

The Cheddington Link 18th July 2025



Cheddington Combined School

Enjoying our learning, sharing our success

Welcome to our bumper end-of-year Cheddington Link!

The Lion King - Year 6 Production

The only word I can think of is 'Wow'! Our Giraffe class did an outstanding performance of The Lion King at The Cottesloe School last week. They performed again this week for the whole school and it was such a joy to see just how much they all enjoyed it. The recording is still available to buy - a big thank you to Ben Baldwin for providing his videoing expertise!

Bella - Cheddington School Dog

As you know, Bella has had a period of ill health and has been resting at home this half term. After lots of consultation with the vets, we have made the difficult decision to retire her from her work at school. She has been an amazing school dog and the whole school community have enjoyed having her here. We may look into inviting another school dog in over time but we will let you know.

Ms Dell

Our lovely art teacher, Ms Dell will be leaving us next week. Ms Dell has had a huge impact on the art work across the school and I would like to take the opportunity to thank her for all her hard work. She

is leaving to pursue her dream job of upholstery so if anyone is in need of any projects, we can put you in touch!

Mrs Evans and Mrs Hill

We are really excited to be welcoming Mrs Evans to Cheddington in September. Mrs Evans is a very experienced teacher and will be working in Year 2 - Cheetah class next year.

Mrs Hill has been working at Cheddington for the past 18 months as a tutor for small groups and 1:1 work. We are thrilled that she will be joining us as our Year 4 - Tiger class teacher from September, alongside Mrs Gallacher. Mrs Hill is also a very experienced class teacher. She is really looking forward to teaching Tigers and can't wait for the residential to Grafham - a trip she has previous led in her last school.

Support the PTA at the Cheddington Village Fete

It was wonderful to see the choir perform at the Village Fete last Saturday. They sang beautifully. Thank you Mrs Hopper and Miss Bateman for being there to support them. It was lovely to see so many children and families there.

PTA Colour Run 2025

After the success of last year's Colour Run, the PTA will be holding another on Wednesday 23rd July, once the children have finished for the summer holidays.

A permission/waiver form will be coming home with children next week.

Timings to help planning are below, based on a 1:30pm finish:

Year R – 1:35-1:45pm

Years 1 and 2 – 1:45 - 2pm

Years 3 and 4 – 2-2:15pm

Years 5 and 6 – 2:15-2:30pm

Entry is priced £6 for families and parents/carers are encouraged to participate. Non-school attending siblings are welcome to take part after the timed runs, we would welcome donations for any additional runners on the day.

Should you be happy for your child to participate you will need to sign and return the waiver form. Anyone participating must wear protective eyewear - sunglasses, goggles etc - regardless of age.

We hope you can join us to end the school year in style!

The PTA Committee

Brass lessons - next academic year

Dear parents and guardians,

From September I have a few spaces for children to learn a brass instrument. This could be a trumpet, cornet, baritone, tenor horn, euphonium or trombone. I can lend out some instruments for the first few months and also the beginner book. Lessons can be in pairs or individual, £10 for 20 minutes, in school time. The price has remained the same for several years to encourage take up. Children benefit immensely from learning an instrument, it helps concentration, self esteem and spills over into many areas of life. Children who have learnt previously have gone on to play in bands and orchestras and take grades if they want to.

Please email me preferably before September at katiecornetplayer@googlemail.com for more information and to sign up,

Have a wonderful summer,

Kate Nathan, Brass teacher

Thank you

A huge thank you to all of our families for your support this academic year. We have achieved so much together and I am incredibly proud.

I always like to take a moment of reflection at the end of year to remind ourselves of how much we have done. Here are just a few highlights:

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- *Launched our HEART Values*

- *BMX visit*
- *Remembrance on the green*
- *Zoo Christmas decoration workshop*
- *Buttons Pre-school opened*
- *Grand Community Day*
- *Children In Need Gladiator themed day (with parent obstacle race too!)*
- *KS2 trip to the Panto, KS1 met Father Christmas*
- *Parents were invited to join our Christmas services at the church*
- *Christmas videos of the teachers being elves and reindeer!*
- *Launched the Governor HEART awards*
- *Launched our new school website*
- *Young Voices 2025*
- *Installed air-con units in our upstairs classrooms*
- *Comic Relief whole school joke competition*
- *Author visits, children's work being published in a book and whole school poetry assembly*
- *Amazing World Book Day*
- *Class assemblies*
- *Won the Mixed and Girls Football League Championships*
- *Football team played at MK Dons Stadium*
- *Sports Day*
- *Every year groups has taken part in Forest School*
- *Celebration of work evening*

- Lots of wonderful PTA events
- Year 6's production of *The Lion King* at The Cottesloe School

And that's just to name a few!

