



School Newsletter – Wednesday 18th December 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have reached the end of a very busy term. We had some magnificent celebrations for Christmas and we are all very proud of our children for performing so well in the various plays and concerts. Key Stage 1 and EYFS did very well in their nativity of 'The Inn-spectors', which provided many comedy moments! Key Stage 2 were fabulous in the Carol Service – the singing gets better and better each year! Another big thank you to the PTA for all of their support this term with the various school events.

Please see below for various notices and reminders for next term. May I take the opportunity to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. I hope you all have a wonderful time! I look forward to seeing you all again on **Monday 6th January 2020**.

Mr R. Boyjoonauth
Principal

Message from Chair of Governors

"Term 1 & 2 has certainly flown by, with many fun events such as STEAM Week, Harvest Festival, and Christmas Celebrations plus much more. The Governors and I would like to wish those staff who are leaving us good luck in your new adventures, as well as wishing all Teachers, Staff, Parents / Carers and Children a wonderful festive season and we look forward to welcoming you all back in January"

Mr N Shorthouse | Chair of Governors

School Times: Punctuality

Being prompt and ready for school is a vital part of being a pupil at Chattenden. You are kindly reminded that the school gates open at 8.45am and children are allowed to come straight into class. Children **must** be in school by **8.55am** as registration takes place at this time. After this time, children will have to report to the school office, where their lateness will be recorded. Individual classes will be rewarded for 100% punctuality, so it is in everybody's interest to be on time! School finishes at 3.20pm. Please note that the school office hours are between 8.45am and 3.45pm (**closed between 12pm & 1pm**).



PE

A gentle reminder that pupils will need their full PE kit for next term, including navy jogging bottoms and jogging tops, so that they can keep warm when doing PE outside. Please ensure PE kits are washed over the holidays!

Swimming

Year 5 will commence swimming on Monday 13th January. However, if you wish to prepare over the Christmas period, your child will need a one-piece costume and/or swimming shorts. All children must have swimming goggles.

Dancing New Year Treat!

Dancing has become very popular at Chattenden thanks to the fabulous Mrs. Dallamore-Hynd. As a dancing treat, we have invited the fantastic Don Rae for a pantomime treat on Wednesday 8th January 2020.

Uniform

Please ensure that children are all wearing full school uniform in the New Year, including school shoes (no trainers). A reminder please that ties are compulsory in Year 6.

Safeguarding

No doubt over the Christmas period children will be using various smart technologies and electronic games. A few gentle reminders on how to keep your children safe:

- 1) If your child uses Snapchat, ensure that the Ghost Mode is on, so that the location of the device holder cannot be detected by others.
- 2) If your child uses YouTube, please ensure that the 'Restricted Mode' is switched on.
- 3) If your child uses X-Box, under Family Settings, adults are able to set the device so that if a request comes in, it comes to the nominated adult for approval.

We hope you will find these tips useful. Further useful advice can be found on the NSPCC website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/technology-toys-and-the-internet/>

Dates for the Diary

Monday 6th January 2020

Wednesday 8th January 2020

Tuesday 14th January 2020

Thursday 16th January 2020

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Thursday 23rd January 2020

Thursday 30th January 2020

Thursday 30th January 2020

Friday 7th February 2020

Tuesday 11th February 2020

Thursday 13th February 2020

Friday 14th February 2020

First day of Term 3 – all children return to school

New Year Pantomime – Don Rae

Library Van

MYG Swimming

PTA New Year Disco

Young Voices, O2, London

Panther Class Assembly

Primary School Games (Years 3 & 4)

Parent Read – 2:30pm

Library Van

MYG Table Tennis

Last day of Term 3 – 3:20pm finish