

# Our School Newsletter

Chandlers Field Primary School 22 October 2021 No. 8



## Secondary School Applications

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2022, you have until 31 October to apply for their school place.

If you miss the deadline, you reduce the chances of getting one of your preferred schools for your child. We recommend you apply as soon as possible and before schools break up for half term on 22 October, to avoid any last-minute hiccups.

[The online admissions system](#) is quick and easy to use. Here you will also find information about schools in your area. You can even apply using your mobile; [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions)

If you cannot apply online, you will need to call Surrey's Schools & Childcare Service on 0300 200 1004 to request a paper application form. Make sure you send it back to arrive no later than 31 October. We recommend you send it by registered post. **Apply online; apply by 31 October.**

## Uniform Exchange

School uniform can be expensive and children grow so quickly. We have set up a uniform exchange. The idea is that if parents and carers have good quality second hand uniform that their child no longer needs or has grown out of, it can be donated to school. There is a blue wheelie container by the main reception for parents and carers to drop off any good quality uniform for recycling.

**The date for the next uniform exchange is Monday 8 November at 1.30 pm in the Albert Hall.**

Please come along if you need any second hand uniform.

## School photographs

The photographer is coming to take individual and sibling photos on Friday 5 November 2021.

As this day is when Year 2 wear PE kit to school, if you would prefer that your child has their photograph taken in their school uniform, please send them into school wearing their uniform with their PE kit in a bag so that they can change into it once the photographs have been taken.



## Christmas Card Design Competition

Dominic Raab has invited Chandlers Field to take part in a Christmas card competition. It's open to all primary schools in the Esher and Walton constituency, the winner will see their artwork featured on the cards he sends across his constituency later this year.

There are two groups in the competition, and a prize will be awarded to each group winner.

Group 1: Reception - Year 2

Group 2: Year 3 - Year 6

Many classes have started this in class, but if your child would like to create one over half term then they are very welcome to! The creative brief is completely open; work needs to be submitted on an A4 or A5 piece of paper and returned by Friday 5th of November 2021.

## Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival assembly is on Wednesday 17th November.

This year, we would like to help people in the local community.

The local foodbank would, therefore, be very grateful for any non-perishable and in-date items. There are lots of items that they need but in particular:





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- Long life fruit juice and squash
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned hot dogs
- Pulses (chickpeas and kidney beans)
- Small packs of tea bags (40/80 per pack)
- Sugar (ideally small packs, 500g)

Please can all donations of food be brought into school by **Tuesday 16th November 2021** so that we can prepare for our Harvest assembly.

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This week we are focusing on what bullying means in early years and Key Stage 1 and below is some helpful advice for parents from Kidscape.org.uk. to help support you with some positive ideas for you and your children!

## **Bullying in early years**

With very young children in Key Stage 1 or early years, it is unlikely that they are intending to bully others in quite the same way as older children.

Younger children can be very hands on, and will take time to read social situations and always behave appropriately with others. Some children may also have underlying developmental and/or health needs that mean they can be physically aggressive with other children (e.g. pushing, pinching, kicking and biting).

While it is very difficult if your child has been on the receiving end of this or if you are told that your child is hurting others, it's important to stay calm and ask the staff for help. While you may be angry or upset we don't advise talking to the parents of the other child unless you are friends and it feels possible to talk it through calmly.

## **Practical ways you can help younger children**

### **Role play**

Role play saying (or communicating) 'No, stop that', or 'No, I don't like that' in a clear voice.

## **Physical boundaries**

Help them understand about physical boundaries and that it is okay not to want someone else to touch you. Also teach them to respect the physical boundaries of others (e.g. to always ask if someone wants a hug and to be gentle in their play).

## **Encourage them to talk to their teacher/adult**

Encourage them to always let you know if something or someone has upset them, or if they are in school, to find a quiet moment to talk to the teacher. If they don't get the help they need from the first teacher, encourage them to find another adult in the school they trust.

## **Talk about friendships**

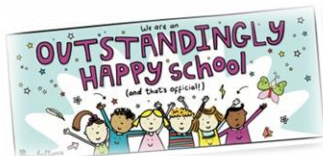
Talk through [what makes a good friend](#), and what to look for in a friend. Remind them that real friends won't make you sad or force you to do something you don't want to do. Suggest they have lots of friends rather than one best friend. This will help protect them from any friendship fall-outs. On the website you can see the "Choose Respect" guide for some ideas and activities to explore developing respectful friendships.

