They will also take part in activities throughout the week so please have a conversation with your child about what they have learnt. The assembly and advice for parents will also be on the school website.

### **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
- Follow the testing guidance below

You can register for a PCR test at a local testing centre online at [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) and tick the box that

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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. 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:postbox@chuckery.walsall.sch.uk) or questions for the head teacher to [jpearce@chuckery.walsall.sch.uk](mailto: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**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb – Break up for half term**  
**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Staff Training Day**  
**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – School re-opens to pupils**