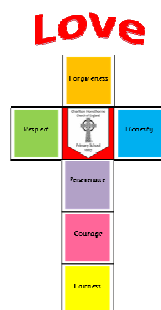


Charlton Horethorne CE VA Primary School

Learning together in friendship and faith



Newsletter Number 5

Monday 14th November 2016

As part of our school self-evaluation and drive to improve the provision for the children last week I sent out a questionnaire to the Reception parents regarding the process of transition from pre-school to our school. As you can see from the results, all parents are happy with the way their child completed the transition process. In addition all parents are very happy with the way their child has settled into school, is looked after and with the information we share with them. Thank you to all the parents who returned their questionnaire.

If you have any comment to these findings please feel free to share them with me.

We will be sending out our Annual Parents Questionnaire next term.

My child has experienced a positive and successful start to school.	10					
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Reception Questionnaire 2016/17 Intake

Summary 10/10 returned 100%

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know	NA
The open mornings/Chipmunks were beneficial in helping me decide to apply for this school	5	1			1	3
The induction sessions (stay and play) sessions were informative and helpful	10					
My child was visited at their pre-school setting and this helped my child's transition into school	9				1	
The starting arrangements i.e. coming to school full time worked for my child	9	1				
Dropping off and collecting my child from school is a positive experience and allows me to communicate with the teacher as necessary	9	1				

I am pleased with the communication between home and school.	8	2				
I feel my child is safe in school	10					
This school responds well to any concern I raise	8	2				
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	9	1				
I would recommend this school to another parent	10					

Comments:

I was very nervous about X starting school but I happily drop her off in the morning and have no worries throughout the day. I strongly recommend this school.

A seamless transition from pre-school to school thanks to the kindness and professionalism of the staff.

Overall extremely pleased with X's start at school. Very approachable staff, friendly and informative.

Pastoral and educational care is faultless.

Great communication and advanced planning ensured smooth transition. Close working relationship benefitted us all.

I can't be happier with X's school.

Great school, girls love it!

A shorter first week and a long weekend is needed mid-term as the first term is so long.

The staff and teachers are wonderful. My child has settled in far better than we could have hoped for.

Book at Bedtime



This Thursday we will be holding our first Book at Bedtime!

Your child/ren is very welcome to attend. They need to return to school at 6pm dressed in pyjamas, dressing gown and clutching their teddy! We will read and tell stories and give the children hot chocolate and a biscuit for supper.

All we ask is that you donate £1 per child to send to Children in Need and collect your child/ren promptly at 8pm.

Please complete the attached slip if you would like your child/ren to attend.

Thank You's and A Reminder!

A huge thank you to Basil Duddridge of Magna Metal Craft who has kindly put a beautiful supporting band around our school candle holder to stop the split growing any further. We can now put some packing around the candle itself to make it secure to use each morning in assembly. Basil creates many beautiful pieces for home and garden out of metal, some of which will be available for purchase at the Christmas Shopping Evening this Friday. Alternatively you can visit his website at www.magnametalcraft.co.uk

Many, many thanks to all who supported our cake sale last Friday, either by donating cakes or buying them. We made approximately £70 for the school.

Can I please take this opportunity to ask you to support the Christmas Shopping Evening this Friday and to return your raffle ticket stubs and money and any unsold raffle tickets by this Wednesday, 16 November. A huge amount of work has gone into organising this event so please encourage family and friends to attend.

Children in Need – we will be supporting this event on Friday 18 November. For a suggested donation of £1 children can come to school wearing spots in any form. There will also be a cake sale at break time – donations of cake would be much appreciated.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who attended Parents Evening last half term. We hope you found the meeting useful and informative. If you feel you need further information or require an update on your child's progress this half term please make an appointment to see the class teacher via the school office.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of unnamed uniform in our lost property box. Please feel free to search it for any missing items of clothing or use it to replace clothing your child may have lost.

Remembrance Service



Thank you to everyone who attended our Remembrance Day Service on Friday. I am sure you will agree the children were, once again, a credit to everyone. We hope you enjoyed their own Remembrance Day poetry and art work. The retiring collection for the Royal British Legion raised nearly £40.

Thank you.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

The following children have recognised by their teachers as being the stars of the week in their class. Well done to:

Leanna Noah George H Elsie Amalaya
Tamsin Gabriel Olivia H Thomas C-B Daniel
Will

Well done to you all!

Attendance in each class:

	Authorised	Unauthorised
Ladybirds:	95.5%	0.1%
Bees:	98.5%	0.1%
Dragonfly:	98.5%	

School Council

We are having a toy sale this Thursday, 17 November, so if you are having a clear out we would like some of your unwanted toys. We are trying to raise money for the school for trips and outings so please try and bring some of your unwanted toys. Thank you.

From Dan and Josh

PS They must be in good condition!

Dates for your diaries:

- 17 11 16 Book at Bedtime 6-8pm in the school hall
- 18 11 16 Children In Need Day
- 18 11 16 Christmas Shopping Evening 7-9pm in the Village Hall
- 25 11 16 Village Heritage Walk 10.30am outside the Village Shop
- 02 12 16 Treehouse Theatre Visit - Never, Never Land
- 08 12 16 Children singing to the Over 60's Club (Village Hall)
- 09 12 16 Christmas Craft and Activities
- 09 12 16 Christmas Breakfast
- 11 12 16 Christingle Service in the Church at 4pm
- 12 12 16 Open Dress Rehearsal 2pm
- 13 & 14 12 16 Christmas Production in the school hall 6pm
- 14 12 16 Carol singing outside the Village Shop
- 15 12 16 Christmas Lunch and Party
- 16 12 16 Carol Service at 1.45pm in the Church

BOOK AT BEDTIME

CHILD(REN)'S NAME(S)

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My child(ren) will be attending Book at Bedtime on Thursday 17
November from 6 - 8pm.

SIGNED

Emergency contact number: