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Our School Development Priorities for the coming year

On Monday the full governing body met to discuss and agree our proposed School Development Plan for the coming year. Following our Ofsted inspection in April/May which confirmed that Chad Vale remains a 'good school', we have looked carefully at their recommendations, and alongside our own school priorities, have created a much shorter and concise plan for further improvement. We gave some details on the likely targets for improvement in September, but can now confirm them, along with a little more information.

School Priority 1: To recognise and respond to children who are capable of greater depth (particularly in writing)

'Greater Depth' in writing, reading and maths was a new assessment outcome 3 years ago when the government reformed the primary testing system and generally made everything harder, in order to raise standards across the country. Over the last 3 years we have focussed on this new 'higher standard' and have worked hard to prepare resources and learning opportunities that give ALL children the opportunity to demonstrate that they are working at 'greater depth'. We've had much success with this, with our KS2 SATS results for greater depth or 'higher standard' increasing year on year. In KS1, our outcomes have been more variable. To help tackle this, we are aiming to identify those children who are capable of greater depth much earlier, and although we started doing this last year, we are yet to see the results!

School Priority 2: To develop further consistency of provision and support for SEND pupils

Chad Vale has always been a mainstream 'school of choice' for children with Special Education Needs (and/or) Disabilities (SEND). We work hard to meet SEND children's needs within our school and we model good practice for a range of additional needs including autism, speech and language difficulties, physical difficulties and hearing impairment. For those children with additional learning needs we recognise that there is sometimes a need to measure progress and attainment in a different way, and this target will help us to develop new systems and procedures in order to fully celebrate the small steps in learning and development that a child may make throughout the year.

School Priority 3: To develop the leadership of a more 'connected curriculum'

We are proud of our 'broad and balanced' curriculum, and having approached learning in this way for many years have come to assume that this is what happens in all schools. In our recent Ofsted we were encouraged by the feedback from the lead inspector who enjoyed talking to the children about the range of subjects and topics covered at Chad Vale; she was particularly impressed with our subject ambassadors, who were helping to lead on improving subject areas alongside the teachers responsible for leading these subjects. She told us that we needed to 'sell' our good practice better on our website, and over the next term, we will begin to better share all the good work that we do in art, music, technology, history etc. We are also focusing our teacher training day on Monday 5th November on the 'Connected Curriculum' where we will asking teachers and leaders to look at creative ways of joining up learning so that, for example, a writing objective can be covered within a history lesson, or a maths objective can be covered within a PE lesson. This then frees up time to provide more wow moments and experiences that children will remember for the rest of their lives.

We'll keep you updated on the progress of our School Development Plan over the coming months, but if you have any questions in the meantime please don't hesitate to get in touch. We will developing the subject pages on our website with our new subject ambassadors and plan to have these complete by Christmas.

Have a wonderful and safe half term holiday, Halloween, Diwali and Bonfire Night and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 6th November!



Healthy & Active @ Chad Vale

Level 2 Games: Inter School Sport Competition- Football

Last Tuesday our Year 5/6 football team kicked off a busy week for our school's sports teams, as they attempted to win the EFL Cup regional qualifiers for the second year running.

Ten schools were split into two groups of five, playing in a round-robin format. Three points were awarded for a win & one for a draw, with the top two teams in each group progressing to the semi-final. We started the competition well, drawing 0-0 with St Georges School & defeating Norfolk House 3-0 thanks to a brace of goals by Aran Binning that followed an opener scored by team captain Cairo Hazell. A late goal by Vely Loufilou secured a narrow 1-0 victory over St Peter's, meaning that a second 0-0 draw against West House was enough to earn the team a second place finish & a place in the semi-finals.

They started the semi-final against Hallfield School confidently & took an early lead as Ixmael Reyes & Vely Loufilou combined to create space on the left for an overlapping Cairo Hazell, who skilfully steered his first-time shot into the far corner of the goal. Only a fine save prevented Vely from doubling the lead. The defence held firm until the final two minutes of the game & Hallfield equalised as a deflected shot wrong footed Tom King in the Chad Vale goal. With the scores level the game looked set for extra-time, but with virtually the last kick of the game Hallfield scored a dramatic winner.

The players were heartbroken to be knocked out of the competition in such fashion, but were reminded by Mr Bowen that they had done very well to reach the semi-finals & that they had done the school proud with the quality of their play & the effort they put into each game. We now look forward to trying to defend the Harborne District league Title that the team won last year.

