



3rd November 2023

Issue 6



SEND HEADLINE

This week at Cheadle Heath

Happy Friday to you all! I cannot believe we are already half way through the first half-term of the new academic year so welcome back to what will be another busy half term. This wet but wonderful week has also flown by; and what a week we have had. Our Local Authority School Improvement Adviser visited on Tuesday was very impressed with the start children have made. She commented on how well the children behaved throughout the whole school, how engaged they were in their learning and we could see some great examples of learning outcomes in their books. It was great to welcome EYFS parents to Stay & Play on Tuesday and we look forward to launching 'Stay & Learn with Me' maths session week beginning 21st November. 'Stay & Learn with Me' sessions were huge success last year as parents & carers joined their children to take part in a maths lesson. Timings for your child's class will be on their own dojo page.

New Starters 2024

We hosted a guided tour of the school for prospective families looking to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024 yesterday and it was wonderful showing prospective families round our calm, purposeful learning environment. At Cheadle Heath Primary we believe in creating the foundations on which children can build their futures. A love for learning starts early and our immersive approach captures this and enables our children to grow into confident, independent, successful and happy individuals. Our bespoke curriculum equips children with the knowledge, understanding and skills they will need as they continue their journey through education. We place great emphasis on the development of children's Personal, Social and Wellbeing and firmly believe that these are fundamental in enabling them to achieve success in all aspects of their future lives in our rapidly changing world. Our creative and stimulating learning environment encourages all pupils to aspire, believe, achieve. We are a happy, vibrant and successful school in the heart of the community so if you know anyone with pre-school children please spread the word and encourage them to come to our open days, the next of which is Monday 20th November 2023. The closing date for Reception applications is 15th January 2024 and 31st March 2024 for Nursery. Spread the #teamCHPS word!

Sunset Club Reminder

Due to the popularity of Sunset Club, booking is essential. If children attend Sunset Club without prior booking then we are understaffed and do not have sufficient food provisions. We plan our staffing ratios, which are dependent on the children's ages, in advance to ensure the safety of the children. If you are using Sunset Club it is essential that you book for each week by the Friday deadline of 1pm. The 6pm bookings are usually full so if you need 6pm please book early. Pre booking is for the safety and enjoyment of our children as we are proud of the high quality provision we have developed and do not want to compromise this. Thank you for your understanding.

Communication Systems ...

Communication is key in securing an effective working partnership but we know that it can be very confusing at times so turn over to see our communication & office systems.

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Christmas Fair Countdown

As winter draws near and the skies turn grey, let's get some colour into our days! The Friends of Cheadle Heath Primary School will be running a Rainbow Raffle as part of the Christmas Fair this year. To help in creating our colourful hampers, we are asking for donations of colourful items. All pupils are invited to wear colourful clothes to school on Friday 10th November, as we start our festive season with some brightness and cheer. If you feel able to, please send pupils in with a colourful donation on the day, which matches your child's year group colour (see picture for ideas). New or preloved items in good condition are both equally welcome as donations. Thank you!

<p>Friends of Cheadle Heath Primary School RAINBOW RAFFLE</p> <p>All pupils are invited to wear colourful clothes to school on Friday 10th November.</p> <p>Raffle hamper items in the following colours are much appreciated if you are able to donate.</p> <p>Year Group - Colour</p> <p>EYFS - Red Year 1 - Orange Year 2 - Yellow Year 3 - Green Year 4 - Blue Year 5 - Purple Year 6 - Pink</p>	<p>EYFS - RED</p> 
<p>YEAR 1 - ORANGE</p> 	<p>YEAR 2 - YELLOW</p> 
<p>YEAR 3 - GREEN</p> 	<p>YEAR 4 - BLUE</p> 
<p>YEAR 5 - PURPLE</p> 	<p>YEAR 6 - PINK</p> 

Punctuality Reminder

Our main gates close at 8.50am. Any children arriving after this time must be brought to the office to sign in. Doors to classrooms open at 8.40am where children begin their Do Now task to help them settle ready for the day ahead. It can be really unsettling for children when they arrive later than their peers so please make every effort to get them to school on time.

Attendance Reminder

As previously mentioned, we automatically send out letters to parents and carers if children aren't able to attend school and their attendance is declining, even if the absence is authorised by school. Monitoring attendance is essential for us to comply with the latest government stipulations. We understand that attendance letters may cause anxiety so please do come and speak to us if you need to understand this better so that we can support you with your child's attendance.

