

1. News and messages

Today I met with the Friends of Chandlers Field committee, our great fundraising team of parents and carers. They recently had their AGM, which I hope you were able to attend, and now have a new committee going forward. Claire Bender is the new Chair and Pamela Dutta is the vice Chair.

Last year they raised money for some computer trollies for the Chromebooks and sourced our storytelling chair through the Tesco charity counters.

The work they do provides additional funds for the school through fun events, which can only happen with the support of the school and parents and carers. If you can spare any time to help with their fundraising, please do contact them. It may be helping at a cake sale or an hour at an event, but I know every little bit of help will be really appreciated as it is demanding work organising events on your own and even harder without help on the day.

This year they are going to raise even more money with your help, to replace the computers the children need and to purchase tricycles, scooters and other equipment for the children. Lets really support them to make this a great fundraising year.

Do not forget to look under item 4 for their latest newsletter too.

Book Fair

We are very excited to announce that the Book Fair is arriving in school this Monday! The Book Fair is an event that brings the children the books they love to read. We'll have a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books, suitable for every reading level. All purchases benefit the school and enable us to buy new books for our children. The Book Fair will be open every day after school from 3:25pm. We will be able to accept cash or card payments using a QR reader so you will need a phone in order to pay with a card.

Each class will visit the library during the week, so if you are unable to attend the Book Fair after school but would like your child to purchase a book, they can bring money in a named envelope.

To celebrate the arrival of the Book Fair we have five chances to win a £5 voucher to spend at the fair. We are asking children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 to design a bookmark of their favourite book or



character. In Years 3-6, we are asking children to create a book review of their favourite book. The entries need to be handed to the children's class teacher, no later than Wednesday 11th October. We look forward to seeing you at the book fair!

Secondary School Applications

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2024, 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 20 October, to avoid any last-minute hiccups.

<u>The online admissions system</u> is quick and easy to use. Here you will also find information about schools in your area.

You can apply using your mobile; 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 2024. We recommend you send it by registered post. **Apply online; apply by 31 October.**

Art

To keep everyone's **uniform protected during art lessons, please could you send your child in with a large, old adult t-shirt or shirt** that they can wear over their uniform. Once the t-shirts/shirts are in school, they can keep them hung on their pegs with their bags for the remainder of the year. (No need to bring in specifically on an art day).

2. Events diary for the year

Dates for your diaries

	2023 -2024			
09 Oct 2023	Year 2 visit from Surrey Fire and Rescue			
09-13 Oct 2023	Book Fair			
10 Oct 2023	PGL meeting for Year 6 Parents 3.30 pm			
11 Oct 2023	Whole school Nasal Flu (Rec – Year 6)			
11 Oct 2023	Prospective Parent tour for Reception 2024 – Please call the school office to book a place			
17 Oct 2023	Reception Phonics Early Reading Support Session for Parents 9.00 am			
17 Oct 2023	Closing date for Parent Governor Nominations			
18 Oct 2023	Prospective Parent tour for Reception 2024 – Please call the school office to book a place			
19 Oct 2023	KS1 Parent Reading Meeting 9.00 – 9.20 am			
20 Oct 2023	Last day of half term			
26 Oct 2023	KS2 Parent Reading Meeting 9.00 - 9:20 am			
30 Oct 2023	Inset day (no children in school)			
31 Oct 2023	Children return to school			
01 Nov 2023	Individual school photographs			
06- 10 Nov 2023	Year 6 PGL			
17 Nov 2023	Children in Need			
21 Nov 2023	Parent and Carer Consultations			
23 Nov 2023	Parent and Carer Consultations			
05 Dec 2023	Year 1 Old Toys Workshop			
05 Dec 2023	Christmas Craft with your child			
07 Dec 2023	Christmas Fayre			
07 Dec 2023	Christmas Jumper Day			
12 Dec 2023	Nursery Nativity			
13 Dec 2023	Reception Nativity			
15 Dec 2023	End of Term			
02 Jan 2024	Children return to school			
06 Feb 2024	Safer Internet Day			
09 Feb 2024	End of half term			
19 Feb 2024	Children return to school			
19 Feb 2024	Art Week			
28 Feb 2024	Art Exhibition			
04 Mar 2024	Inset day (no children in school)			
07 Mar 2024	World Book Day			

11 Mar 2024	Reports to Parents		
12 Mar 2024	Parent & Carer Consultations		
14 Mar 2024	Parent and Carer Consultations		
22 Mar 2024	Reception Stay and Learn session 2.00 – 3.15 pm		
23 Mar 2024	World Maths Day		
28 Mar 2024	End of Term		
15 April 2024	Children return to school		
13 May 2024	KS2 SATs week		
14 May 2024	Reception Stay and Learn session 2.00 – 3.15 pm		
24 May 2024	End of half term		
03 June 2024	Children return to school		
19 June 2024	KS1 and KS2 Sports Day		
20 June 2024	Reception and Nursery Sports Day		
24 June 2024	Inset day (no children in school)		
12 July 2024	Reports to Parents		
16 July 2024	Parent and Carer Consultations to discuss Report		
18 July 2024	Parent picnic lunch		
23 July 2024	Last day of term		

Please note any new dates which are added will be highlighted in red Please note dates in green are events that parents will be invited to attend

3. Celebrations and Attendance

3. Celebration including attendance

Attendance for week commencing 25 September 2023

Year Group	Class	% Attendance	
Coin unit	Wimbledon	89.2%	
Coin unit	Waterloo	92%	
6	Buckingham Palace	93.7%	
5	Windsor Castle	97.5%	
5	Regents Park	100%	
4	Baker Street	84.8%	
4	Bond Street	94.5%	
3	Greenwich	94.2%	
3	Kensington	92.1%	
2	Pudding Lane	97.9%	
2	Southbank	92%	
1	Bloomsbury	93.3%	
1	Hyde Park	92.8%	
R	Dragonflies	90.6%	

Well done Regents Park 100% attendance!