Hockey:

Last Wednesday two Year 6 Chad Vale teams travelled over to Lordswood Girls' School to compete in the Shenley Partnership Hockey Competition. Both teams gave a good account of themselves & reached the semi-final of the tournament. The Chad Vale B-Team, made up of player from 6V, fell behind to a well-worked Welsh House Farm goal. However, their response was swift & an equaliser, scored by Gursehaj Cooner, took the game into extra-time. Despite their best efforts the B-Team were unable to score the decisive goal. After conceding a second goal the team slipped to a narrow 2-1 defeat.

The A-Team, made up of players from 6C, fared better in their semi-final. Two goals scored by Ixmael Reyes were enough to defeat a determined St. Peter's side 2-1 & earn the team a narrow victory.

In the final Chad Vale A-team took on Welsh House Farm and fought back from a goal down to level the scores at 1-1 & take the final into extra-time. With neither team able to break the deadlock, the match was decided by a sudden-death penalty shootout. Having won the toss Welsh House Farm took the first penalty shot, but missed the target. This enabled Ixmael Reyes to step up & convert his penalty. The rest of the Chad Vale players poured onto the pitch to congratulate Ixmael & celebrate their victory.

As Shenley Partnership Champions the Chad Vale A-Team can now look forward to going to the Level 3 Birmingham School Games Winter Final & representing the School & the Partnership in the Hockey Competition. Well done boys & girls!

Extra Curricular School Sports Clubs

Next half term there will be more than 100 places available in our extracurricular sports clubs. Please see the table on the next page for information about the activities on offer to your children. Consent letters will be sent out for Sports Clubs on Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th November.



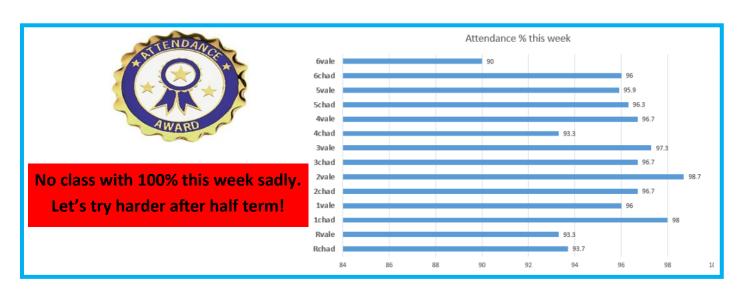


Diary Dates 2018-19: please also check the online diary on our website							
Day	Date	Time	Event				
Monday	22nd Oct	ALL WEEK	Drama and Music Week				
Monday	22nd Oct	6-9pm	Full Governing Body Meeting				
Wednesday	24th Oct	All day	Flu Vaccines (nasal) from School Nurse Team for YR-Y5 children				
Friday	26th Oct	All day	Reception Halloween Day (please dress to scare!)				
Friday	26th Oct	3.30pm	BREAK UP HALF TERM				
Monday	5th Nov	All day	SCHOOL CLOSED: Teacher Training Day				
Tuesday	6th Nov	8.45am	Back to school for children				
Tuesday	6th Nov	8.45am	Diwali Day (please dress to impress, and order your Diwali School Lunch)				
Thursday	8th Nov	All day	Y4 trip to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery				
Thursday	22nd Nov	All day	Y3 trip to Lapworth Museum				
Thursday	29th Nov	All day	Y6 trip to Aston Hall				
Tuesday	4th Dec	2.30-3.00	Reception Nativity Performance (£1 per ticket going towards Reception Xmas Workshop)				
Wednesday	5th Dec	2.30-3.00	Reception Nativity Performance (£1 per ticket going towards Reception Xmas Workshop)				
Tuesday	11th Dec	3.45-4.45pm	Reception Christmas Parent Workshop				
Wednesday	12th Dec	3.45-4.45pm	Reception Christmas Parent Workshop				
Friday	14th Dec	All day	Reception trip to Thomasland				
Wednesday	19th Dec	TBC	Chad Vale's Winter Talent Show				
Friday	21st Dec	3.30pm	BREAK UP CHRISTMAS				
Mon	7th Jan	8.45am	Back to school for children				

After School Sports Clubs (see extra information at bottom of Healthy and Active page)

