



Chantry Community Academy



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Dear Parent/Carer,

I can't believe we are at the start of the Summer term. Hopefully we will get some lovely weather this term and we can get the children out more into the garden and on the field.

The last term was a busy one once again with many events, visits and visitors. It was great seeing many parents come forward to support with trips and we are always so grateful for this additional help. It is lovely seeing the children excited to go out whether on a walk around the local area, a visit out on the minibuses or off on a train to London.

There was such a good response to our parent evening sessions last term and there was roughly half and half in terms of face to face and telephone calls. Most teachers have reported a 100% turnout for these consultations which is the highest ever. Again, thank you so much for your support. We have had some lovely feedback about the parent curriculum sessions where children showcase and show their learning. The last one was Year 5 who took great delight in showing boats, the Greek salads they made and their beautiful Greek pottery.

PE Days For Term 5

Year group	PE day
Year 1	Thursday
Year 2	Tuesday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Tuesday *Swimming
Year 5	Monday
Year 6	Monday

Please can I remind parents that PE kit should be plain black jogging bottoms or shorts, T shirt in house team colour, plain red school sweatshirt or cardigan and plimsolls or training shoes.



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A gentle reminder about the importance of medical appointments being taken outside of school hours. If children are taken out of school, they miss so much learning and different opportunities. Holidays as you are aware will never be authorised. Please remember to always report daily if your child will be absent due to sickness. An absence request form will need to be completed for any appointments or planned absences for authorisation review. I would like to say thank you to those parents who are making improvements in getting children to school and improving attendance. Ask your children about Skillsy The Squirrel!

It has been brought to my attention that there are some changes happening on the Ordnance Road car park across from the school. Please be careful with drop offs and collection there. I am not sure what the rules are in terms of parking and so please ensure you familiarise yourself with the expectations. I have heard that it will be ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition).

I have a couple of staffing updates to share with you. We said goodbye at the end of term to Mr Wadsworth our SENCO. We wish him all the very best in his new role and thank him for his time at Chantry. At the end of April, we say goodbye to Mrs Ahmeti as she starts her maternity leave. We wish her all the very best for the birth of her first child and thank her for everything she has done to support our children. Hopefully there won't be too many sleepless nights! Mrs Ghag will take over Inkpen Class until the end of the academic year and Mrs Tumber will take sole charge of Rowling Class until the end of the academic year. I feel it is very important to have our own 'in house' familiar staff to take the children through the Summer Term which is usually the busiest. Additionally, we have a new office manager called Mrs McCarthy and a new admissions lead called Mrs Wardle.

It would be great to get more parents involved with school and some ideas include fundraising, volunteering or a parent forum group. If this interest you, please email the school office so that we can move forward with these.

Thank you to all of you for your continued support. I hope you all had a lovely Spring break. Happy Eid to those celebrating today.

Kind regards,

Mrs Duncan

