Cheddington Combined School

NEWSLETTER



Friday, 5 April 2019

Reminders
Safeguarding Lead
Urgent Information
Cross Country
UK Air Ambulance Appea
MK Dons Easter Holiday
Course

Tring Park Cricket Club

Channel 4 Rescue Dog

Head Teacher's Remarks

This is the last newsletter of the term. The children look fabulous today in their spectrum of colour; and we thank you for your donations to the National Autistic Society. This has been a long and very busy term for the children and I am sure they are looking forward to some relaxation time over the Easter break.

I would like to start by expressing my congratulations to our Cross Country

UK Air Ambulance Appeal team who represented the school at Waddesdon Manor on Saturday 23rd March.

MK Dons Easter Holiday

Course

I would like to start by expressing my congratulations to our Cross Country

team who represented the school at Waddesdon Manor on Saturday 23rd March.

Details are given later in the newsletter, and we are very proud of all the children who participated. A very special well done to the boys' team, who won overall.

On 27th March Y2 visited Bletchley Park as part of their History learning. They had an amazing day and were a credit to the school and to their parents. They have produced some very thoughtful and detailed work, which it has been a pleasure to share.

Y6 visited Waddesdon Manor on Friday 29th March as part of the Finch Project they are studying as part of Science. The team from the Manor had worked with the children in school the previous week, so they are becoming increasingly knowledgeable about avian conservation.

It was a pleasure to meet with Y3 parents last Tuesday evening about the Y4 visit to Woodrow. This is always a fun residential for the children, and one on which they learn many skills.

Yesterday the whole school enjoyed our Palm and Easter Service at St Giles Church. Our thanks to the church for welcoming us as we paused to reflect on this time of year. Then, in the afternoon, Y1 welcomed their parents to afternoon tea, and to admire their work from this term. The children had been busy baking scones, and we were grateful to parents who also contributed cakes. It was a lovely occasion and atmosphere – well done Y1.

I am delighted to share with you that 98% of the school will come home with a behaviour certificate today, 92% being gold. Very well done children for the good choices made this half term. Two classes in the school are celebrating having had no-one receive a behaviour card this half term, which is indicative of the way in which our children are learning to manage their choices. Well done everyone.

As you will see later in the newsletter after Easter we will be starting to recycle stamps in aid of the UK Air Ambulance. We do hope that you will help us to collect stamps to send to this worthy cause. Please note the details to ensure the stamps can be used. We are also supporting a village initiative by collecting any foreign or unwanted UK currency for humanitarian aid for refugees in Europe. Thank you for your support for these two worthy causes.

It has been brought to my attention that some children are cycling and scooting to school without wearing appropriate protective equipment. Although helmets are not the law of the land we do specify on the paperwork for the children's cycle or scooter licence that such equipment should be worn. A helmet can literally save a life, and we will keep a close eye on this moving forward as more children may be cycling/scooting in the warmer weather. May I also remind everyone that the children (and younger siblings) should not be cycling/scooting on the school playground for the safety of all children and adults. Thank you.

I am sure you will have noted from the school calendar that May 13th is the start of our summer assessment week – just two and a half weeks into next half term. Please could we request that medical appointments etc are not arranged for that week, as it is better for the children to take their tests and complete special tasks with their peers. Thank you. The week following is a special Arts week, and you are cordially invited to pop into school from 8:45am to 9:30am on Thursday 23rd May to see some of the work the children will have been doing. The first half of next term will fly by as it is only a few weeks, however the second half of term is much longer. Please note that summer term does not end until Wednesday 24th July.

I do hope you all enjoy a pleasant time over the Easter Weekend. I am hoping that the weather will warm up again for us all. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Wednesday 24th April.

Mrs K. Tamlyn Head Teacher

<u>Reminders</u>	Safeguarding Lead on duty
Thursday, 25th April - No Choir	Wednesday - Mrs Tamlyn
All School Clubs start w/c 29th April.	Thursday - Mrs Tamlyn
	Friday - Mrs Tamlyn

<u>URGENT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS</u>

Could we please ask parents not to send e-mails to the school if your child is ill or going home with another child etc as the School Office is very busy first thing in the mornings and again at 3pm. A short written note to the office would be preferable, as it would ensure we are aware of this information. Staff do not always have the time to read e-mails first thing and may not be looked at during the afternoon. We receive a huge number of e-mails and it takes a long time to read these.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Cross Country

On Saturday 23rd March the Bucks Schools Cross Country event was held in the beautiful grounds of Waddesdon Manor. We were able to field strong teams in both the Y3/4 and Y5/6 races across a gruelling course and returned to Cheddington triumphantly, in possession of no less than 5 individual medals and the Y5/6 Boys Team winners trophy. Many thanks and huge congratulations to everyone of our runners, parents and volunteers who helped the morning run so smoothly. It really was a fantastic result and we were delighted with the determination, performance and excellent team spirit shown by our pupils.



UK Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal

The School would like to support the UK Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal. This is a charity which receives no Government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies. They can recycle your used postage stamps into funds to help this vital service.

All kinds of stamps are welcome, on or off paper. You just need to leave no more than a 5mm single thickness border around them and the perforations should not be damaged.

There will be a box in the entrance hall after the Easter holidays to collect these.

Thank you for your support.

Easter Holiday Course

Fun Games, Tournaments and themed Sessions

Week 1: 8 - 12 April

Week 2: 15 - 18 April

Pro Camp: 10am - 3pm

Mini Kickers: 10am - 12pm



Special promotion for Week 2: Sign up and receive a ticket to MK Dons v Port Vale on Monday 22nd April.

MK Dons Training Ground, Woughton on the Green MK6 3EA

Please see their website for more information

TRING PARK CRICKET CLUB
JUNIORS OPEN DAY
SUN APRIL 7 1PM – 3PM



Everyone welcome!

- Fun outside activities
- Discounted kit
- Details of social event and T20 cricket, suitable for all.

Stay on and enjoy Watford v Wolves in the FA Cup semi-final from 4pm!

Tring Park Cricket Club

London Road

Tring

The School have been approached by Channel 4 who are looking for people who are interested in rehoming a rescue dog and participating in their television programme. If you are thinking of adding to your family, we thought you may be interested in this!

IS THERE SPACE ON YOUR SOFA FOR A RESCUE DOG?

If you want to re-home a dog but don't know where to start, a new primetime TV series would really like to hear from you!

Contact us at rescuedog@fivemilefilms.co.uk

We've teamed up with Wood Green, the Animals Charity to offer expert matching and lifelong support to people with love and care to offer a rescue dog.

We'll be filming from the end of April through to the beginning of June in Cambridgeshire.

