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Chandlers Ridge Academy



eNewsletter Thursday 24th March 2016



Happy Easter! We have had another egg- citing term with assemblies, many visits, sporting activities, a wonderful music evening and the fantastic Easter bonnet parade.

We wish Mrs Cobbold well as she leaves to have her baby. Congratulations to Miss Andrew who will be returning as Mrs Davies following her wedding at Easter. We return to school on Monday 11th April for the Summer Term.

L. Lidgard

Mrs Lidgard, Head Teacher

This week in school

Housepoints Winner of the Week!

At Chandlers Ridge we award house points for good work, effort, behaviour, and manners. This week's winners were Adventure

with 105 points. Well done! Runners up were:

- **Discovery** with 90 points
- Resolution with 84 points
- Endeavour with 60 points

Mrs Taylor's class won the most points with 83 in total.





Handwriting Awards

The following children received a certificate for beautiful handwriting during assembly this week:

Rec - Isacc McBride & Ellis Dawson

Y1 - Arham Jehangir & David Plowman

Y2 - Jack Marshall & Joel Pratt

Y3 - Madeline James & Katelyn Britton

Y4 - Georgia Clark & Charlie Berry

Y5 - There were

no handwriting awards in Y5 this week

due to Aztec Day Y6 - Yumna Ellidir

Easter Bonnet Parade



The school hall was a sea of colour and creativity today - thank you so much to the children and parents who took part in creating such wonderful Easter Bonnets!

School cooks Auriel & Julie had a very difficult job in choosing winners from each year group here they are pictured with their prizes. Well done!



Well done to Katie Lewis Y3 who won the school council's Name the Bunny competition - meet Mr Cottonbottom! School, Council raised £80 towards wet play activities. Thank you to all who took part:)

DB Primary

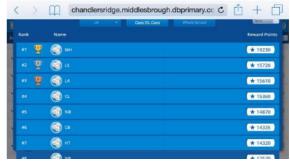


There's been some fantastic work this term on DB Primary. On Monday the top 10 winners for this term were announced. Well done to Mr Harkin's class, who were the winning class and well done to Evie Fysh (Y4) and Beth Findlay (Y6) who have earned the most points and will therefore have the trusted job of looking after

the DB Bears during the Easter holiday. The two excited bears, can't wait and are very excited to come back to school in the summer term to collect their very own Chandlers Ridge uniforms thanks to the Friends of Chandlers Ridge!







Y4 Britain through the decades.

During this term, the Y4s have enjoyed finding out all about Leisure and Entertainment in the 20th century. Today, they brought in some board games which they have really enjoyed playing with this afternoon - they had a great time, without any technology in sight!



Robotics and computing



On Tuesday seven Y6 children enjoyed a Robotics Day with one of the UK's leading Roboteers. They built their own vehicles before performing challenges with them. A great day was had by all:)

We are very excited to have bought some brand new robotics and computing equipment to help deliver more challenging computer science modules, including - BluBots, Learn and Go equipment, data loggers, flowol4, WeDo Lego and Lego Mindstorms EV3s. We've also bought in a subscription to Minecraft education - which we also hope to start to use very soon - watch this space!

Evening of Music

On Wednesday 23rd March we held our evening of music in the school hall. All the children who took part performed brilliantly and the event was enjoyed by all who attended. A collection for Zoe's Place at the event raised £55. Thank you to all who contributed.



Roman Assembly



Here's a picture from last week's Year 3 Roman Assembly, they worked extremely hard and produced a fantastic show - everyone is very proud of them!

100% attendance

Well done to 35 children throughout school who have 100% attendance since September. They will be bringing a letter of congratulations home.

Y5 Aztec Day



Year 5 had a wonderful Aztec Day on Wednesday - they made salsa and tacos, enjoyed Aztec dancing and created their own Death Masks! Their costumes were wonderful - thank you to parents and carers for joining in.