Which just leaves me to wish you all a very relaxing summer holiday. For our wonderful Giraffe class who are leaving the nest - you are ready! Continue being the awesome children that you are and we can't wait to hear about all your adventures.

For everyone coming back in September, we can't wait to see you for more learning and fun.

Mrs. Gilly Brown

Headteacher



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Dates for your diaries:

Every week we will include a rolling list of up and coming dates for your diaries:

Monday 21st July = 9am Governor Award assembly - invitation only

Wednesday 23rd July = Break up for Summer holidays. School ends at 1.30pm.

PTA Colour Run from 1.30pm

Thursday 4th September = School term start

Learner Of The Week





We're so proud that our Learners Of The Week are being recognised for displaying our school values - have a read below to find out how amazing they all are!

*Butterfly Class = Arrietta for showing **excellence** in her mark making and showing **teamwork** everyday.*

*Lion Class = Caitlin for all round **excellence**, **respect** and **teamwork**.*

*Cheetah Class = Aubrey for showing **excellence** in her written work. Showing a good understanding of the features she needs to use.*

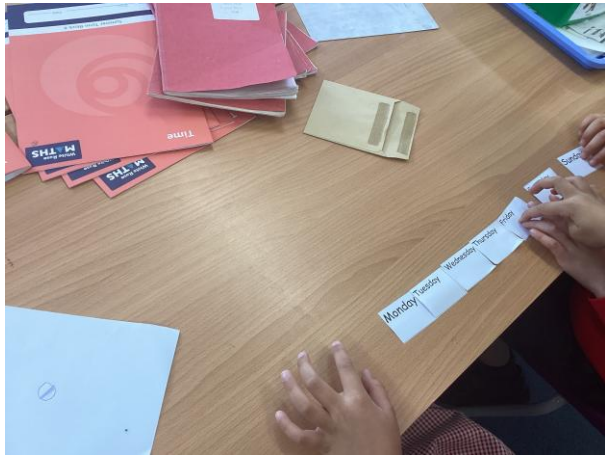
*Elephant Class = Arabella for **excellence** in her writing across the year. The progress and hard work is really showing. Well done!*

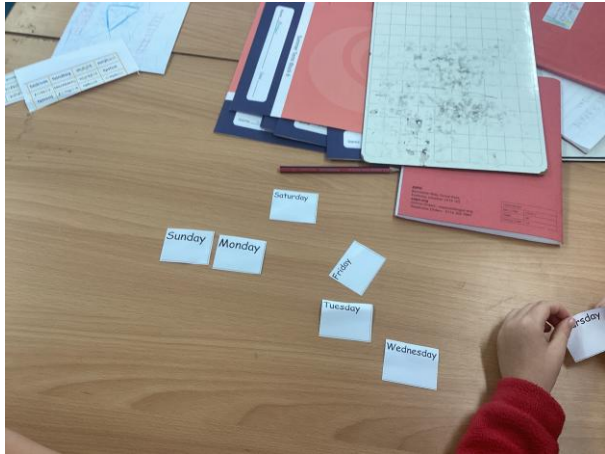
*Tiger Class = Abby for showing the HEART values throughout the year. She shows **excellence** in all her work - well done Abby!*

*Flamingo Class = Josh for **teamwork**, discussion and active participation in our science investigation to separate solids from liquids using filtration. Well done Josh :)*

*Giraffe Class = Jack R Smith for his **excellent** back stage management during of our production of 'The Lion King'. He showed fantastic **teamwork** with Year 9 Cottesloe students to produce the sound and lighting for the performance. Superb work Jack!*







Year 1 - Programming II - Programming animations
Lesson 8 - Space lesson

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Teacher activity sheet

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Lesson 7 - Project design

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