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Headteacher Update

School is busy, as always, and this half-term is often the hardest one as the dark nights creep in and tiredness builds. I am very proud, like you, of the way your children are coping in school as the last eighteen months have disrupted your child's education and routines.

I personally want to thank you all for your understanding and support as we move through this term as we are all feeling the pressure in these difficult months. If you need any support for your family, please speak to the members of staff on the driveway or contact office@chestertonprimary.org.uk

We are planning trips, visits and rewards as we move through the term so your children are getting the best opportunities from school.

Illness

We have had the usual seasonal colds, coughs and sickness bugs doing their rounds over the last few weeks and your children have been brilliant in fighting through the bugs and germs. Well done to you all for supporting good attendance.

Covid

We are now living with Covid as a continuous presence in our lives and we are following the government guidance set out for schools. If there are concerns of any kind, the office staff will contact you individually to let you know. The office will always support you in your decision making and guide you through the process of your child's illness if you need it. We have in place every measure to keep our school safe and the staff lateral flow test throughout the week and daily if they need to if we have any health concerns. I am sure you all know me well enough to know that I will put in place every measure to keep our school safe but also to keep it open and any advice given to get LFT or PCR is given to ensure everyone is kept safe and not to alarm you.

The guidance is:

- your nursery, school or college no longer trace close contacts - close contacts will be identified via NHS Test and Trace
- children and young people aged under 18 years 6 months who usually attend school, and have been identified as a close contact are no longer required to self-isolate

This means that schools don't track and trace, however, we remain vigilant and contact you if we have any concerns.



Parent Meetings

The staff and I have been happy to discuss your child's progress since September and, if you have not been into school yet, please contact the office to arrange an appointment. It has been a really positive process and an opportunity for you to have quality time with the staff. We always listen, try to change things that don't work and strive to improve so your voice is important to us!

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School Terms and Holiday Dates 2021 / 2022

Autumn Term 2021

Children finish on Thursday 16th December
Children return on Tuesday 4th January

Spring Term 2022

Term starts:	Tuesday 4 th January – Friday 18 th February
Holiday	Monday 21 st February – Friday 25 th February
Training Day	Monday 28 th February
Pupils	Tuesday 1 st March - Friday 8 th April
Holiday	Monday 11 th April – Friday 22 nd April
Easter Sunday	Sunday 17 th April

Summer Term 2022

Staff & Pupils	Monday 25 th April – Friday 27 th May
Bank holiday	Monday 2 nd May
Holiday	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June
Pupils	Monday 6 th June – Wednesday 20 th July
Training Day	Thursday 21 st July

Calendar Events

All trips will appear on ParentPay with a payment plan if needed. We keep costs as low as possible and the more expensive visits are subsidised to reduce costs as far as possible.

If you need any help, please contact the school office and they will assist you. Further information will follow on all events and activities – dates and times etc.

- 🌀 25th November: Year 3 Museum Visit Liverpool
- 🌀 25th November: Presentation Evening for all Year 6 Parents - Hall 3.15pm
- 🌀 2nd December: Year 4 Roman Chester
- 🌀 9th December: Christmas Drama Workshop in school KS1 & KS2
- 🌀 10th December: Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Buffet Alice Charity Donations
- 🌀 13th December: 2pm and 5pm KS1 Performance
- 🌀 14th December: 9am EYFS Performance
- 🌀 14th December: Carol Concert 5.30pm
- 🌀 14th December: Year 6 Heart Start Lesson
- 🌀 15th December: Christmas Discos (ticket information to follow)
- 🌀 16th December: Christmas Party Day – non-uniform and school closes

Take care and have a wonderful weekend

Our staff team are committed to helping your children in every way they can and I feel proud to lead such a dedicated team of professionals and your amazing children.

Mrs S Formosa

