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E-Safety, Reading and Happy New Year!

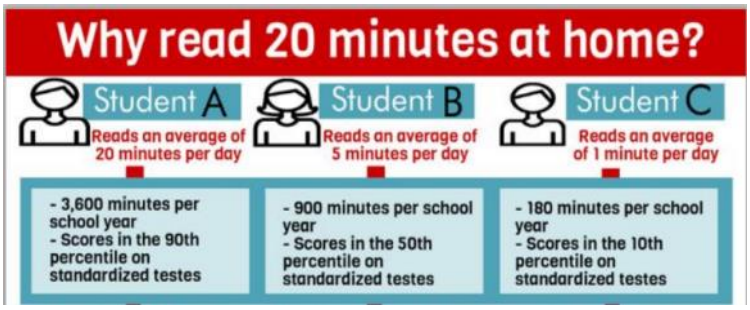
This week we have celebrated Chinese New Year and welcomed in the Year of the Pig. Lots of children came in to school dressed in their finest clothes or wearing the colours red and yellow to celebrate the day and the children have taken part in assemblies and learning around Chinese New Year during the week.

We have also spent the week learning about ways we can keep ourselves safe on-line. E-Safety is something we take very seriously at Chad Vale and we spend time throughout the year learning these important life skills. This week we held an E-Safety assembly for the children where they talked to each other about how important it is to be E-SMART. You can find lots of up-to-date guides for parents to support you and your child when using social media apps and platforms on this website https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/. You could make use of the 7 questions poster on page 3 of our newsletter to start a conversation with your child at home about online safety.

Our annual Year 1 phonics workshops were held this week and they were very well attended which is fantastic. We would like to say a big thank you to all who came along and we hope that you found the sessions useful. Phonic knowledge is a vital part of learning to read but once phonics are mastered the journey has not ended… As a school we recommend a minimum of 15-20 minutes of reading or being read to every night. Parents really do play an integral part in their child's education and one of the best ways to support learning at home is through regular reading. Reading every day helps children to sleep, improves communication, creates powerful emotional bonds, develops vocabulary, introduces new knowledge and improves thinking skills. #keepreading

WORLD BOOK DAY 7th March 2019

This year, rather than come to school dressed as a character, we would like to invite children to donate a book to school for our school library. Children may also come in to school wearing their own clothes on this day (or a costume if they wish). We will provide donation labels for children to stick inside the cover of any donated books. This will help us to keep our school library up to date with different books as we continue to raise the profile of reading in school. Thank you for your support.



Key Stage 2 are in need of some things for their Higher Order Thinking Session (HOTS) on Thursday next week. If you have any of the following we would very much appreciate you sending these into school between Mon and Thurs next week. Nothing that has contained nuts though please—**THANK YOU!**

*Yoghurt Pots * Empty Bottles, Tubs and Containers * Boxes
* Rice/ Pasta * Pasta * Elastic Bands

52 Y6 children and 5 staff have been away this week on our annual residential trip. This year the trip has been to Manor Adventure—Culmington Manor in Shropshire. During the week they have tried a range of outdoor activities, learned new skills, made new friends and also begun to develop important life skills in independence. Experiences such as these are ones that are always remembered most vividly by the children as they move on from Chad Vale. Here is a tiny selection of the many photos that were taken during the week—the rest can be seen on our school website.

Parking Reminder

Unfortunately there are still parents who are choosing to park inconsiderately. The double yellow and zig zag lines on the roads outside school have been placed there to keep the areas around our school safe for our children. There are also parents who are continuing to park in the turning circle and on the drive to pick up from school clubs. **Please remember that no parent cars are permitted on the drive at any time, unless they have been given a Chad Vale Drive Pass and these should only be used between certain times.** Please remember to 'think before you park'! Thank-you for your co-operation on this matter.

Want to get fitter? Join Chad Vale Runners!

We are a group of parents and staff who are planning to run the Birmingham 10K in May, raising money for the school through sponsorship. We will have weekly training sessions (departing from school gates) working up to the race, and we have a personal trainer on board to help limber up those rusty limbs! If you are interested in joining us, please get in touch with chairppta@gmail.com or register your interest on our Facebook page, CV Runners. You can also catch us in the playground most days – Andy John (Yr2), Simon Gardner (Yrs 1 and 5) and Hannah Eno (Yr2).

To sign up for the run, you also need to register with the organisers (Great Run) - go to https://www.greatrun.org/great-birmingham-10k Entry costs £28 and must be paid by the runner (this fee does not go to the School). We hope you'll join us - get fit, meet people and have fun!

TRAINING SESSIONS WILL START ON MARCH 7th—More information to follow….

