

Friday 8th March 2019

World Book Day and an RSE Update



It was wonderful this week to see all of the children dressed up for World Book Day and we thank you all for the kind book donations for our school library. The children will very much enjoy reading all of their new books. We also had an extremely successful book fair and you helped to raise £600 for new guided reading books for school so once again thank you all for your support. We have an author visiting school on Monday so hopefully the children will come home and tell you all about it!

We would also like to say thank you for all of the positive comments during our Parents' Evenings. We had an excellent turn out and many of you came to say how pleased you were with your child's learning and progress which is fantastic. If you missed your appointment please do approach your child's class teacher and they will endeavour to meet with you at a mutually convenient time.

This week we have also had some questions regarding the Department for Education's draft guidance for Relationships Education which is also known as Relationships and Sex Education (or RSE). The Government have made Relationships Education compulsory in all primary schools from September 2020 and we just wanted to reassure you about the process that we will take at Chad Vale in introducing some of the changes recommended. The draft guidance makes it very clear that the guiding principles of RSE should be that it is age appropriate and be taught both sensitively and inclusively. That the focus in primary school should be on teaching the characteristics of positive and healthy relationships, with particular reference to friendships, family relationships, and relationships with other peers and adults. It also states that RSE curriculum content should '*support the wider work of schools in helping to foster pupil wellbeing and develop resilience and virtues that we know are fundamental to pupils being happy, successful and productive members of society.*' As you can see there is nothing there that we don't already teach at Chad Vale in a number of different curriculum areas but in order to ensure we are meeting the guidance at Chad Vale we will be providing staff with some further training over the coming year and we have purchased some new resources to aid teachers in lesson delivery. We will also be working closely with Parents and Governors as part of the process and over the coming months will share our updated RSE policy which will clearly state what will be taught, and when. We will be providing opportunities to attend workshops where you will be given time to look at the resources teachers will be using and discuss curriculum content. This will also enable you to ask any questions and gain further insight into exactly what will be covered. We will also discuss those elements of the curriculum which are compulsory and those which are not so please look out for these on the newsletter! I do hope that this alleviates some of the worries that parents may have regarding how we will teach RSE at Chad Vale but please do come and speak to us directly if you have any further questions or queries.

RECEPTION APPEAL – OLD TOYS NEEDED!

Due to a number of items being broken over the past few years, if you have any old toys your child does not play with anymore, reception would be grateful for any donations of:

- Small cars
- Planes
- Helicopters
- Hair dressing kits
- Hospital toys / kits
- Role-play costumes
- Superhero toys
- Small dolls



Whilst we would like to accept donations of other toys, unfortunately we do not have the space for storage.



YOUNG ARTISTS URGED TO PICTURE SPECIAL MOMENTS IN ART COMPETITION

Children across **Birmingham** and the **West Midlands** are being offered the chance to win art materials in a competition to picture their favourite moment. The winners and runners-up will also see their artwork featured in a special month-long exhibition at a popular **Birmingham** café. Organised by **John Taylor Hospice** in partnership with **Oikos Café** on **Erdington High Street**, the **Moments that Matter** competition is open to children aged 11 or under. Youngsters are being urged to draw, paint or colour special moments as part of the hospice's work to encourage families to discuss what matters to them. Closing date for the competition is Wednesday 24th April. I have also attached an Entry form to this week's newsletter email. They are also downloadable from the hospice website and are also available at **Oikos Café**, **John Taylor Hospice** charity shops and the hospice reception. For more information and full terms and conditions see johntaylorhospice.org.uk



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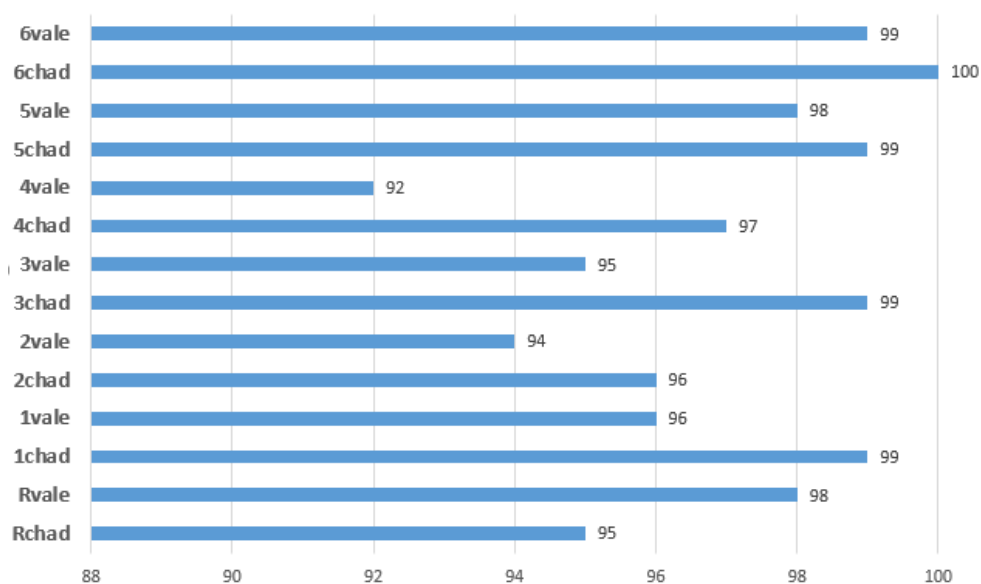
6C 100% AGAIN!

6V, 5C, 3C, 1C 99%

**IMPROVEMENT
REQUIRED**

RC, 2V, 3V, 4V

Attendance % week beginning 04.03.19



Whole School Attendance YEAR TO DATE 96.9%

Whole School Attendance THIS WEEK 97%



The BIG Sing

School Choirs in Concert

featuring Chad Vale Primary School

Tuesday 26th March, 7pm

Edgbaston High School, Westbourne Road, Edgbaston,
Birmingham, B15 3TS

Adults: £6

Concessions: £4

(Under 16's & Over 60's)

Tickets available
from your school

The **BIG Sing**

www.big-sing.com



**YOUR LEARNING
JOURNEY STARTS
HERE...**

**FOR PUPILS
AGED 4-18**

**OPEN DAY
SAT 9TH
MARCH**

**10AM -
12PM**



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Diary Dates 2018-19: please also check the online diary on our website

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	11th Mar	All day	Author visit: John Dougherty in school
Monday	11th Mar	All Week	British Science Week
Tuesday	12th Mar	am	Y5 to visit mosque
Friday	15th Mar	All day	Red Nose Day –wear your own clothes (something red) and donate to Comic Relief
Monday	18th Mar	9-12	3V to Ikon Gallery
Wednesday	20th Mar	All day	Y2 trip to Cadbury World (TBC)
Tuesday	26th Mar	All day	Y6 trip to Galleries of Justice
Tuesday	26th Mar	7pm	The Big Sing Soul Project performance at Edgbaston High School for Girls (Y3, Y4 and Y5 children arrive for 5:30pm. Performance at 7pm)
Monday	1st April	All week	Living Eggs Project in school
Monday	1st April	9-11.30am	Reception to visit church (TBC)
Monday	1st April	pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Friday	5th April	am	Generation Ladywood Rehearsal
Friday	5th April	3-5pm	Easter Disco
Wednesday	10th April	All day	Year 5 trip to Cadbury World
Thursday	11th April	2.45-3.15pm	School Choir Performance in school hall
Friday	12th April	9-11	Y4 Dancing Classrooms Showcase
Friday	12th April	2-2.30pm	KS1 Spring Assembly
Friday	12th April	2.30-3.00pm	KS2 Spring Assembly
Friday	12th April	3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR EASTER
Monday	29th April	All day	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday	30th April	8.45am	Back to school
Monday	6th May	All day	BANK HOLIDAY– SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday	13th May	All week	SATS week/assessment week
Friday	24th May	3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
Monday	3rd June	8.45am	Back to school
Thurs	6th June	All day	Y5 to Sarehole Mill (TBC)
Thursday	6th June	All day	Book Bus in School (more information coming)
Monday	10th June	All week	Art Week
Monday	10th June	All week	Y1 Phonics Check/Y2 Phonic Re-check week
Thursday	13th June	All day	Class Photos Day
Thursday	4th July	All day	Y4 trip to Severn Valley Railway
Friday	12th July	All day	Spanish Day
Friday	19th July	3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR SUMMER
Monday	2nd Sep	All day	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday	3rd Sep	8.45am	Back to school



Wear something RED to school on Friday 15th March and donate your spare change to Comic Relief.

You can also wear your red nose to school!



Next week's RRSA focus will be: Article 36—Governments must protect children from all other forms of bad treatment. We have the right to be protected from things that might harm us