2024 - 25 Term Dates

The 2024 - 25 calendar is available on the website now and term dates are indicated on the back page of each newsletter. There are lots of up and coming new dates too so please take a peek.

Parking near school

As always, we ask that you respect our neighbours on Heathside Road and other neighbouring roads. Please park thoughtfully without blocking driveways and please ensure that there are clear routes down Heathside for vehicles to pass by. If you have any accessibility issues, which make it difficult for you to access the school site, please contact us in confidence so that we can make arrangements for your visit to school.

The Big Ambition Survey



The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched The Big Ambition, a national survey of children and young people across England aged 0 to 18 years. The survey aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important and take their views (privately) to the government in the lead up to the next General Election. The survey can be completed [here](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/the-big-ambition) and is open until Friday 15 December. Parents and other adults can complete the survey on behalf of children aged 0 to 5 years to ensure the voices from early years settings are heard.

Have a great weekend & stay safe near fireworks,

Christine Meekley & the staff at #teamCHPS







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School Communications & Office Systems

Confused about the different ways we communicate to parents? See the list below for clarification:

	<p>School Spider is our home – school correspondence system. Our school website contains lots of useful information and forms.</p> <p>Under 'Parent Information' you will find information about admissions as well as 'Meet the Staff'. Under the School Office tab you will find Term Dates, Leave of Absence Form, school lunch information and menus and school uniform details.</p> <p>In addition to the website, you can also download the 'School Spider' app (select Cheadle Heath Primary School) to give you quick access to the newsletters, school calendar and parent login which we use for Parents Evenings and surveys.</p> <p>As a cashless school, all of our payments for trips, events and booking Sunrise & Sunset club are made on School Spider under Bookings and Payments.</p>	 <p>If you would like to contact us via email, we have a number of email addresses. For same day responses always use the admin email address. The key stage addresses are for non-urgent emails and homework.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Meekley (Headteacher): headteacher@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Mrs. Vallance (Deputy Head & SENCO): tracey.vallance@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Mrs Topping (School Business Manager): finance@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • School Office: admin@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Sunrise & Sunset Club: sunrise@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk sunset@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Miss Johnston (EYFS / KS1 Phase Leader): louise.johnston@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk • Mrs Harrison-Watkins (KS2 Phase Leader): melissa.harrison@cheadleheathprimary.co.uk
	<p>Our school meals are provided by Dolce. School Grid is their online ordering and payment website which enables you to pre-order your child's meals in advance and arrange payment directly to Dolce where necessary. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 benefit from Universal Free School meals, so please take advantage of this by encouraging your child to try our school meals service.</p>	 <p>Our Reception and Nursery Classes use the Portfolio section of Dojo as an Online Journal to add observations and photographs of your child for you to view from home. Parents are also encouraged to add details of special moments or activities linked to the curriculum.</p>

Our Socials ...



Did you know you can follow us on Facebook and Instagram? These are both active social media sites so please do like and share our posts to boost the search and promote the school. This is the image you are looking for which is a page linked to the main profile:



We do have a school X account (previously Twitter) but this is not used as much as our Facebook and Instagram pages and will be soon phased out, although school dog Tilly does have her own X account @tales_tilly ... maybe she needs an Insta!

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Key Dates for Autumn Term 2023: Monday 4th September - Friday 22nd December