The group have already raised over £1000 for our wildlife and sensory garden which is fantastic—you can sponsor using the following link https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/chadvaleppta

National Online Safety

7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety

#WakeUpWednesday

1 Which apps/games are you using at the moment?

THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON THEIR DEVICES, ALONG WITH THEIR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TELL YOU EVERYTHING THEY ARE USING, SO IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO ASK THEM TO SHOW YOU THEIR DEVICE. BECAUSE NEW APPS AND GAMES ARE RELEASED REGULARLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.

2 Which websites do you enjoy using and why?

AS IN THE TIP ABOVE, ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGE POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. ASK THEM HOW THEY USE THE WEBSITES, AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY, ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.

3 How does this game/app work? Can I play?

SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WHILST YOU ARE PLAYING A GAME OR USING AN APP WITH THEM, IT MIGHT HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A DANGER TO THEM. IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH YOU, QUESTION WHY.

4 Do you have any online friends?

CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS HAS BECOME MORE COMMON THANKS TO ONLINE MULTI-PLAYER OPTIONS, BUT THEY MAY NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FRIEND AND A STRANGER. YOU COULD MAKE THE QUESTION MORE SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD, FOR EXAMPLE- "HAVE YOU MET ANYONE ONLINE THAT YOU LIKE TO PLAY GAMES WITH?" THEY MAY NOT WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU, SO ENSURE YOU TEACH THEM ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.

5 Do you know where to go for help?

ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE DUE TO CONFUSION OR EMBARRASSMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THEY MAY STRUGGLE TO APPROACH THE NORMAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HELP, SUCH AS YOURSELF OR A TEACHER. HAVE A CHAT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT EXACTLY WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.

6 Do you know what your personal information is?

YOUR CHILD MAY ALREADY KNOW WHAT THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS BUT THEY MIGHT NOT THINK ABOUT HOW IT CAN BE SHARED. HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION IS AND HOW THIS CAN AFFECT THEM IF IT IS SHARED BEYOND THE INTENDED RECIPIENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD UNDERSTANDS THE DANGERS OF SHARING CONTACT DETAILS OR PHOTOS, AS INFORMATION SUCH AS THIS CAN SPREAD QUICKLY ONLINE.

7 Do you know your limits?

CHILDREN MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF DEVICE OR GAME ADDICTION. TALK TO THEM OPENLY ABOUT HEALTHY HABITS AND ASK WHETHER OR NOT THEM SPENDING TIME ONLINE OR PLAYING A GAME IS AFFECTING THEIR SLEEP, PERFORMANCE AT SCHOOL OR IF THEY ARE GENERALLY LOSING INTEREST IN OTHER ACTIVITIES. YOU MAY LEAD ON TO ENCOURAGING ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSING THE INTRODUCTION OF TIME LIMITS WHEN AT HOME.

BAKE SALE

15 February

In the school playground at the end of the day on behalf of:

Little Hearts Matter

Supporting every step of the half a heart journey

Please bake and bring to reception in the morning

CHAD VALE PPTA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Little Hearts Matter is a national UK charity offering help to anyone affected by the diagnosis of single ventricle heart condition.

Diary Dates 2018-19: please also check the online diary on our website

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	11th Feb	pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday	13th Feb	9-12	Y5/6 trip to Lordswood Girls to watch performance
Friday	13th Feb	3.30pm	PPTA Bake Sale on behalf of Little Hearts Matter—donations appreciated
Friday	15th Feb	3.30pm	BREAK UP HALF TERM
Monday	25th Feb	All day	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday	26th Feb	8.45am	Back to school
Monday	4th March	4-6.30pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday	6th March	4-6.30pm	Parents' Evening
Thursday	7th Mar	All day	World Book Day
Monday	11th Mar	All Week	British Science Week
Tuesday	12th Mar	am	Y5 to visit mosque
Wednesday	13th Mar	am	Food for Thought Workshops Y4
Wednesday	20th Mar	All day	Y2 trip to Cadbury World (TBC)
Tuesday	26th Mar	All day	Y6 trip to Galleries of Justice
Monday	1st April	pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Friday	5th April	am	Generation Ladywood Rehearsal
Friday	12th April	3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR EASTER
Monday	29th April	All day	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday	30th April	8.45am	Back to school
Friday	24th May	3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
Monday	3rd June	8.45am	Back to school
Thurs	6th June	All day	Y5 to Sarehole Mill (TBC)
Monday	10th June	All week	Art Week
Thursday	13th June	All day	Class Photos Day
Friday	12th July	All day	Spanish Day
Friday	19th July	3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR SUMMER
Monday	2nd Sep	All day	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday	3rd Sep	8.45am	Back to school

