



CHILMARK AND FONTHILL BISHOP

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr Adam Smith

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Dear Parents,

This week was very significant as we have celebrated some important events. The first being the anniversary of me becoming the Headteacher at Chilmark and Fonthill Bishop two years ago.

In this time the parents, Governors, staff and pupils have done a lot of work to make the school all that it is today. We have had many changes and as a result we have made many improvements. I am very proud to see the progress we are making and the obvious pleasure the pupils take in being in school. In addition, I am also pleased to hear that this opinion is shared by others, that parents and families feel that the school is a better and more loving place for children. Last year, Ofsted was able to see the improvements the pupils and staff had made; sadly they arrived too soon to see the exciting results that Elm class achieved in the SATs.

I am pleased to say that the school has not rested; we have instead continued to pursue the highest expectations and the pupils have risen to the challenge. We were visited this week by an inspector from the Church of England for a SIAMs inspection, which is akin to an OFSTED inspection for Church schools. The inspection judgement and the report will be available before the Easter break. I am not allowed to share the judgement before the report is published, but we are all very happy with the result.

As we carry on the journey of continuous growth, I would like us all to focus on the school's ethos and values. We all believe that the pupils are the most important priority and work to keep that thought central in our minds. We also maintain the focus on our Christian Words of Power, as they are a toolkit for shaping the school we wish to be. As we continue to share this vision with the wider community we rely on the wonderful support and involvement of the parents. You have been a big part of making this journey so successful.

Many thanks,

Yours,

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Reminders

Due to Art Club's popularity we are planning to run two sessions each week. We will run a session for younger pupils on a Thursday, 3-4pm, and Friday for older pupils, 3-4pm. If the session change is a problem please let us know. The groups are based on providing a better experience for pupils as well but we are flexible.

Please note that the next Art Club session will be on Thursday 8th March.

Car Parking

Please can everyone remember not to park beyond the bridge and block access to Bridge Cottage as this can cause great inconvenience for local residents.

World Book Day



Friday 2 March - please come to school as a character from a book character. Pupils will need to explain who they are and the most imaginative will win a prize. Kylie is cooking a World Book Day lunch on the theme of 'Pippi Longstocking' and spaghetti and meatballs will be on the menu. So please let Mrs Rennard know if you would like to order the themed meal.

We are also sending home a book leaflet. The school will benefit from any books purchased – please see Mrs Rennard with any orders or enquiries.

Sport Relief 2017



This year we will be supporting Sport Relief by selling wristbands in school. These are priced at £1 each and available in red or blue. They will be on sale at the office from Monday 26th Feb.



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Diary Dates

World Book Day Friday 2 March - Fancy dress as a book character

Mothering Sunday 11 March- At St Margaret's 11.15. Elements of the service have been planned by pupils .

Easter service TBC

Easter Holidays - 30 March – 13 April

First day back – 16 April

Families into class 17 April, visit for lunch and then take part in lessons 12 noon-2pm.

Spring Bank Holiday Monday 7 May

Summer half term 28 May – 1 June

Sports day 22 June

2018 Rural Schools Olympics Friday 6 July

Reports Monday 9 July

Fonthill Park CC Primary Schools Kwik Cricket Festival Thursday 14 June_(Dinton, Chilmark, Semley, Hindon, and Wardour Primary Schools)

End of year Service TBC

Last day of term Friday 20 July

First day back Monday 3 September