



## School Newsletter – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are half way through our term and it has been a very hectic few weeks, lots of exciting things happening! Trips to London, Workshops in school, winning a Mini Youth Games competition...simply wonderful!!

**Mr R. Boyjoonauth**  
**Principal**

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### **Matilda and George's Marvelous Medicine**

KS2 Children had an absolutely marvelous time going up to the West End in London to see the Matilda Musical last Wednesday! It was a truly magical experience and the children had a spectacular time. It is so awe inspiring to see a high-quality West End production and our children really benefitted from the experience. A great deal of Roald Dahl themed activities have been taking place this term (World Book Day was great fun!) and we are getting ready for our exhibition on 27<sup>th</sup> March.

KS1 and Reception class had actors in, who ran a George's Marvellous Medicine themed workshop! They also had a great time, watching a mini-production and then engaging in a workshop. The children have produced some brilliant writing based on the book – great inspiration to stimulate those brain cells!

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### **TAG Rugby**

A massive well done to the KS2 Tag Rugby team who won the Tag Rugby Mini Youth Games on Thursday! A hearty congratulations to them! This is the second time we have won the trophy! Well done!

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### **SEND Department**

Please note that Mrs Laker formally left the school on 2<sup>nd</sup> March. She left for personal reasons, due to a close bereavement in the family, as well as the long travel to work from her home. We would like to thank Mrs Laker for her hard work during her time here at Chattenden.

Mrs Carpenter and myself continue to oversee the SEND department and we have a nominated SENCO from another academy. Any SEND enquiries should come to me in the first instance.

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### **Coronavirus**

We are living in somewhat uncertain times and it is hard not to be immersed in the constant news feeds and information on social media about the virus. This is a challenge for our country and our community. It is important that we remain sensible, calm and take the necessary precautionary measures as advocated by the Government.

The academy will remain open until such time that I receive an instruction from Public Health England that we must close. We have a business contingency plan in place and this was approved by Governors last week. We have measures in place in the event of school closing, and we will be delivering learning online to our pupils by posting learning on our website. Our children will also be provided with an exercise book for them to do their home learning in.

As Principal, I continue to monitor on a daily basis the updates from Central Government and Public Health England and am in close touch with officers at the Local Authority. I will have to make decisions about future school events and I will inform you of this closer to the relevant time. We continue to follow our hygienic practices here at school and there is plenty of soap and hand gel for the children to use!

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## **Dates for the Diary**

Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Years 1 & 2 – Multi Skills
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Roald Dahl Exhibition – 2:50pm in the school hall
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Pegasus (Year R) Class Assembly
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	MYG Netball
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	PTA Spring Disco
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Last Day of Term 4 – 2pm finish
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	First Day of Term 5 – children return to school
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Library Van
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	May Bank Holiday – school closed
w/c Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SAT's week
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Last Day of Term 5 – 3:20pm finish
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	First Day of Term 6