



Headteacher: Miss N Bill

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CHALTON LOWER SCHOOL

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School Year 2023-2024

NEWSLETTER No: 10



Central

Dear Parents



Stars of the Week : Showing Tolerance

Emeralds & Amethysts: Kobi & Aiden

Rubies and Sapphires: Jason & Sophie

Diamonds: Ronnie

Value of the Month

Tolerance



Sports Stars of the Week

Emeralds & Amethysts: Riley & Finley

Rubies and Sapphires: Patrick & Zion

Diamonds: Tori

Children's Learning

I have been really pleased to see all of the children's amazing learning this week. On Monday we started the week with a whole school special assembly to mark the beginning of Anti Bullying Week. It was great to see so many of the children wearing odd socks as this helps to highlight individuality, acceptance and tolerance. The key message from our assembly was that everyone is different and this needs to be celebrated. We ended the week with Children in Need Day. The children did some special activities in their classes to help raise awareness of this very important charity.

In Diamonds Class this week the children have been continuing to learn their letter sounds using the Twinkl phonics programme. The letter sounds they were learning this week were i, n, m and d. They had some super activities to help them to learn their sounds such as a sound button task, pictures and sound matching tasks, activities with magnetic letters and letter formation mats. In Key Stage One this week the children really enjoyed their PE lesson on Monday. This half term the children are learning hockey skills with the coaches from Creative Sports Coaching. It was wonderful to see the children developing their skills by trying hard to control the ball and effectively passing it to a partner. In Key Stage Two this week the children were learning all about different methods for addition and subtraction in their Maths lessons. They spent some time learning how to add and subtract three and four digit numbers by using Base 10, counters, number lines and the column method. In their English lessons they were writing recipes which they edited later in the week to improve their work.

Lumi Nova Mobile App

We have recently become aware of Lumi Nova. Lumi Nova is a NICE recommended digital therapeutic game to support children 7-12 years old with anxiety. The offer has been funded by ELFT and is available for families to access independently through the self-sign-up pathway. Lumi Nova is in the format of a mobile app to help children and young people learn to self-

manage and reduce symptoms of anxiety, build resilience and thrive. NICE recommends this for children with mild to moderate anxiety.

Who is Lumi Nova for?

- 7-12 year olds
- Mild to moderate difficulties with fears and worries (anxiety)
- Not suitable for children in crisis or those with complex needs/difficulties
- Residents of Bedfordshire

Access to the game and lots more information is available here: <https://luminova.app/elft>

Christmas Raffle Donations

Thank you for all the lovely raffle prizes which have started to come into school - we hope to start putting these together into hampers soon - so please continue to bring these into the office.

We are very excited to inform you that in addition to the wonderful hampers, you will also have the opportunity to win a voucher for:

- Snakes & Ladders
- Go Bowling
- Capello Hair & Design
- Pretty Polish
- Delicious Desserts
- Active Luton 1 month Gym/swim membership
- The Star
- Panache Hair & Beauty

If any parents work anywhere who may also be able to help with a prize or if you have contact details of someone we could try - please let us know!

Raffle tickets will go on sale from 4th December and will be available from the School Office. We will draw the winners on our last day of term – 20th December.

Christmas Pantomime

Details have been sent out via ParentMail regarding this year's trip to the Pantomime at the Grove Theatre, Dunstable. Please can you log into ParentMail where you can book your child's place and make payment. Alternatively, you can pay by card at the School Office or over the phone. Please also complete the consent form and order a school packed lunch (if required) here: <https://forms.gle/thJR7eJiyFmPcEfK8>.

Year 1-4 Dance Festival

Some of the children from years 1-4 have been selected to attend a dance festival at Redborne Upper School on **Thursday 23rd November**. Details have been sent out via Parentmail. Please ensure the consent form is completed to allow them to attend.

Winter Flu Vaccination

Your child's Annual Flu Vaccination will take place at school on **Thursday 23rd November**, please click the below link to complete a consent form.

[**CENTRAL FLU CONSENT FORM**](#)

The deadline to complete your child's consent form is **21st November 2023**. We cannot guarantee any forms submitted after this date and time will be accepted at the school session. This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family members and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

The vaccine is free and most children have it up their nose (nasal spray) which is quick and painless. The nasal spray is the most effective vaccine for children. If you do not wish for your child to receive the spray due to it containing porcine gelatine and would prefer for them to have the injectable vaccine, please contact the NHS immunisation team on the number provided below.

Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccines in schools have had the immunisation.

If you have any queries, please contact the immunisation team on: **0300 790 0594**

Diary Dates

Thursday 23rd November – Dance Festival

Thursday 23rd November – Flu Vaccinations

Friday 24th November – Training Day – **School Closed**

Thursday 7th December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumpers!

Monday 11th December – Diamond Class Christmas Play – PM

Tuesday 12th December – Whole School Panto trip

Wednesday 13th December – Year 1-4 Christmas Play – PM - tickets available shortly

Thursday 14th December – Year 1-4 Christmas Play – PM - tickets available shortly

Friday 15th December – Christmas Disco 4-5.30pm – Village Hall.

Wednesday 20th December – Last day of term – Christmas Party

Yours sincerely



Miss Natalie Bill
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