

23rd October 2020



Dear Chagford families,

It certainly has been a very different type of term! Staggered start and ends to the day, children sitting in rows in class, playtime zones, lunches in class, assemblies outside or on line when it's been too cold! And of course washing and sanitising our hands. The children have coped really well with the new routines and I am very proud of them. Thank you very much to our staff who are working hard to teach in ways which are fun as well as keeping to our risk assessment guidance and for taking on additional lunch and playtime duties to make sure our children are supervised in their bubbles. As always, a big thank you to our kitchen, office and cleaning staff who work hard to keep the school running safely and efficiently. Our staff really are a credit to our school and they all deserve a week off to put their feet up!

Lunches from 2nd November – 18th December 2020

Please find attached the Lunch Menu for children in Pre-School, Reception, Years 1 & 2 for the second half of the Autumn Term (2nd November-18th December 2020). We are pleased to be able to continue to offer these children the hot food options. Parents do not need to book these ahead of time via School Gateway; please just pay into your child's School Gateway lunches account and we will draw against this as usual. Children will be able to inform their teachers at Registration in the morning as to which option they would like. I am afraid that we are not yet in a position to be able to offer hot meals to children in Years 3-6 but we are able to offer them the sandwich options – cheese, egg, tuna or ham on wholemeal bread with salad and oven baked crisps. Again, please pay via School Gateway and the children can inform their teacher at Registration as to which sandwich they would like.

Please remember to let the School Office know (via SIMS Parent or email admin@chagford-primary.devon.sch.uk) if your child has any special dietary requirements or allergies – it is imperative that we have this information recorded.

Please be assured that appropriate hygiene practices will be in place for children using the school hall for dining, and bubbles (classes) of children will continue to be kept separate.

Clubs

As you are aware, we now have our before and after school provision in the form of extracurricular activity clubs and these have proved very popular. Unfortunately, as some of these e.g. Dressmaking, involve project work and are at capacity, we are unable to open these clubs up again until Spring Term. The other Clubs are now open for bookings, please note that this is first come first served and there are limits on numbers for health & safety reasons. If you attended previously, you will need to book again.

There is a charge of £3.75 which will be used to support school funds for extracurricular resources, payable in advance. We are always looking for local volunteers to support us, so if you have a passion or talent, please get in touch! At the moment we do have restrictions regarding visitors, volunteers and mixing groups, but we hope this will not be long term. For the second half of term we are offering:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00am – 9.00am	Sports - Saints	Running Club	Dance	Den building	Pancake Club
3.30pm - 4.30pm	Baking Sports -Saints	British Sign Language Chess KS2	<i>Dressmaking (fully booked)</i> Y3 Football	Art Y6 Netball	Creative Writing Y6 Football with Craig

All Clubs need to be booked and paid for via School Gateway with the exception of Craig's Y6 football on a Friday afternoons and Saints Sports Clubs on Monday mornings and afternoons. To sign up your Y6 child for Craig's football you will need to contact him directly. Please contact Miss Jackson in the School Office if you do not already have his phone number.

To sign up for Saints on a Monday please go to <https://saints-southwest.class4kids.co.uk/> and for all other clubs please go to School Gateway.

End of term and half term events

Please see attached posters with details about the Bingo tonight and the half term Pumpkin Hunt. Thank you again to the parents who have taken time to organise these events.

From the PTFA

Get involved this half-term with the Chagford **'Spot the Pumpkin' trail!**

There are 22 businesses around town taking part by putting up a cheeky little pumpkin in their windows. You can print off the form at home by following the link below, or if this isn't possible there will be some forms available in Black's Deli. The trail runs from Saturday 24th October until Sunday 1st November. Simply find all the pumpkins, fill in the form and return to Black's Deli (during their opening hours) or return to school after half term. You will be entered into the prize draw for the chance of winning one of four prizes! The draw will take place on November 5th.

This is a fun event to bring a little joy around half-term and Halloween for the children, we are just asking for any donations towards the PTFA https://www.chagford-primarieschool.org/uploads/8/0/6/1/80615962/pumpkin_trail_form_chagford_2020.pdf

I wish you all a very good half term holiday and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 2nd November.

All the very best,
Tara Penny
Head of School