

30th June 2022

Dear Parents,

School news:

Thank you to all parents and family members who were able to come to support the children at Sports Day last Monday. The atmosphere was wonderful, with all children showing fantastic sportsmanship. Congratulations to Beacon House who won both KS1 and KS2 competitions. The children really enjoyed Sports Week and the various new activities which they had the opportunity to try – the skipping workshop, dodgeball and volleyball with Game On, and their time with MK Dons.

It has been so wonderful to have been able to have welcomed some of you into school this week for the Share the Learning sessions for YR, Y5 and Y6. We look forward to the additional Y1 session and the remainder of the YR sessions. We have so missed being able to involve you more closely with the school, and are looking forward to continuing to develop this next academic year.

Y1 are excited to be visiting the Buckinghamshire Museum next week as part of their learning; and KS2 will be welcoming the author Olaf Falafel.

Next Tuesday is Buckinghamshire transfer day. The majority of our Y6 children will be visiting their new secondary schools, and our morning session in school will be spent in the children's new classroom for September. I will be sending a message out on Tuesday to you to confirm staff teams for the new academic year, as there are some changes and the details are still to be finalised. We will also be welcoming our new YR children and their parents at 10:15am.

Vacancy:

We are seeking to recruit for September a member of the support staff team to work in the classroom to support the learning, mainly working 1:1 or with a small group. If you, or someone you know, is interested, please note the attached advertisement. If you would like further details, or to apply, please do contact the school office by email to office@cheddington.bucks.sch.uk, by phone 01206 668324, or in person. We would love to hear from you.

Keeping safe on-line:

As we are approaching the holidays, I thought it might be helpful for parents of some of our older children to be aware of the dangers of TikTok. Please do take a moment if you can to increase your awareness from the following links:

Parents' Ultimate Guide to TikTok (Commonsense Media)

<https://www.common sense media.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok>

TikTok app safety – What parents need to know (Internet Matters)

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

Updates from the PTA:

Ice Cream Fridays

We hope you've all been enjoying Ice Cream Fridays, the weather has certainly got us all in the mood for something cold come the end of the week! Ice lollies will be on sale again this Friday immediately after collection in the playground from 3.15pm.

End of Term Disco

The PTA are happy to confirm the discos will take place in the School Hall on Friday 15th July. KS1 will be 4.45pm-5.45pm, with KS2 following shortly after 6pm-7pm.

Entry is payable on the door, by cash, SumUp or by scanning a QR code. £4 per child or £6 for a family ticket.

Please note an emergency contact number will need to be left when your child enters the School Hall. The PTA Committee working across the evening will be on hand to take details down.

Family Fun Day

Plans are progressing well for the Family Fun Day taking place on Saturday 16th July at Cheddington Recreation Ground. There will be a football match between Cheddington and Long Marston Dads kicking off at 3.30pm with lots of fun to keep the children entertained with garden games, rounders, face painting and more. A gourmet pizza truck and ice lollies will be available to purchase, along with hot and cold drinks plus a licenced bar.

The fun will run from 3pm-7pm, with an entry fee of £2 per adult – children go free. If you can spare any time on the day to help it run smoothly, the PTA would warmly welcome volunteers. You can sign up by visiting <https://volunteersignup.org/84PMD>

Summer Craft Bags

The PTA will be organising Summer Craft Bags to entertain children as they head into the summer holidays! With craft and quizzes included, the bags will be available to purchase from the playground at collection time on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July.

The bags are priced £3, and all proceeds go to funding school resources, facilities and experiences for the children.

Share the Learning:

We are delighted to invite parents to visit their children in their classrooms. The children will be able to share their books and activities with you at this time. All sessions will be from 2:40pm until 3:10pm. We hope that many of you will be able to attend, but we do understand that work commitments may make this impossible for you to do so.

Y1 –Wednesday 6th July

YR – each Wednesday afternoon of the half term at 2:40pm (You are welcome to attend as many or as few weeks as is convenient for you.)

Upcoming dates:

In addition to the Share the Learning dates, please note the following dates for your diary:

5th July – Buckinghamshire transfer day (please note this is on Tuesday 5th not Thursday 7th)

7th July – Y1 visit to the Buckinghamshire Museum

8th July – Y5 parents invited to the Y5 performance at 2:25pm

15th July – YR parents invited to a special assembly at 2:40pm

20th July – Y6 parents invited to the Leavers Assembly at 9:00am

Meet the Teacher meetings in September which take place at 2:45pm till 3:10pm are an opportunity for you to see your child's new classroom, receive information about the planned curriculum and to meet the team who will be working with your child:

Y1 Tuesday 6th September

Y2 Thursday 8th September

Y3 Monday 12th September

Y4 Friday 9th September

Y5 Wednesday 7th September

Y6 Tuesday 13th September

Cheddington Combined School



Vacancy – Support Assistant – Full-time, term time only

38 weeks, 8.20am- 3.20pm

Bucks pay Range 1 or 2 dependent on experience (£18,500 - £20,253 FTE, £13,400-£14,700 actual)

Are you passionate about children's learning?

We are a one form entry village school with a lovely, large site which includes a sensory garden and a forest schools area. We are seeking an enthusiastic SA to work in the classroom to support the learning, mainly working 1:1 or with a very small group.

The role is for five days per week; based in the classroom from 8:20 am to 12.25pm, and 1.45pm until 3.20pm, plus lunchtime cover.

We are a friendly, welcoming team. We offer training to all our staff to develop skills and enable us to deliver the best possible outcomes for the children in our care. Could you be the person to join us?

For further details and an application form please contact the School Office on 01296 668324 or by email office@cheddington.bucks.sch.uk.

We regard the safeguarding and well-being of our children as paramount, and therefore an enhanced DBS check of the successful applicant will be required. References will be taken prior to interview.

Closing date for applications: 15th July

Interviews week commencing: 18th July

Working together to achieve our potential

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