



QUEEN'S CRESCENT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 - 1st September - 19th October

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the new academic year. It has been lovely to welcome back all of the children and hear all about the exciting things they got up to over the summer break. It has also been a pleasure to welcome our new starters in Reception; they seem to be settling in really quickly which is fantastic to see. In fact, all of the children have settled back into the school routine wonderfully and learning is already well underway; please keep an eye out for your child's termly newsletter to learn more about what they will be focussing on in class.

Teaching Staff Structure 2022-2023

Foundation Stage 2	Mrs Garton	Mrs Le Cluse/Mrs Hynes
Year 1	Mr Mullins/Mrs Peters	Miss Flemming
Year 2	Mrs Butt	Mrs Quintin/Mrs Marsh
Year 3	Miss Coupland	Mr O'Sullivan
Year 4	Mrs Woodman	Miss Chivers
Year 5	Mr Stocks	Miss Raicovi
Year 6	Mr Carpenter/Mrs Boddington	Mr Coles

Senior Leadership Team 2021 - 2022

SENCO - Mrs Lobb

Assistant Deputy Head KS1 - Mrs Butt

Assistant Deputy Head KS2 - Mr Carpenter

Deputy Headteacher - Mr Mullins

Head of School - Mr Essam

Executive Headteacher - Mrs Fountain

Hobbit Hut

Many of you will have noticed our new Hobbit Hut that has appeared on the school playground outside Year 3. The Hut is going to become the school's new sensory room and is just waiting to be furnished before the children can begin using it.

Thank you to the Friends of Queen's Crescent, who managed to secure grant funding to purchase lots of sensory equipment which will be housed in the new sensory room. We are really looking forward to having the new space up and running and being used by the children over the coming weeks.



Passports

In the past, Headteachers and Teachers have been approached to sign passports photographs and confirm the identity of parents and pupils. Owing to changes in passport procedures, that require the personal details of staff to be given as part of the process, and a growing concern nationally about holidays being taken in term time, an agreement has been made amongst all of the local Chippenham Town Schools and we will unfortunately not be able to support with this moving forward.



Dojo Points



Over the next few days your child may talk about earning a 'Dojo' for positive behaviour. We want to explain what they are, why we are using them and how your child can earn them.

As a school, we are introducing a consistent whole school approach to rewarding positive behaviours. To do this we are using a dojo point system. Dojo points are awarded for effort and/or following school rules. The children will have plenty of opportunities to earn dojo points on a daily basis. The children collect dojo points and when they have collected a set amount they will earn an extra reward.

House Teams

As part of our new behaviour policy (available on the school website), we are also re-introducing House Teams. All children and staff will belong to one of six house groups:



**Children won't necessarily join the team they were in before Covid*

Each week, every child will have their total number of dojo points added to the rest of the children's points in their house. The house with the highest total of dojos at the end of each term will be rewarded with a 'House treat'.

Throughout the year we will also hold House Team challenges.

Nut Free School

Just a polite reminder that we are a nut free school. We have several members of our school community who are extremely allergic to nuts and hold EpiPens on site. For this reason, we kindly ask that the children do not bring nuts in for a snack or as part of their packed lunches. Thank you for your help with this.



Summer Reading Challenge



It's been lovely to see so many of our pupils having already completed the Summer Reading Challenge. Don't forget to bring your certificates into school so that you can all go on the next newsletter. The deadline for completion is Saturday 10th September.

Y6 Admission to Secondary schools for September 2023

Attention all Y6 parents and carers, it is now time to apply for your child's secondary school place for September 2023. Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices. The deadline for all applications is 12 midnight on the **31st October 2022**



Primary School admissions for FS2 September 2023

If your child is 4 years old before September 2023 its time to apply for a primary school place. Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices. The deadline for all applications in 12 midnight on the **15th January 2023**.

Mr J Essam
Head of School

DATES FOR DIARY - TERM

Monday 12 th September	- FOQC Castle Combe Cycle Night
Tuesday 20 th September	- 2023 FS2 Parent Tour - 1.30pm - 2.30pm & 5.00pm - 6.00pm
Wednesday 21 st September	- Individual & Sibling School Photos
Friday 30 th September	- Whole School Flu Immunisations - More info to follow
Thursday 13 th October	- 2023 FS2 Parent Tour - 5.00pm - 6.00pm
Tuesday 18 th October	- KS1 Harvest Festival
Wednesday 19 th October	- KS2 Harvest Festival
Wednesday 19 th October	- Last Day of Term 1



Celebrating out of School Achievements Congratulations to:



Chloe W	- For completing her Level 8 in Gymnastics
Amelia G & Bryony S	- For earning their Cricket Medals
Mya W	- For completing her 100m Swimming Badge
James A	- For completing Mr Ray's pop up quiz
Eva M	- For completing her Stage 4 in swimming
Lily & Evie M	- For earning their 10m Swimming Badge

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