



Headteacher: Miss N Bill

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CHALTON LOWER SCHOOL

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School Year 2023-2024

NEWSLETTER NO: 2



Central

Dear Parents



Stars of the Week

Emeralds & Amethysts: Junia & Nathaniel

Rubies and Sapphires: Alysha & Macey

Diamonds: Joshua

Value of the Month

Respect



Sports Stars of the Week

Emeralds & Amethysts: Kobi, Finley & Ava

Rubies and Sapphires: Alena & Henry

Children's Learning

It has been an absolute pleasure to see all of the children's learning this week. In Diamond Class the children have settled more into school routines. They have completed lots of circle time and story sessions to help them to get to know each other and learn each other's names. In their Maths activities this week the adults have been helping the children to count to ten using 1:1 correspondence. This is a really important skill to enable the children to count accurately. They have also been singing lots of number rhymes. In Key Stage One this week the children really enjoyed learning different football skills in their Monday PE lesson. They learnt how to dribble around the cones and kick the ball accurately. In their History lessons they have started their topic work on the great fire of London. The children learnt all about how London was different in the past compared to the present day. In Key Stage Two this week the children loved their Art lesson where they were sketching different leaves. They were encouraged to think carefully about how to improve their pencil/pastel techniques and observational skills. In their Maths lessons this week they have been learning all about place value and counting in steps of ones, tens, hundreds and thousands. They thought carefully about how to represent numbers using different ways such as by using base 10 and bar models.

School Photographs

The School Photographer will be visiting the school on **Tuesday 19th September 2023** to take individual photographs of the children. You are welcome to bring siblings along for group or individual photographs – this will be at 8.50am in the school hall.

Charity Coat Collection

We have been approached by an ex-parent who is working as a volunteer with refugees who are staying in hotels in Dunstable. They are looking to see if anyone has any old winter coats they would be happy to donate to help these people, who currently have very little at all.

They are looking for all sizes from adult men/ladies coats to teenagers and small children. If you can please have a look through your cupboards at home to see if you have anything you no longer need and bring them to the school office, that would be great. They will be collected on **Friday 22nd September**.

Thank you so much for helping us support this charity.

Christmas Card Project

We will shortly be sending home information about creating your own Christmas cards with your child/ren. If you can help your child at home to create a lovely Christmassy picture and send this back into school, these will then be used to create your own personalised Christmas cards/gifts. Please see the poster attached and information in book bags soon!

Designs will need to be returned to school by **9th October 2023**.

Governor Vacancy

We currently have one vacancy for a Parent Governor. If anyone would be interested in volunteering for this very worthwhile and rewarding position, please email Mrs Chapman on chalton@chaltonlower.co.uk. Should we have more than one parent interested in the role, we will hold a parent election.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding a coffee morning on **Friday 29th September 2023** in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. In conjunction with this we will also be opening the classrooms for parents to come in and see their children at work. Please feel free to drop in between 9.00am and 10.30am. You can donate for this very worthwhile cause via our school donation page:

<https://coffeefundraising.macmillan.org.uk/fundraising/cm23033360> or you can donate on the day. Cake donations will also be very greatly received.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 19th September – Individual School Photos

Thursday 28th September – Diamonds Class Nature Reserve

Friday 29th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.00am-10.30am

Thursday 12th October – Diamond Class Nature Reserve

Thursday 12th October – Harvest Festival at the Village Hall PM (more details to follow)

Wednesday 18th October – Year 1&2 Multi-skills sports festival (more details to follow)

Wednesday 18th October – Year 3&4 Faith Tour (more details to follow)

Wednesday 18th October – Parents Evening (more details to follow)

Thursday 19th October – Year 3&4 Stone Age Day! (more details to follow)

Yours sincerely



Miss Natalie Bill
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