

Our School Newsletter

Chandlers Field Primary School

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Our School Values



Aspirations



Perseverance



Courage



Compassion



Respect



Together

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1. News and messages

Happy New Year

A very happy new year to you all. It was a very windy welcome back on Tuesday and I would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding with sudden changes to pick up on Tuesday afternoon due to the loose roof panel on the shelter at the front of the school. A special thanks to the parents and staff who rallied round and helped with ensuring everyone was kept clear of the area at the time and were kept safe. It certainly started the year in a very unexpected way!

Goodbye and hello

We say goodbye to Dean, our caretaker who is moving out of the area. He will be missed by us all and I know you will join us to wish him well for the future.

Next week our new parental support worker, Mrs Cole starts with us. She brings a wealth of experience and will be a real asset to the school.

We have a temporary replacement for Mr Sandhu, Ms. C. Williams, who started with us this week in Baker Street.

An exciting announcement!

We are delighted to announce our brand new CITIZENSHIP awards which are being rolled out to the children this term.

There are 3 awards:

For years 1 and 2 the Dexter Award – named after our school dog

For years 3 and 4 the Wilson Award – named after the late Tara Wilson who worked here

For years 5 and 6 the McFarlane Award – named after the late Morag McFarlane who also worked here

This seemed a lovely way to remember two ladies who were very important to the school.

There will be a set of challenges that the children work towards over the two years and the challenges link to our school values and promote good citizenship.

This is an example of the Dexter award.

Compassion	I know what to do if I hurt myself	
	I am always a good friend	

The Citizenship awards will be explained to the children in their classes and they will then start their journey towards their goals. As Year 6 have only 2 terms left, and each award is over a two year period, we will be speaking to them separately. Children in our coin unit will be working towards the award at an appropriate badge level.

Pupil Absence Procedures

The School's Attendance Policy states that parents and carers must inform the school office on the first day their child is absent from school and on any subsequent days. Absence calls to school must be made by 9.00am. If you call the previous evening please leave a message on school voicemail. After 8.30 am please leave a message on the absence line by choosing option 1. This procedure is to ensure that your child is safeguarded at all times. If a child has not arrived at school and we have not heard from a parent or carer we have to follow up to find out where they are; they may have gone missing on the way to school, you may be ill and be unable to raise help. If we have not heard why your child is absent, we will try to call you and if we cannot make contact with you we will call the people on the list of contacts you have provided. If we are unable to make contact with a parent, carer or designated relative over the phone and we do not know where your child is we will do a home visit to make sure they, and you are safe. As a final step, we will call the police. It is important that the list of emergency contacts is always up to date. If you need to provide the office with any changes to these, please could you do so as soon as possible.

Please be aware that The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. The Headteacher is required to determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.

In accordance with the above Regulations, requests for leave of absence are treated sympathetically, but only in exceptional circumstances can they be approved. Government Regulations state that parents who take their child out of school during term time for five days or more, without the authority of the Headteacher, will each be liable to receive a penalty notice. Penalty Notices will be issued by the Local Authority and in Surrey it has been agreed that Penalty Notices will only be issued where five days or more unauthorised leave of absence is taken. These absences do not have to be consecutive but could be accumulated over a 3-month period.

The penalty is £60 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice, rising to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days of receipt of the notice. If the penalty is not paid by the end of the 28-day period the Local Authority will prosecute the recipient for failing to ensure the regular school attendance of their child under section 444 Education Act 1996.

Please be aware that each parent is liable to receive a Penalty Notice for each child who incurs unauthorised absences. For example, if there are two parents and two children, each parent will receive two Penalty Notices.

Consultation: Admissions Arrangements for 2025/26 for Chandlers Field Primary School

We are consulting on our Admissions Arrangements for 2025/26.

The key change to our admissions arrangements are as follows:

We are proposing to a) remove the nearest school criterion; and b) to introduce a Children of Staff criterion

The school Governing Body and Headteacher are in agreement of this proposal.

The six-week (minimum) consultation will begin on 01/12/2023 with the closing date for submitting comments being 12/01/2024.

The proposed arrangements can be viewed on the school website: <https://www.chandlers-field.surrey.sch.uk>

Alternatively, if you do not have access to the Internet and you wish to request a printed copy of the admissions arrangements, please contact Lynn Williams/John McKee at Chandlers Field Primary School.

Comments on the proposed admission arrangements should be sent to Chandlers Field Primary School by the closing date (latest midnight on 12/01/2024).

Starting school for the first time – September 2024

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 & 31 August 2020 you should be applying for a primary school place. All applications have to be made online, please log on to: www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.

If you need another copy of the leaflet or need any help please call the school office and ask to speak to Mrs Gill.

Please note that having a child in our nursery does not guarantee that you will automatically be offered a place at Chandlers Field School. Admission to Reception is subject to a separate application being made.

You will need to apply for a school place by **15 January 2024**.

