

# Charlton Horethorne CE VA Primary School

## Newsletter Number 13

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### Lunchtimes

#### **New tables and Benches**

Our lunchtimes have been transformed this week! Our new tables and benches arrived last Friday and so this week we were able to finally use them and the difference they have made to the noise level and general atmosphere is just great. The children now have much more room to eat and they can also talk quietly to the people on their table.

This improvement would not have been possible without the wonderful support given by all the parents to our incredibly hard working FSA because they, very kindly, have funded the whole cost of the new tables and benches. Their efforts are very much appreciated.

#### **The old tables and benches**

We now have a number of old tables and benches spare! At the moment they are being stored in the hall, which unfortunately, is causing a health and safety issue, and Mr John is struggling to use the hall for PE. Therefore if anyone would like any of the tables and/or benches can you please see Mrs Vaughan in the office? They can be yours for a sensible donation! Alternatively if anyone can store them for us please let me know. Otherwise if they are still in situ next Friday I will arrange for them to be removed.

#### **Lunch choices**

A number of children, mainly those who have hot lunches, but not always, are not eating their meals. They are telling us that they don't like what has been chosen for them or what is in their sandwiches. Please be aware that we cannot make the children eat their lunch and consequently a number of them must be going home very hungry indeed. If you need to change your choices to ensure your child eats their lunch please see Mrs Vaughan in the office.

“We are much more spaced out, we love the bright, fun colours of the tables and the benches”. – Abigail Garrett Year 6

### **Our new altar cloth**

**Please pop into the Hall and have a look at our beautiful altar cloth.**

During one of our craft days at Christmas the older children all made a decorated felt candle showing one of our school values. Mrs Parsons (Henry and Fred's Mum) very kindly offered to sew them onto our school altar cloth. When you see the cloth I am sure you will agree that she has done the most fantastic job and the cloth looks truly amazing.

## **Craft and Reflection days**

Next week we are ending the term with three special off timetable days.

On **Wednesday** we are having a craft and prayer writing day. Then on **Thursday** we are celebrating Easter with a reflection day which will end with a short service, planned and delivered by the children. The theme of the reflection is 'agape' and the day is going to be led by Rev Sarah Godfrey. We have planned that the Y5 children will make and bake the bread to be used in the service but we do need volunteers to help them! The younger children will be making collage figures of Jesus and his disciples at the Last Supper. So if you have any spare material/wool we can use please send it in on Wednesday so we can prepare it for the children to use.

On **Friday** we will be awarding our Stars of the Term certificates, two per year group. We look forward to seeing you there.

**If you would like to work with the children either making the bread or completing their collages please let me know on Monday so I can add you to the planning! The more adults we have the better the experience for the children.**

## **Congratulations to Our Stars of the Week**

The following children have been recognised by their teachers as being the Stars of the Week in their class. Well done to:

Elodie, Benjamin, Henric, Gustav, Josh S, Alice, Abigail G,  
Olivia M, Noah, Amy, Amelia, Olivia H, Owen, Courtney

**Well done to you all!**

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

There will be no after school clubs next week (week beginning Monday 27 March). All clubs will recommence the week beginning Monday 24 April. All clubs finish promptly at 4pm. Please see below as there are some changes for the summer term. Unfortunately Sarafina has been unable to find a stand in dance teacher so there will be no dance club:

Monday	No clubs (staff meeting)
Tuesday	Rounders with Miss Hemborough Years 2 - 6
Wednesday	Art with Ms Churchward Years 1 - 2
Wednesday	RASC with Mrs Watkins Years 3 - 4 (please ask Mrs Watkins for explanation of abbreviation!)
Wednesday	Archery (see flyer sent home last week)
Thursday	Sports with Mr John Years R, 1, 2
Thursday	Recorder with Mrs Chapman Years 3 - 6
Friday	Sports with Mr John Years 3 - 6

Please complete and return the permission slip on the last page.

## **FSA EASTER BINGO**

Please come along and support this fundraising event on Thursday 30 March. Donations of Easter eggs and / or bottles for prizes would be much appreciated. Please leave in the hall kitchen by Friday 24 March.



## **Decorated Easter Egg Competition**

Entries can be any decorated Easter egg ie a real egg, cardboard, foam, put into a scene etc. Your egg could have a theme ie Egg Sheeran with his guitar .....?? Any theme, big or little, use your imagination. Decorated eggs to be brought into school on Friday 31 March (not before). There will be prizes!!



## **A Plea from Ladybird Class**

If you have any old action men/dolls and / or baby dolls and their clothes you would be prepared to give us, we would be extremely grateful.

Thank you

## **FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY**

All children in KS1 (that is from Reception to Year 2) are entitled to receive a free hot lunch every day.

However, free school meals are also available to children whose parents/carers receive any of the following:

Income support

Employment & support allowance (income related) – not contribution related

Income-based job seekers allowance – not contribution based

Guaranteed element of state pension credit

Support under Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Child tax credit, providing you do not also receive working tax credit, with an annual taxable income (as assessed by HMRC) of less than £16190

Universal credit

If you think you are eligible please see Mrs Vaughan in the school office and she will give you a form to complete. This will then be sent to County Hall for checking. If you are awarded free school meals our school will also be allocated money called Pupil Premium. The money is then used to support the pupils at school.

## **Dates...**

- 29 03 17 Art Day
- 30 03 17 Easter Activity Day
- 30 03 17 Easter Bingo
- 31 03 17 Stars of the Term Assembly 9.10am (all welcome)  
Judging of the Decorated Egg Competition  
Easter Service in the Church at 1.45pm (all welcome)
- 03 04-14 04 17 Easter holiday
- 17 04 17 Easter Monday (Bank holiday)
- 18 04 17 Children return to school
- 19 04 17 Tempest photographer – class groups and leavers' photos
- 24 04 17 St George's Day breakfast
- 04 05 17 Cake sale
- 04 05 17 Governors' meeting 6pm
- 09 05 17 NSPCC Online Safety Presentation 1.45pm
- 29 05-02 06 17 Half term



As you know Sarafina is due to have her baby very soon! Unfortunately due to the distance in which any potential cover teachers would have to travel, Dance Club will not continue after the Easter Holidays. Sarafina would like to thank the school, teachers and of course the ALL the wonderful children who have supported her and dance club over the past 2 terms. Sarafina has seen so many children engage in dance club showing huge commitment, passion and energy in their learning. Sarafina has set challenges throughout her classes to encourage and support the children to be the best that they can be in dance and evidently she has seen the children grow in confidence week by week. Sarafina hopes that the children have had as much fun dancing their socks off as she has in dance club!

In view of Dance returning with NEW and FRESH energy in September please could you take the time to fill out the feedback form attached. This would be HUGELY appreciated to the future development of the club.

GOT FEEDBACK?

Rate Dance Club! (Please Tick)



Awesome



Good



Alright

What do you like?

What needs to be improved?

**CHARLTON HORETHORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL – AFTER  
SCHOOL CLUBS – SUMMER TERM 2017**

I give permission for my child(ren) to take part in the after school clubs listed below and will arrange for their collection from school at 4pm.

CHILD(REN)'S NAME(S)

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SIGNED ..... DATE .....