Day	Clubs	Year	Staff	Start/Finish
Monday	Multi Skills Football	1-2 5-6	Mr Fenech Mr Bowen	12.11-10.12.18 12.11-3.12.18
Tuesday	Football	3-4	Mr Fenech	13.11-4.12.18
Wednesday	Pre School Multi Sports Gymnastics (FULL)		Premier Sport Premier Sport	12.9-24.10.18 12.9-12.12.18
Thursday	Thursday Archery Pre School Football		Premier Sport AVFC	13.9-13.12.18 13.9-25.10.18

^{*}Please note the Y1-2 Gymnastics Club is already fully booked. Places for this club will be offered again in January 2019.



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15th October 2018

Dear Mr Sansom,

So impressed was I with the behaviour and attitude of your year 2 pupils when they visited us at Birmingham Botanical Gardens recently, that I felt it important to write and congratulate your school and ask you to pass on my congratulations to the pupils (and staff) in question.

They were all so excited to handle our exotic animals during the Rainforest Fun with Live Animals teaching session. There were some very brave pupils that touched the animals even though they were a little scared at first. They asked some great questions and showed very good listening. They were also extremely enthusiastic when it came to the Musical Rainstorm session. There were some fantastic dancers in this session. Furthermore, they were all extremely well-behaved, polite and courteous to others during their self-guided time onsite.

Therefore, we would be more than pleased to see your pupils return anytime and we look forward to welcoming your school again soon.

Education at the Gardens - what's on .

- 4th November WWI commemoration event, with live theatre & music, visiting schools' commemorative artwork, local history and more.
- Only available in December a Chocolate Fun teaching session, with taster samples and festive plants trail.

For further information, please contact us on 0121 450 5093 or at education@birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk

Finally, we love to see and display visit photographs or classwork that has been completed subsequently. Please forward anything available to be shared, to: education@birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk. (We will assume permission of use for anything sent to us, unless informed otherwise.)

Yours sincerely,

James Jarvis (Education Manager).









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To celebrate this important and exciting festival, Chad Vale will be:

- hosting a delicious Diwali lunch
- inviting you to wear smart clothes suitable for a celebration
 - delivering a special assembly to mark the occasion

Tuesday 6th November 2018 Chad Vale Primary School

RRS Link: Article 14 - We have the right to choose our own religion and beliefs.

For more information please contact Mr. Patel on p.patel@chadvale.bham.scb.uk



Please remember, back to school on Tuesday 6th November at 8.45am.

Monday 5th is a teacher training day.

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SEN Creative Clay

Wednesday 31 October 2018 / 10.00am — 12.00pm

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6+ year olds

£5 per child, booking essential

Join ceramic designer maker and tutor Wendy Tournay for this accessible creative clay workshop for families with special educational needs. Explore the exhibition before the gallery opens and then create your own clay tiles inspired by the work of Polly Apfelbaum. Tickets include one accompanying adult, siblings welcome to book additional places.

Please book online or call Ikon Shop on 0121 248 0711. Online booking closes at 5pm on Tuesday 30 October.

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Creative Clay

Wednesday 31 October 2018 / 1.00pm — 3.30pm

6+ year olds

£5 per child, booking essential

Ceramicist Wendy Tournay leads an experimental workshop using clay, tools and coloured slips, helping you to make your own clay tiles inspired by the work of Polly Apfelbaum. Tickets include one accompanying adult.

Please book online or call Ikon Shop on 0121 248 0711, Online booking closes at 10am on Wednesday 31 October.

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THE FIREWORK SAFETY CODE

Fireworks and bonfire evenings can provide much entertainment so long as everyone follows safety procedures and remembers that fireworks can be dangerous if misused.

- Only buy fireworks marked BS 7114.
- Don't drink alcohol when setting off fireworks.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box or fin.
- 4. Follow the instruction on each firework.
- Light them at arm's length using a taper.
- 6. Stand well back.
- Never go near a firework that has been lit.
 Even if it doesn't go off, it could still explode.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.

- 9. Always supervise children around fireworks.
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never give sparklers to children under the age of 5.
- Keep all pets indoors.
- Don't let noisy fireworks off between 11pm and 7 am.
 Fireworks set off outside of the permitted

Fireworks set off outside of the permitted hours can be reported to the police.