WELL DONE

6C, 5V, 2V, 1C

IMPROVEMENT REQUIRED

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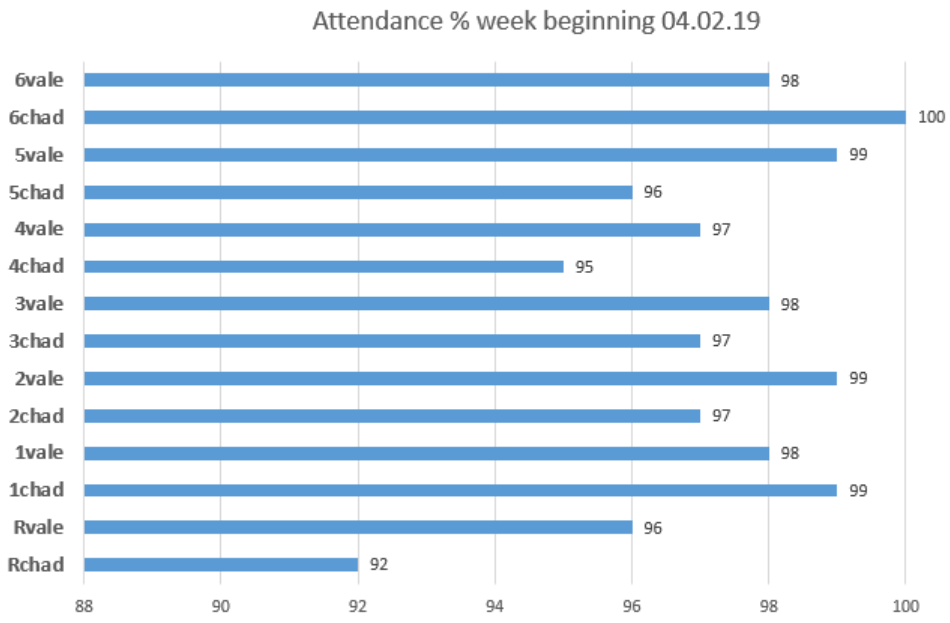

Whole School Attendance YEAR TO DATE 96.9%

Whole School Attendance THIS WEEK 97.2%

PPTA NEWS JANUARY 2019

Chad Vale PPTA is open to all parents and carers and we welcome any ideas and help for our fundraising activities. All our activities provide much needed funds for the school and help to enhance the experiences of both children and staff. Meetings are held once a term and are advertised via Marvellous Me and the school newsletter.

The PPTA committee for the 2018-19 year is:

Chair:	Hannah Eno
Vice Chair:	Becky Swindells
Secretary:	vacant
Treasurer:	Emma King
Publicity:	Ali Robinson
Sponsorship:	Hannah Eno, Amy McLauchlan

If you have an active WhatsApp group in your class, we encourage communication between yourselves about homework and trips, parties and PPTA activities! Please note these groups should remain mindful of the School's values of respect and tolerance. Any constructive criticism or concerns about your child's education should always be directed to your children's teachers.

This year we have raised:

Lollipop sales	£165.50
Uniform sales	£68.95
Hallowe'en Disco	£434.87
Hallowe'en cake sale	£337.70
Santa's Grotto	£625.18
Christmas Hampers	£375.94
Sweet Sale	£123.94

With your generous help we have also raised the following for charities:

Macmillan	£177.35
Children in Need	£385.49

This year we are supporting:

New books in classes across school
Living Eggs for Reception, Years 1 and 2
Choir tuition for Years 3, 4 and
Dance classes for Year 4
Class library in Year 5
A children's author to read to children
Fabric for decorating the hall during celebrations
Year 6 hoodies and final show
Stage lighting improvements in main hall

We are currently considering a number of exciting proposals from the school and welcome input from parents and carers!

Forthcoming events Spring/Summer:

Valentine's cake sale (fundraising for Little Hearts Matter) – 15 February

KS1 Easter Disco and Bonnet competition - date tbc

Chad Vale Runners do the Birmingham 10K (parents and staff welcome) – 26 May

Children's quiz – date tbc

Parent/staff quiz night – date tbc

Summer fete – July date tbc

If you want to get running for the Birmingham 10k in May please join our group CV Runners on Facebook or register your interest with chairppta@gmail.com We'll be training from school at least once a week and you'll get to know other parents/carers as well as raising money for the school!

Everything we achieve is thanks to our amazing PPTA team, and all the teachers and staff who help make it happen - and every one of you who have participated in or supported our events! THANK YOU!!

THIS WAY TO GET IN TOUCH

Contact: Hannah Eno
chairppta@gmail.com

Walk to School Active Journey League Table

W/b 28th Jan 19	1C	1V	2C	2V	3C	3V	4C	4V	5C	5V	6C	6V
Active Journeys to school for the week	135	79	4	102	17	27	53	24	108	89	24	0
Final total Active Journeys to school for January	335	192	50	255	135	71	77	71	449	162	136	0

Mr Clark says: "Congratulations to 5C. Lots of classes showed a marked improvement. Remember, next month, the class with the best improvement will win the extra Goldentime! Brlng it on, 5C!