Thursday 9 th November	D – I – S – C – O Time
Friday 10 th November	Big Remembrance Day led by Miss Johnston Christmas Fair Countdown: Colourful own clothes: To bring a colourful item for the rainbow raffle – see information above
W/b Monday 13 th November	Anti-Bullying Week led by Mrs Murphy
Tuesday 14 th November	Y6 Turing Class to visit Cheadle Mosque
Thursday 16 th November	Y6 Farah Class to visit Cheadle Mosque
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need Christmas Fair Countdown: Silly socks and/or crazy hair. To bring: a bottle for the adult tombola (from bubble bath to festive fizz - all bottles are welcome) Y4 Netball Skills Tournament at Cheadle Heath Primary Y6 football team to Cheadle Hulme School
Monday 20 th November	Theme #2 launch this week in each year group. Curriculum newsletters to follow. Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am
Tuesday 21 st November	Stay & Learn Maths with Me – times to be arranged by individual class teachers
Thursday 23 rd November	Stay & Learn Maths with Me – times to be arranged by individual class teachers
Friday 24 th November	Christmas Fair Countdown: Onesies/PJs/cosy clothes. To bring: unopened packet of sweets/chocolate (nut free)
Wednesday 29 th November	Y6 to Crucial Crew
Thursday 30 th November	CHPS Festive Day
Friday 1 st December	Christmas Fair Countdown: Christmas clothes (jumpers/t-shirts/dresses/shirts/socks-anything!) to bring: baked Christmassy goodies Christmas Tree Decorating Assembly Christmas Fair 3.30 – 5.30pm
Tuesday 5 th December	Front Row Christmas Concert (pm)
Thursday 7 th December	Prospective Parents 2024 Intake Open Morning @ 9.30am – 10.15am
Tuesday 12 th December	KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Nativity – 10.30am Reception Classes (Einstein & Nightingale) Nativity - 2pm Both Y5 classes to Stockport Academy to watch Frozen the Musical (pm)
Wednesday 13 th December	Reception Classes (Einstein & Nightingale) Nativity – 10.30am KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Nativity - 2pm Full Governing Board Meeting 2/6
Thursday 14 th December	EYFS and KS1 to Sale Waterside Theatre to watch The Snow Queen (am)
Friday 15 th December	CHPS sponsored Reindeer Run and Santa Dash
Monday 18 th December	UKS2 Christingle – 2pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Nursery Sing-A-Long-A-Christmas: songs & festive treats around the Christmas Tree – 11am KS2 (Y3 – 6) to Peter Pan Panto at Stockport Plaza (pm – late arrival back to school)
Thursday 21 st December	CHPS Gets Festive: Christmas Dinner & Christmas Party – wear your own party clothes
Friday 22 nd December	INSET 2 / 5 – Staff only in school

Christmas Holidays: Friday 22nd December – Friday 5th January 2024

Monday 8 th January 2024	Spring term 2024 begins. Gates open at 8.40am: on time, all day, every day
Tuesday 9 th January	EYFS Stay & Play – Reception 8.45 – 9.45am / Nursery 2.15pm – 3.15pm
Wednesday 10 th January	Stay & Read with Me: 8.45 – 9.15am UKS2 Dodgeball Competition at Stockport Academy
Thursday 11 th January	Stay & Read with Me: 8.45 – 9.15am
Friday 12 th January	Stay & Read with Me: 8.45 – 9.15am Y6 footballers @ Manchester City Football Academy Festival (TBC)
Monday 22 nd January	Y2 to Manchester Airport
Wednesday 31 st January	Full Governing Board Meeting 3/6
w/b Monday 5 th February	Stay & Learn Computing with Me – times to be arranged by individual class teachers
Tuesday 6 th February	Big Computing Day led by Mrs Mason-Singh
Thursday 8 th February	Y6 to Chester Zoo

Half Term Holidays: Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2024

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Term dates 2023 – 24

	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:
Autumn 1	Tuesday 5 th September 2023	Friday 20 th October 2023
Autumn 2	Monday 30 th October 2023	Thursday 21 st December 2023
Spring 1	Monday 8 th January 2024	Friday 9 th February 2024
Spring 2	Tuesday 20 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
Summer 1	Monday 15 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
Summer 2	Monday 10 th June 2024	Friday 26 th July 2024
INSET days Staff only in attendance	1 Monday 4th September 2023 2 Friday 22 nd December 2023 3 Monday 19 th February 2024 4 Monday 29 th July 2024 5 Tuesday 30 th July 2024	

Term dates 2024 – 25

	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:
Autumn 1	Tuesday 3 rd September 2024	Friday 18 th October 2024
Autumn 2	Monday 28 th October 2024	Thursday 19 th December 2024
Spring 1	Thursday 2 nd January 2025	Friday 14 th February 2025
Spring 2	Monday 24 th February 2025	Friday 11 th April 2025
Summer 1	Monday 28 th April 2025	Friday 23 rd May 2025
Summer 2	Monday 9 th June 2025	Friday 25 th July 2025
INSET days Staff only in attendance	1 Monday 2 nd September 2024 2 To be confirmed 3 To be confirmed 4 To be confirmed 5 To be confirmed	