

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

29th June 2018

Headteacher: Mr Peter Hawksworth

KEY DIARY DATES

July 2018

- 2nd - 6th Year 10 Work Experience
- 2nd - 6th Post-16 Ashbourne Residential
- 3rd Meet the Teacher Session
- 5th Full Governors' Meeting, 6.30pm
- 13th KS3 Assembly
- 17th School Production Dress Rehearsal
- 18th School Production, 1.30pm
- 19th School Production, 1.30pm
- 20th School closes

August 2018

- 23rd GCSE Exam Results, 10.00am - 11.00am

September 2018

- 3rd INSET day (no children in school)
- 4th INSET day (no children in school)
- 5th School opens for students

INSET DATES

- 3rd September 2018
- 4th September 2018
- 1st February 2019
- 22nd March 2019

School Dinners

From September 2018 the cost of a School Dinner will be increasing from £2.25 to £2.58.

We have not increased the price for the past two years, but in that time we have seen our catering costs increase significantly. Chartwells, our catering supplier, increased their charge to £2.58 per meal with effect from April 2018 and we now need to bring our charging in line with the cost to school.

We will be updating ParentPay at the end of Summer term to reflect the new charge from the beginning of the new school year in September.

Mr Hawksworth
Headteacher

Makaton Sign of the Week

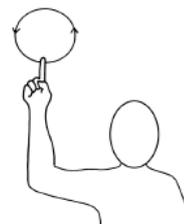


Sign of the Week
25th June - 1st July 2018

This week's sign is Sun!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #wetalkmakaton to appear on our video wall on wetalkmakaton.org

Sun



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Learn a new word every week and be inspired to get signing via the following link:

<https://wetalkmakaton.org/>

Awards Evening

On Thursday 14th June we held a very successful Awards Evening in school. Each form nominated two students for an award; 1 for progress and 1 for achievement.

Additionally, we awarded 14 special awards that have been donated over the years by people with historic connections to the school.

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Headteacher



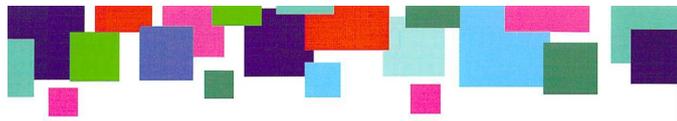
Hot Weather

As we are having such hot weather at the moment, could you please ensure your child has the correct high factor sun cream on before coming into school. Please could you also send them in with a clearly named, refillable water bottle and a sun hat.

Many thanks.

Julia Lloyd-Jones
Assistant Headteacher





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Maths

COME ON ENGLAND



England are through to the final 16 teams in the world cup competition.

Can you calculate the total number of players that began the tournament on the 14th June? To give you a clue, there were 32 teams in total.

Well done to all those who entered last week.

Temperatures are soaring so this is the ideal time to talk to your child about:

- Hot and cold
- Positive and negative numbers
- Recording temperatures
- Discussing changes in temperature each day



You could also discuss the numbers (factors) on the sun cream and how often you should apply them, which links with time.

Stay safe and enjoy the sunshine.

Miss Bradbury
Maths Coordinator

Data Collection Sheets

Please could all parents/carers return the data collection sheet and photograph consent form which were sent home before half term.

Please could you also ensure that you provide us with your email address.

Word Workout

Well done Finn in 7G who produced some great words from last week's Word Workout!

Here is a quick reminder of the rules as Mr Hawksworth wasn't sure of what to do!

When forming your word, you can select letters from any position as long as you do not use the same letter twice in one word. All words need to be between 3 and 7 letters long. For example, this week you could spell: spill, spell and pin. Good Luck!

L	U	Y	I
S	S	P	E
I	L	I	N
V	J	L	F

Mrs Ratcliffe
Reading, Writing and Communication Coordinator

Sports Day

Last week all staff and pupils took part in our annual Sports Day. It is always fantastic to see our pupils work so hard and push themselves for their teams. This year was no different with all pupils taking part in at least one event and cheering each other on. We had a great turnout from parents and Friends of Queen's Croft were on hand to keep everyone happy with plenty of refreshments. We did have an unplanned rain break, but everyone coped with this really well and we certainly did not allow the rain to stop everyone's fun! Plenty of school records were broken throughout the day and the white team were victorious. Thank you for everyone's hard work, enthusiasm and support and well done to every pupil for trying their best!

Mr Capewell
Head of PE

Environmental Tip!

Please consider equipping your child with a bottle (well done if you've done this already!), especially during hot weather. I would encourage purchasing a bottle which can be used repeatedly rather than shop purchase bottled water. We have facilities at school for refilling! It is also much better to avoid these single use plastics which are causing so many problems in the environment, as 90 have been finding out in DT lessons.



Mr Stubbs
Head of DT