4. Friends of Chandlers Field notice



The Friends of Chandlers Field School



Newsletter 1: 6th October

AGM - new committee members

We are happy to introduce our new committee for the coming year:

Chair Vice Chair Secretary Treasurer Contacts coordinator School Link

- Pamela Dutta - Robyn Milstead - Gemma Hackett - Chice Lock

- Claire Bender

- Sasha Stock

The above team will be working hard to bring exciting events to the school throughout this year. We are all very friendly so do drop us a message and we can introduce ourselves personally!

How can you help?

Do you, a loved one or a friend run a business that could benefit our children in any way? For example:

- Food trucks
- Homemade products
- Book stores
- Estate Agents
- Printing
- Have something/a service you could donate to a raffle?
- Anything else?!

Please get in touch as we are eager to build a list of vendors in our school community who can benefit from our activities at the same time as benefitting our school.

Teacher Appreciation

FOCF didn't want to let 'national teacher appreciation day' go unnoticed so a cake and fruit platter was delivered to school on 5th October.



Thank you to all CFS staff, we hope you enjoyed the treats!

Special Announcement

We are delighted to confirm that the FOCFs will be financing a PANTO performance to be held for all children later this year. School will release further details shortly. More information on items we are raising money for will be in this newsletter soon!

Events 2023-2024

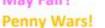
We are excited to share our current plans with you for the year ahead:

Meet the FOCF Family! Parents Pub Night! Coffee Mornings! Stationery Supply shop! Christmas Bake Sale! Wine Tasting Evening!

Silent Disco!

Bake Sales!

Ice Cream Sales! May Fair!



Sponsored Bounce!

You Spoke, we listened!

We are also happy to confirm that plans are being made for a **Christmas Card project** for the children this year.

We would like to hear from any parents who would be willing to volunteer at events or with planning in any capacity.

Get in touch

Please email: friendsofcfs@hotmail.com or you can message 07816555949.

Helping the FOCFs doesn't have to be a large commitment, we welcome any parent who wants to have a share in whatever capacity they can manage.



5. List of current clubs across the school

Our School Clubs

Autumn Term 2023

Some clubs are run by external providers and some by staff. If you are interested in your child joining a club please contact the school office to see if there are spaces and what the charges are.

		Before school	Lunchtime	After school
	Monday	Dodgeball		Boys Football
Year 6	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday			Girls football
	Friday			Times tables club
Year 5	Monday	Dodgeball		Boys Football
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday			Girls Football
	Friday			Times tables club
Year 4	Monday	Dodgeball		
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday			Pop Star Performers
	Friday			Times tables club
	Monday	Dodgeball		Cheerleading
Year 3	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday			Pop Star Performers
	Friday			Times tables club
Year 2	Monday			Cheerleading
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos
	Thursday			Pop Star Performers
	Friday			
	Monday			Cheerleading
Year 1	Tuesday			Football ESP
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos
	Thursday			Pop Star Performers
	Friday			
Reception	Monday			
	Tuesday			
	Wednesday			Spanish Amigos
	Thursday			
	Friday			

6. Community Information Page

6. Parent support and courses



FAMILY LEARNING

First Steps to Understanding my Child (ADHD, Autism and Neurodivergent) Course



This FREE three-week course for parents and carers is delivered online in 2 hour sessions. The course is suitable for parents of children with a diagnosis or those awaiting assessment.

What will I learn?

- Develop an understanding of terms, key features and behaviour of neurodiversity
- Apply techniques for understanding a child's profile and behaviour
- Develop language and skills for recording information to present to schools and professionals

For course dates, more information and to book your place please click on <u>this link</u> or scan the QR code

Course also available for practical cooking ideas for neurodivergent children and a workshop to support the language of neurodivergence for English as an additional language (EAL) parents



Web : <u>www.surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning</u> Email : family.learning@surreycc.gov.uk Tel : 0300 200 1044







7. Vacancies in School

We currently have an exciting vacancy for a Midday Activity Leader to join our fantastic team.

Here at Chandlers Field Primary School we are very proud of everyone; our school, our students and their achievements, our staff and our families. Everyone here is dedicated and works hard with the best interests of the pupils at all times.

Our children are at the heart of every decision we make, and our focus is on ensuring they become confident, curious, happy individuals who reach their full potential. We are a caring school where the children are warmly received by everyone and encouraged, throughout their time with us, to aim high and engage with all the opportunities the school offers.

The successful candidates will:

- Be actively supportive of the ethos, vision and values of the school
- Have high expectations and a commitment to pupil's wellbeing and safety on site
- Possess good interpersonal skills in order to communicate effectively with children and staff
- Bring qualities, skills and talents to the staff team

We can offer the successful candidate:

- A term time only role
- Support in his/her role from the Headteacher, SLT, colleagues and the governing body.
- Opportunities, support and encouragement to undertake further professional development.
- Good transport links with free onsite parking.
- Access to occupational health, employee assistance and a weekend email curfew as part of our staff wellbeing practices.
- Membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme
- Membership of the Surrey My Benefits Scheme

If you would like to discuss the post in more detail or would like to come and have a look around our great school, please contact the school office.

Closing date for applications: 18th October 8.75 hours per week, 38 weeks per year. 11.45 am - 1.30 pm Monday to Friday Interviews will take place week commencing 30th October

Safeguarding Statement

Chandlers Field Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We particularly welcome applications from under represented groups including ethnicity, gender, transgender, age, disability, sexual orientation or religion.

If you are interested in the position, you can apply via www.eteach.com