

Chuckery Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



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Attendance

Each week we offer a good attendance prize of £5!

To be eligible to win an attendance prize, children must have 100% attendance for the **last 4 weeks** and their overall attendance for the year cannot be less than 95%

The winner for the good attendance prize last week was XXX Well done!

Overall, our attendance this week was **94.5%**
Our target this year is 96%.

The Class with the best attendance this week was: **Class 12**

Class 2	–	90.8%
Class 3	–	96.7%
Class 4	–	88.9%
Class 5	–	86.2%
Class 6	–	97.1%
Class 7	–	97.3%
Class 8	–	96.8%
Class 9	–	96.4%
Class 10	–	95.8%
Class 11	–	95.1%
Class 12	–	99.1%
Class 13	–	96.3%
Class 14	–	92.9%
Class 15	–	94.2%

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

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

Class 4: Noor, Sumayyah

Class 10: Ali Akbar, Eduard-Andrei, Bentley

Class 11: Zeeshan, Noor

Class 12: Hibbah, Jan, Inayah, Alishba

Class 15: Benyameen

Holiday/Leave Requests

We have received a lot of holiday and leave of absence requests during the past few weeks.

None of them have been authorised because children are **not** permitted to take holidays (including visits to see family members) in term time. It is a legal requirement that children attend school. Schools cannot agree to any applications for holidays or leave of absence unless there are very specific circumstances, and they must be agreed in advance.

Fines will be issued by the local authority of £60 per parent per child if you take your child out of school without permission. This increases to £120 per parent if the fine is not paid within 28 days.

Start of the school day

As you are aware we have now changed the time the gates are locked each morning (although the time school starts, 8:45am, has not changed). This is to ensure we are meeting the Government directive on the length of the school day.

We continue to allow a 10-minute grace period at the start of the day. **However, we close the school doors and lock the gates at 8:55am.** Families arriving after 8:55am will need to come through the main entrance and will be marked as late. We are unable to allow children onto the playground after 8:55am as the doors to the classrooms will be closed and lessons will have already started

Keeping Our Children Safe

Shoes, Hats, Water and Sun Cream

With summer approaching please make sure:

- Your child continues to wear their school shoes to school. Trainers or open sandals should not be worn.
- Your child has a hat to wear during playtimes and dinner times on sunny days
- You put sun cream on your child before they come to school on sunny days
- They have a bottle of water to drink during the day. (The bottle should only contain water and can be refilled during the day as needed.

Early years

Will have their sports day at school on **Thursday 7th July**. Nursery AM and Class 2 will have theirs at 9.30am and Nursery PM and Class 3 will have theirs at 2.45pm. Families are very welcome to come to school to support your child.

Attendance

As of 4th April we will be taking a more serious approach around our school attendance in guidance with the **National Attendance Guidelines**. The process will be as follows:

- You will receive a first warning letter if your child's attendance falls below 93%
- Second warning letter if attendance continues to fall to 91% and below
- First parent meeting will take place when your child's attendance falls to 92%
- Second parent meeting and home visit will take place for any child who's attendance falls to 90% or below
- If concerns continue and attendance does not improve you will be referred to the Welfare Officer who will take
- Parents/Carers to attendance panel and start legal action.
- All persistent late children will also be monitored and parent meetings will be arranged.
- If your child is going to be absent from school please call the school office to report their absence by 8.30am on 01922 449104 if we have not heard from you by 8.55am we will start to call all contact numbers that you have provided in order to gain an explanation of the absence. If we still have not been able to ascertain where your child is then we may make a home visit.

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/>

Appointments

We are having lots of requests to take children out of school for appointments during the school day. Dental appointments and optician appointments should be made during the school holidays where possible unless they are emergency appointments. If you have hospital appointments or GP appointment letters or mobile messages they should be shown to the school office in advance of the appointment. Please do not tell the staff on the school doors all appointments should come through the school office so they are logged on the school system. Thank you

Important Date

Friday 22nd July – Break up for the summer holiday

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