

Parents Newsletter

June/July 2016



We have come to the end of another busy term. This term has been filled with many exciting events and activities as well as a lot of hard work by all our pupils and staff.

Pupils across Key Stage One and Two have had Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs). The tests this year have been particularly challenging. The outcomes of the tests only give a fraction of information about the achievements of our pupils. Our pupils showed great resilience when faced with the challenging papers. They remained calm throughout the testing weeks, worked hard and tried their very best. I am very proud of each and every one of our pupils.

As parents and staff we know how wonderfully talented our children are. We have kind, caring children, who have a multitude of skills and talents that cannot be formally tested. It is important that we remind our children that they are amazing and that we celebrate all their achievements, be it academic or creative.

Year Six Leavers

Once again it is that time, where we have to say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. We have seen our pupils' personality and characters develop over the past seven years, from those early years in the Foundation Stage to end of Key Stage Two. It is now time to let them venture out to secondary school and continue their educational journey.

Year Six Leavers Assembly

Our year six pupils and staff have put on an amazing end of year performance. The slideshow of their journey at Charnwood was heart-warming. Parents, staff and pupils were overcome with emotions as they watched those special moments on screen.

Saying Goodbye

At the end of any school year we unfortunately have to say goodbye to some of our staff who are leaving us and this year is no different. We thank the following members of staff for their hard work and commitment to Charnwood Primary School and wish them well as they leave us for pastures new:

- Mrs A Makda (HLTA)
- Mrs A Sidat (Teaching Assistant)
- Mrs S Asghar (Teaching Assistant)
- Miss S Patel (Teaching Assistant)

It is with gratitude and heartfelt thanks that we say good luck and best wishes to them all.

I would also like to thank all our volunteers, students and supply staff that have been with us this year. Their help and support has been invaluable.

The end of Year Reports

You will receive your child's annual school report this week. Please sign the form enclosed with the report and return it to school as soon as possible.

Attendance

Our attendance target for the whole school in 2015/16 was **95.2%**. I am very pleased to report that our pupils have achieved **95.8%** attendance. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring our children maintain a good level of attendance and punctuality. Further information about the importance of attendance can be found on our school website: - <http://charnwood.leicester.sch.uk>
The class with the best attendance this year was **4 Pine**

Swimming Gala

Congratulations to our **Year 4** children who participated in our local schools swimming competition. We are happy to announce that our pupils came **FIRST** in most of the events. **WELL DONE!**

Stay Safe

A reminder for all the children to stay safe as they enjoy the summer break:-

- Road safety – follow the green cross code as you play outdoors
- Stranger Danger – Be aware of strangers. Make sure your parents / carers know where you are going and how long you will be. Never talk to strangers and always tell a known adult if you are approached by any strangers.

School Uniform

The pupils' uniform has been reviewed and agreed by the governing body. It is important that children come to school appropriately dressed in school uniform. The school uniform colours are **navy and white with black shoes**. Other colours are not acceptable as part of the uniform. Please note that the wearing of uniform will be monitored next year.

The uniform colour is **navy blue** NOT black. Please ensure pupils come to school wearing the correct uniform in the correct colours. For Physical Education (PE) pupil's must wear **black trainers or black plimsolls**.

Boys' Uniform

White shirt/polo shirt, plain **navy** trousers, plain **navy** jumper/sweatshirt.

Or **navy** $\frac{3}{4}$ length jabah.

Sensible **BLACK shoes** that have a closed back.

Girls' Uniform

White blouse/polo shirt with a **navy** trousers.

Or **navy** pinafore dress with a white blouse/polo shirt and plain **navy** jumper/sweatshirt.

Or **navy** $\frac{3}{4}$ length jabah with matching headwear.

Pins and brooches must not be used to fix head scarves.

Sensible **Black** shoes that have a closed back.

E-Safety

I am hoping that you will make the most of the good weather and enjoy more outdoor activities with your children. However I am sure that many of our children will be using digital media devices such as smart phones, iPads/ iPods and PCs during the holidays. May I remind you of the importance of ensuring that our children stay safe online. It is advisable to ensure parental controls are activated on the devices and children are supervised whilst online. Further information about E-safety can be found on the Leicester City Council Website:-

<http://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council-services/education-lifelong-learning/parental-support/onlinesafety/>

New Academic Year Dates:

School re-opens on **Tuesday, 30 August 2016**.

Bullying

Don't forget if you want to report bullying you can contact the school online at www.textsomeone.com. Our school code is 20912 or use your mobile to text. Start your message with our ID code 20912. The number is 0778 147 4660.

Parent View

Parent View gives you the chance to tell us what you think about our school. Please have a look at this website and give your view: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Office

It is vital that the school is kept informed of any changes to contact phone numbers and medical needs. These details are very important in any case of emergency. Please note calls made to and from the school may be recorded and used for monitoring and training purposes.

Have a great summer holiday everyone. We look forward to seeing you all on the first day of the Autumn term. ☺