2.Events diary for the year

Dates for your diaries

2023 -2024	
08 Jan 2024	Fields of Chandlers Field Penny Wars starts
10 Jan 2024	Year 2 trip to St. Peters Church

15-19 Jan 2024	Year 6 Bikeability
24 Jan 2024	School Council trip to The Houses of Parliament
31 Jan 2024	Reception Wonderdome Workshop
01 Feb 2024	Year 6 Sharing Assembly – 9.05 am
06 Feb 2024	Safer Internet Day
09 Feb 2024	Friends of Chandlers Field Silent Disco
09 Feb 2024	End of half term
19 Feb 2024	Children return to school
19 Feb 2024	Art Week
28 Feb 2024	Art Exhibition
01 Mar 2024	Year 5 History Workshop
04 Mar 2024	Inset day (no children in school)
06 Mar 2024	Drama-based presentation by the NHS for Years 5 & 6
07 Mar 2024	World Book Day
12 Mar 2024	Parent & Carer Consultations
14 Mar 2024	Year 3 Sharing Assembly – 9.05 am
14 Mar 2024	Parent and Carer Consultations
16 Mar 2024	Cross Country Run
20 Mar 2024	Year 2 trip to Painshill Park
22 Mar 2024	Reception Stay and Learn session 2.00 – 3.15 pm
23 Mar 2024	World Maths Day
28 Mar 2024	Friends of Chandlers Field end of term ice cream sale
28 Mar 2024	End of Term, school finishes at 2pm
15 April 2024	Children return to school
24 April 2024	Class Photographs
25 April 2024	Coin Unit, Reception and Nursery cake sale
09 May 2024	Year 1 Sharing Assembly – 9.05 am
13 May 2024	KS2 SATs week
14 May 2024	Reception Stay and Learn session 2.00 – 3.15 pm
16 May 2024	Year 4 Sharing Assembly – 9.05 am
18 May 2024	May Fair
22 May 2024	Year 2 trip to Hampton Court Palace
23 May 2024	Year 1 & 2 Cake Sale
23 May 2024	Year 2 Sharing Assembly – 9.05 am
24 May 2024	End of half term
03 June 2024	Children return to school
08 June 2024	Molesey Carnival

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)
27/28 June 2024	Year 4 Bikeability
27 June 2024	District Sports
27 June 2024	Year 3 & 4 Cake Sale
10 July 2024	Friends of Chandlers field Sponsored Bounce
11 July 2024	Reception trip to Bocketts Farm
12 July 2024	Reports to Parents
16 July 2024	Parent and Carer Consultations to discuss Report
18 July 2024	Parent picnic lunch
18 July 2024	Year 5 & 6 Cake Sale
23 July 2024	Last day of term, school finishes at 2pm

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

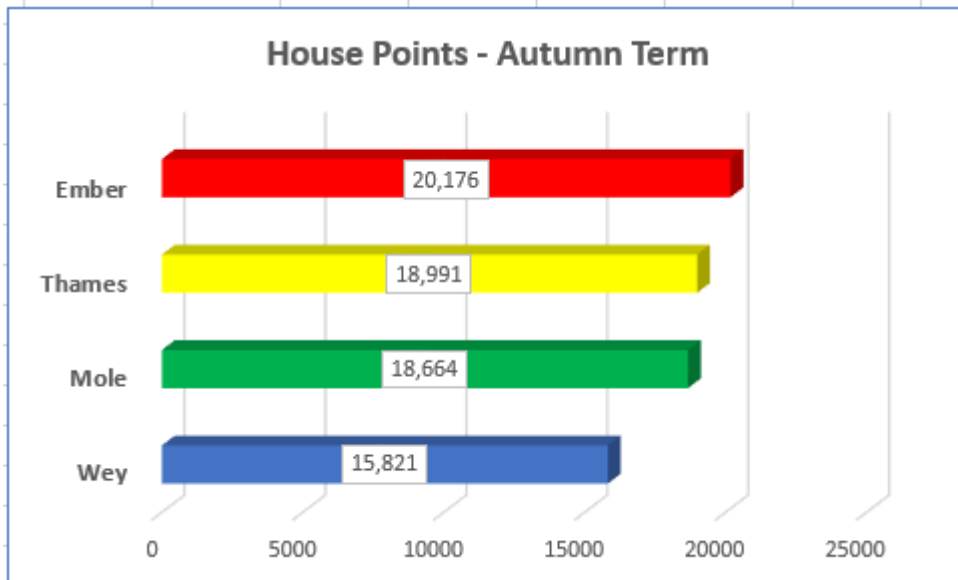
3. Celebration including attendance

Attendance for week commencing 02 January 2024

Year Group	Class	% Attendance
Coin unit	Wimbledon	98.1%
Coin unit	Waterloo	89.9%
6	Buckingham Palace	90.9%
5	Windsor Castle	97%
5	Regents Park	94%
4	Baker Street	92.5%
4	Bond Street	84.9%
3	Greenwich	90.9%
3	Kensington	93.3%
2	Pudding Lane	91.1%
2	Southbank	93.5%
1	Bloomsbury	92.5%
1	Hyde Park	96.4%
R	Bumblebees	90.6%
R	Dragonflies	88.2%

House Points

Congratulations to Ember House who had the highest number of points for Autumn term. Term points will be added together each term along with sports day points for the overall winner at the end of the year.





4. Friends of Chandlers Field notice

Fundraising update

- The Christmas Bake and Stationery Sale raised c£130!
 - Christmas Card project raised £458!!!

Class Reps

A new class reps system will be rolled out very shortly with the aim of making communication between school, FOCF and parents more engaging. Your children will be bringing information home in bookbags soon, please look out for it!

Penny Wars! – 8th – 19th January

Our fun in-school game **begins on MONDAY!**

Please send your child to school with any donations at any point during the next 2 weeks so that they can play.

Each class will have a pot which can win points. Children can also sabotage other class pots with £1 and £2 coins causing 'negative points'.

Children have already received instructions in assembly today but you can find out more by looking at the leaflet in their bookbag.

PRIZES FOR THE WINNING CLASS

Silent Disco – 9th February

Tickets will soon be released for the school silent disco. Please let us know if you are available to help on the night!

An easy way to 'give' to FOCFS

Easyfundraising is a special website dedicated to raising funds for charities. Accounts are free and there are 3 very easy ways to trigger the donation –

1. find the company you are about to make a purchase from on their website and click the link before you make your purchase.
2. Install a browser add on which will automatically let you know whenever a donation is available.
3. Download and use the app before making your purchase.

Big stores like Tesco, H&M, TUI and Argos are all there giving up to 10% of your purchase straight to FOCF **without any cost to you**. Please visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk OR download the easyfundraising app in your Appstore.

Did you know that since the start of this initiative over £950 has been raised for our school in this way?



Further events

28th March – End of term ice cream sale Come and get a cool treat!

25th April – Nursery, reception and COIN Cake sale Parents (and children) of N, R and C please bring your donations to reception or straight to the stall.

18th May – May Fair Fun stalls to come and browse run by parents AND their children.

23rd May – Year 1 and 2 Bake Sale Parents (and children) of year 1 and 2 please bring your donations to reception or straight to the stall.

27th June – Year 3 and 4 Bake Sale Parents (and children) of year 3 and 4 please bring your donations to reception or straight to the stall.

10th July– Sponsored Bounce Raise money and have fun with a bouncy castle!

18th July - Year 5 and 6 Farewell Bake Sale Parents (and children) of year 5 and 6 please bring your cakes!

Get in touch:

Please [email: friendsofcfs@hotmail.com](mailto:friendsofcfs@hotmail.com) or you can message 07816555949.

The Friends of Chandler's Field School present:

PENNY WARS!

8th - 19th January 2024

Each class will have a pot for collecting points
Children can bring coins to school to put into the pots

Earn Positive Points

Put these in your class pot!



Copper Coins, Silver Coins and Bank notes in your pot all count towards your class total

1p = 1 point
50p = 50 points
£5 = 500 points
ETC!

Negative Points

Put these in another class pot!

one Pound and two Pound coins in your pot DEDUCT from your total!



£1 = deduct 100 points!
£2 = deduct 200 points!

Use Strategy to win!

PRIZE FOR THE WINNING CLASS



PENNY WARS

Instructions

Each class will have a pot accessible to all pupils.
This pot can be filled with donations from that class bringing 'positive' points - 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £5 note, £10 note, £20 note, £50 note (1 point - 5,000 points!)

This pot can also be 'sabotaged' by members of other classes by putting £1 or £2 coins in - causing 'negative' points. (Minus 100 - 200 points)

At the end of the week the points will be totalled for each class and the class with the highest number of points will win a prize!

Children can be encouraged to employ strategic thinking while also enjoying working as a team and fundraising for our school

EVERY PENNY COUNTS IN PENNY WARS!

All proceeds raised will go to The Friends of Chandler's Field School

5. List of current clubs across the school

Our School Clubs

Spring 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
Year 6	Monday	Dodgeball		Boys Football
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday	Running Club	Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday		Online learning	Girls football
	Friday			Times tables club Netball
Year 5	Monday	Dodgeball		Boys Football
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday	Running Club	Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday		Online learning	Girls Football
	Friday			Times tables club Netball
Year 4	Monday	Dodgeball		
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday	Running Club	Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday		Online learning	Pop Star Performers
	Friday			Times tables club
Year 3	Monday	Dodgeball		Cheerleading
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday	Running Club	Ukulele	Spanish Amigos Guitar
	Thursday		Online learning	Pop Star Performers
	Friday			Times tables club
Year 2	Monday			Cheerleading
	Tuesday			Football ESP Judo
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos
	Thursday			Pop Star Performers
	Friday			
Year 1	Monday			Cheerleading
	Tuesday			Football ESP
	Wednesday		Ukulele	Spanish Amigos
	Thursday			Pop Star Performers
	Friday			
Reception	Monday			
	Tuesday			
	Wednesday			Spanish Amigos
	Thursday			
	Friday			

6. Parent support and courses

7. Vacancies in School

We currently have vacancies for a Caretaker, SENDCo, Nursery Nurse, Teacher, Learning Support Assistant and cleaner. All these positions are advertised on Eteach (www.eteach.com). If you would like more information please speak to the school office.