EYFS Water Aid

The children in Foundation Stage had a busy day on Tuesday launching their Water Aid appeal. In Nursery, the children built a pipe system to water the daffodils, they carried the water from the bottom of the hill to the top in small containers. Some children tried to carry the water on their heads which resulted in a little soaking! In Reception, the children investigated filtration, by trying to make muddy water clean. All Foundation Stage children were given a bottle of water, once they have drunk it, they are challenged with filling the bottles with small change and returning to school on Friday 22nd April. All monies raised will be set to Water Aid.





This week in sport

Hannah Redshaw and Toma Saha have qualified to represent the Cleveland Partnership team in swimming. They had to compete in two rounds in order to qualify. Well done!

Also Clodie Bainbridge is running in the Tees Valley cross country competition today. We will know how she has got on at the end of the day.

Keep our zig zags clear when dropping off and picking up children



It has come to my attention that children are still being dropped off on the zigzags.

I have spoken to the children and I ask you to stop putting our children in danger. The children's safety is paramount.

We are working with our ward councillors and the police to work on enforcing the parking restrictions around school; please don't let it get to this. Keep our zig zags clear.

Upcoming

Consultation on February Half Term dates in 2017

In February 2017 the Spring Half Term Holiday is different between our neighbouring local authority

areas.

This is affecting Chandlers Ridge as although we are in Middlesbrough Borough Council's



local authority area, many of our children have older siblings at Nunthorpe Academy and Stokesley School, which are in the Redcar & Cleveland and North Yorkshire local authorities.

As an Academy we are able to set our own holiday dates and so we would like to offer the choice to our staff and parents as to which holiday date we should set for February Half Term. The preferred option will be that with the greatest number of votes. The poll will

close 5pm Monday 11th April 2016. Have your say by clicking on the link below:

http://chandlersridge.org.uk/school-term-survey/

A number of parents have enquired as to when school starts back in September. We can confirm that the new academic year will be starting Friday September 2nd 2016.



Tour De Yorkshire - old bicycles needed!

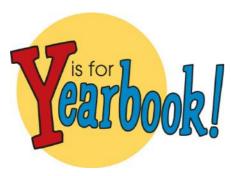
Chandlers Ridge are collecting old bicycles for painting in school with our police community support officers as part of our involvement with the TDY in Nunthorpe. If you have an old bicycle that you'd like to donate please hang on to it and we will advise the date of when the PCSOs are coming in to school. More TDY plans to follow!

Key Stage Tests

As you might know SATS are changing this year in their content. For Year 6 children, there will be tests in Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling and Mathematics. These will take place in the week of 9th May. It is vitally important that all year 6 children are in school for this week. We will be providing you with more information soon.

Year 2 will also be tested in Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling and Mathematics. These will take place towards the end of May. In Year 1 children will be tested in Phonics and this will take place in the week beginning 13th June. We will be providing more information for you about these soon.

News from our PTA



Class of 2016 Yearbook

We are delighted to be working on a yearbook for all children in Year 6. The yearbook will capture your child's time at Chandlers Ridge and will be a lovely keepsake for your family. Letters with logins have gone out to all Year 6's today.

How much will the yearbook cost?

The yearbook project is being supported by Friends of Chandlers Ridge, we first produced this in 2014 and it was very well received by the children and parents; it is now a feature of school life every year. Each yearbook

now a feature of school life every year. Each yearbook will be in full colour, over 50 pages long and in hardback - there will be profiles and photos of the children and teachers, space for London snaps and messages. Friends of Chandlers Ridge will contribute £10 to every yearbook, leaving just £5 for parents to pay.

When can I order a yearbook?

Yearbooks will be available to order via ParentPay in May.

Recent letters home

In case you missed them, here's information posted to our website recently that are still relevant:

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Dates for your Diary

A reminder of upcoming events in school...

- Monday 11th April 2016 start of the Summer Term
- Friday 6th May 2016 Class Photographs
 W/B Monday 9th May 2016 Y6 SATS Week
- W/B Monday 16th May 2016 Y2 SATS Week
 W/B Monday 13th June 2016 Y1 Phonics Testing
- Wednesday 22nd June Friday 24th June 2016 Year 6 Visit to London.



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