

Charnwood Primary School

Parents Newsletter

November - December 2022

We have come to the end of a busy autumn term. It has been a real pleasure to see our pupils grow in confidence and progress with their learning. We look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Pantomime



M&M Theatrical Productions visited our school this term. The children enjoyed watching the pantomime at school and the Ark theatre. It was an amazing experience for our pupils as the entire cast was brilliant – oh yes they were! Although the panto is based on the famous Charles Dickens novel A Christmas Carol, the company added their own contemporary slant to the storyline. Staff members were called to the stage to participate – they were brilliant! Full of humour, magic and music the show conveyed a very sweet but important message: be kind!

England Rocks TTRS

Charnwood Primary School participated in the England Rocks TTRS competition, during 14th – 16th November. Over 4000 schools from England took part. All the classes from year 1 – year 6 were enrolled to participate.

Redwood - Charnwood Primary School, Leicester

Sycamore - Charnwood Primary School, Leicester

Pine - Charnwood Primary School, Leicester

Well done to our top three classes.

A big thank you to all the pupils for taking part. Mrs Bhayat has distributed certificates to participants in each class:

The most valuable player

2nd most valuable player

3rd most valuable player

To find out more about TTRS, please visit the 'Maths at Charnwood' page on the following link:
<https://www.charnwood.leicester.sch.uk/curriculum/maths-at-chnwood> on the school website.

November TTRS Update

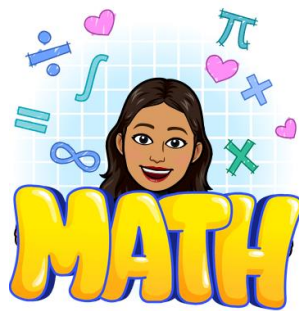
Well done to all the pupils who participated in the November TTRS competition. The winning classes enjoyed the extra playtime.

November's Champion
1 Maple
2 Ash
3 Chestnut
4 Pine
5 Sycamore
6 Redwood

The pupils were competing with their own year group! During December they will be competing with their phase.

November's Top 10 Rock Stars:

Name	Speed (question per second)	Class
Zakiyya K	0.77	Redwood
Khadijah C	0.85	Redwood
Muhammad M	1.12	Pine
Dev H	1.16	Chestnut
Zakir K	1.29	Sycamore
Aisha P	1.30	Olive
Sheikh M T	1.46	Pine
Ahmad U	1.53	Olive
Ayaan G	1.60	Olive
Adna H	1.64	Redwood



This newsletter can be provided in large print format on request and is also available on the school website.

Year 3 Music

This term, we had a special visitor at Charnwood, Tafadzwa. She is a multi-instrumentalist and singer from South Africa. She inspired us with her incredible singing and rhythms. Year 1 - 6 pupils also took part in some exciting music lessons around the theme of light where they were then able to showcase this to the rest of the school. We were all so amazed by the children's musical talents!



Clubs

Spring term clubs will start from week commencing **Monday, 09 January 2023** with the last clubs being in week commencing **Monday, 20 March 2023**. All clubs will finish by 4.00pm at the latest. If you have received a letter/phone call about an academic club, it is expected that your child is signed up unless there are unavoidable circumstances.



Educational Visits

During the last few months our children have had some engaging learning experiences during their out of school visits:

- Y5 Highfields Library
- Y4 Leicester Synagogue

Children in Need – non uniform fundraising

Our school supported the BBC's national Children in Need campaign through participating in the **SPOTacular Children in Need Day**.

Pupils came in wearing something spotty on **Friday, 18 November 2022**.



Anti-Bullying Week

This year the theme for Anti-Bullying week was Reach Out. Pupils came in wearing odd socks on **Monday, 14 November 2022**.



Remembrance Day at Charnwood

Charnwood Primary School commemorated Remembrance Day on **Friday, 11 November 2022** by wearing red and participating in a 2-minute silence at 11 o'clock. Thank you for your donations for the Royal British Legion charity.



Farewell to our Parent Governor

Sadly, we say farewell to Mr Mohammed Khalid Arif, one of our Parent Governors. We thank him for his support and wish him all the best for the future.

Staff leaving/new staff joining

Sadly, this term we say goodbye to the following staff:

- Mrs K Shaikh – Lunchtime Supervisor
- Mrs S Lopes – Lunchtime Supervisor
- Miss S Waraich – Teaching Assistant Level 3

We thank them for all their hard work and wish them all the best for the future.

This term, we welcome the following staff to our school:

- Miss S Abbas – Teaching Assistant Level 2
- Miss N Alimahomed – Teaching Assistant Level 3
 - Mrs N Patel – Lunchtime Supervisor
- Mrs A Kadri – Reprographics Assistant
 - Mrs R Khalifa - Cleaner

Vacancies

We have the following vacancies available at our school:

- Temporary Teaching Assistant Level 2
- Temporary Lunchtime Supervisor Level 1

Please visit the Eteach website for more information on <https://www.eteach.com>

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year to date is: 93.9%

Our School attendance target figure is 95.2 %, so as you can see so far we have not met our target.

Well done to 6 Redwood for having the highest attendance of 95.2% between November and December.

Please visit our school website for further information about attendance:

<http://charnwood.leicester.sch.uk>

Please could parents inform the office before 9.00am if your child has an appointment and will be absent or is arriving late by calling the school office on **0116 251 6574**
If your child is going to be absent for any other reason, please contact the school office and provide sufficient information about their absence.

If your child is going to be absent for reasons relating to coronavirus, please inform the school office.

Teachers 2 Parents Texting Service

If you wish to send a text message to the school please use the following number:-

07786 208 889

NHS Health for Kids

If you have any concerns regarding your child's health, you may text a Public Health Nurse for confidential support and advice on:

07520 615 381 (Leicester City Council)

07520 615 382 (Leicestershire and Rutland)

Data Collection

If there is a change to your contact details, you must inform the school office or via the SIMs Lite app. It is the responsibility of the parent to update the school of any changes to contact details.

Additional Bank Holiday

The school will be closed on **Monday, 08 May 2023** due to the Bank Holiday for King Charles III's coronation.

We look forward to seeing the pupils back in school on **Tuesday, 09 May 2023**.

End of Term

The last day of term will be **Friday, 16 December 2022**.

We look forward to seeing all the children back at school on **Thursday, 05 January 2023**.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