## **Encourage them to be kind**

Encourage them to be kind to other children, looking out for others who may be feeling left out and never joining in if other children are being unkind.

## **Embrace uniqueness**

If your child is worried they stand out for being different in some way, remind them that we are all unique and that their difference is a strength. Let them know that no one has the right to put them



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down for who they are and that they do not need to change.

## Model kind behaviour

Model calm and kind behaviour in your own home. Set boundaries between siblings and make sure you always discourage physical aggression and behaviour that hurts others.

## The importance of saying sorry

Teach your child the importance of saying sorry. We all say or do things that upset other people but the younger we can learn to say sorry if we hurt someone, the better. It's also important to help your child learn to forgive others who have hurt them (children are usually much quicker to forgive and forget than adults).

## Stars of the week

Bumblebees	Leonie S
Dragonflies	
Paddington	
Bloomsbury	Gracie C
Hyde Park	Eliza T
Bond Street	Harley X
Baker Street	Hari S
Regents Park	Isla
Southbank	Isla C
Pudding Lane	Kenzie C
Greenwich	Amelia M
Kensington	Layla H
Buckingham Place	Fathima Z
Windsor Castle	Lilly-Karen H

## House Points

1 <sup>st</sup> Mole	1020	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wey	807
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ember	836	4 <sup>th</sup> Thames	755

## Independent Learning

Here are the winners across the school:

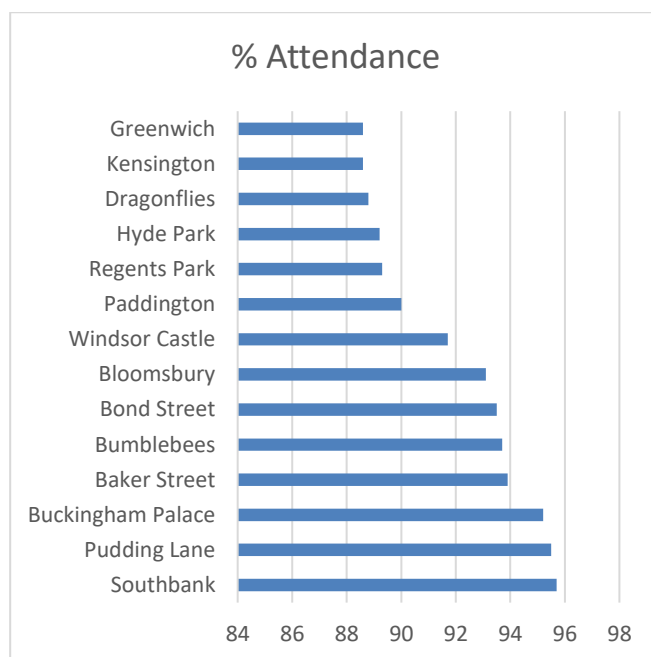
## Mathletics

Albi H - Baker Street - 7215 points  
Daryan Y - Pudding Lane - 5017 points

## Education City

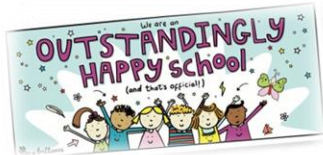
Leila R - Greenwich  
Cathy I - Hyde Park

## This week's class attendance percentages



## Dates for Diary

31 Oct 2021	Deadline to apply for secondary school place
01 Nov 2021	Additional day's holiday in lieu of the Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
02 Nov 2021	Children return to school
02 Nov 2021	Year 3 (Southbank) trip to Watts Gallery
03 Nov 2021	Year 3 (Regents Park) trip to Watts Gallery
04 Nov 2021	Diwali
05 Nov 2021	Guy Fawkes Day



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05 Nov 2021	Individual school photographs
08 Nov 2021	Second hand uniform exchange at 1.30 pm
09 Nov 2021	Friends of Chandlers Field Coffee Morning
11 Nov 2021	Armistice/Remembrance Day
15 Nov 2021	Anti bullying launch
17 Nov 2021	Harvest Festival
19 Nov 2021	Children in Need
22 Nov 2021	Switch off fortnight launch
23 Nov 2021	Parents Consultations
25 Nov 2021	Friends of Chandlers Field Coffee Morning
25 Nov 2021	Parents Consultations
29 Nov 2021	National Tree Week
30 Nov 2021	St. Andrews Day
03 Dec 2021	Friends of Chandlers Field Movie Night (more info to follow)
10 Dec 2021	Friends of Chandlers Field Movie Night (more info to follow)
10 Dec 2021	Christmas Raffle draw