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WELL DONE

Merry Christmas

This is the last Newsletter of the autumn term 2017. It has been a long term, which has been packed with many events and opportunities. This term has been busy with new opportunities including Y3 German lessons, KS2 Spanish, Y6 residential, school disco, new school council, Christmas Fair, Christmas shows, musical extravaganza, the panto visit, monthly EYFS Stay & Play and Christmas parties to name a few! Phew! No wonder we are shattered!

The children have performed to 'full houses' this Christmas and every show was so enjoyable. There is nothing quite like a Nativity to signal that Christmas is here. Foundation Stage and KS1 both held Christmas nativities which were very well received and we received many compliments about all the performances. KS2 presented their Christingle with thoughtfulness and solemnity and combined the meaning of Christmas with lots of festive songs. All our productions were amazing and certainly lived up to our hopes and expectations so a big WELL DONE to all the children who acted, danced and sang so well. They certainly showed everyone how talented and special the children at Cheadle Heath are. I am sure you will join me in thanking all the staff for making these memories so special for the children through their hard work producing the shows. This Christmas has been truly magical and Christmas has certainly arrived at Cheadle Heath!

So, we have come to the end of our first term and the time has flown! The children have settled really well into their new classes and become happy, confident learners. There are no homework tasks during the holiday period. Instead, support your child in other ways. Make sure they take part in family events, encourage them to relax and catch up on some reading at home, encourage them to send thank you notes - emails are fine, too! - as all these things will help their English skills of speaking and listening, reading and writing. Plenty of maths skills can be practised, too - planning some top TV watching and considering times and durations of programmes, working out what half price is when the sales start. Your child could even help with some cooking to use various measures!

As ever, we truly appreciate, and rely upon, the support from our parental community so, on behalf of the staff and Governors, I would like to thank you for your support. 2017 has been a great year and we are hoping that 2018 will have as many significant events to celebrate. We wish you a very happy Christmas and peaceful, healthy 2018. Whatever you do, make sure you have a happy and healthy Christmas break.

It's in the news!

[Reception classes should be reserved for the best teachers, says study](#)
[Primary league tables: Special needs pupils struggle with new tests](#)

[Autism at Christmas](#)

[Parents giving children alcohol too young, researchers say](#)

Cheadle Heath Primary School

A GOOD school where the "curriculum is outstanding" and "is exceptionally well enhanced." (Ofsted - July 2016) #teamchps, in the heart of the community.

Don't struggle at Christmas...

Don't be in crisis this Christmas; take a number, just in case ...

- Access and Crisis team – 0161 419 5678
- Stepping Hill Hospital – 483 1010
- NHS (non emergency) 111
- Domestic violence helpline Stockport- 0161 636 7525
- Samaritans Stockport - 0161 432 1221 or 116 123
- Emergency Social care (Children) 0161 217 6028
- Adult Social care – 0161 217 6029
- Citizens Advice weekdays 9am-5pm 0300 330 1153
- Child Sexual exploitation team Stockport (It's - 0161 856 3188
- Food Banks / Food donations :
 - Chelwood Adswold - 486 0043
 - Trussell Trust, Hazel Grove - 487 3370
 - Salvation Army, SK4 476 6539
 - Stockport Loaves & Fishes, The Olive Branch, 2c Castle St, Edgeley 07938 967063
- Stockport Suicide prevention- 116123
- PAPYRS - young suicide 01925 572 444
- TPA - 0161 474 1042
- SLAS - www.stockport.gov.uk/slas 0161 474 2101
 - Benefit helpline - 0345 608 8545
 - Universal Credit - 0800 328 9344
 - Housing / Homeless 217 6017

Attendance

Our whole school attendance from September to Friday 15th December is 96.65%, just below our 97% target. Help us to achieve our target by ensuring your child is in school on time, all day, every day! Poor punctuality means your child misses valuable learning time and that lessons are disrupted for other pupils so let's have a real focus on punctuality and attendance next term. Please make sure that children are in school by 08.55 every day and remember that doors open at 08.45 for response time. Attend today, achieve tomorrow.

AUTUMN TERM ATTENDANCE							
Sapphire YR	96.89 %	Pearl YR	95.79%	Jet Year 1	97.18%	Ruby Year 1	95.75 %
Topaz Year 2	96.45 %	Amber Year 2	97.48%	Amethyst Year 3	97.18%	Jade Year 4	94.60 %
Opal Year 4	96.26 %	Onyx Year 5	97.84%	Aquam'e Year 5	96.34%	Emerald Year 6	96.86 %



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!
Christine Meekley & the staff at CHPS

P.S. Save the date! We've already booked next year's panto to see the 10.30am showing of Sleeping Beauty at Stockport Plaza on 18th December 2018! This will be Y2 – Y6 only as we will take Reception and Year 1 to a shorter festive show as this year.

School Terms & Holidays

These calendar dates can also be found on our website [here](#).

Term dates 2017 – 18

	School starts on the morning of:	School finishes at the end of the day on:
Autumn 1	Tuesday 5 th September 2017	Thursday 19 th October 2017
Autumn 2	Monday 30 th October 2017	Tuesday 19 th December 2017 at 2pm
Spring 1	Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	Friday 16 th February 2018
Spring 2	Monday 26 th February 2018	Thursday 29 th March 2018 at 2pm
Summer 1	Monday 16 th April 2018	Friday 25 th May 2018
Summer 2	Monday 11 th June 2018	Friday 27 th July 2018 at 2pm
INSET days	1 Monday 4 th September 2017 2 Friday 20 th October 2017 3 Thursday 3 rd May 2018 4 Monday 30 th July 2018 5 Tuesday 31 st July 2018	

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Spring 1	Thursday 3 rd January 2019	Friday 15 th February 2019
Spring 2	Monday 25 th February 2019	Friday 5 th April 2019 at 2pm
Summer 1	Tuesday 23 rd April 2019	Friday 24 th May 2019
Summer 2	Monday 10 th June 2019	Tuesday 30 th July 2019 at 2pm
INSET days	1 Monday 3 rd September 2018 Remaining INSET days to be confirmed	