



# Charlton Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter

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**'Transforming lives through God's embrace.'**



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Dear parents and carers

Phew! What a long term! It has been a wonderful one though. I went along to the Duckling's Teddy Bear Picnic this afternoon and it was wonderful to see so many families in school.

We have achieved so much already this year as a school—I hope that you have enjoyed all of the Dojo updates.

Term 2 is a really busy one so please keep an eye on the Dojo calendar—key dates are also included in this newsletter.

I would like to say a huge thank you to our PTA—you do a wonderful job. If any of our Duckling parents are interested in joining, please let us know. We would love to have more members on our team.

I wish you all a peaceful week and I look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 5th November.

I am not sure how many parents actually know our school prayer, so I thought I would share it with you. I think it is rather lovely:

*This is our school*

*Let peace be here*

*Let the rooms be full of happiness*

*Let love be all around us*

*Love of one another*

*Love of all people*

*And love of life and being.*

*Let us remember that as many hands build a house*

*As many hearts make a school.*

*Dear Lord, be with us in our school today,*

*Amen*

### Baby and Toddler Group

**Baby and Toddler Group will run every Thursday morning during term time between 9am—10am**



- ◆ Drink and snack for the little ones
- ◆ Activities, games and toys
- ◆ A chance to chat and meet new people



**The first session will be held on Thursday 26th September**

**Please keep spreading the word—this is open to the whole community so please do bring friends and relatives with little ones.**

*Mrs Hazelden and Miss Kew*



Pastoral Lead

### Message from Miss Kew

Contact details:

Phone: school number and select line 2

Email: [kkew@charltonprimary.school](mailto:kkew@charltonprimary.school)



As the Pastoral Lead at Charlton, I am available to support families in many different ways, whether this be any concerns for your child or your own wellbeing, difficulties at home and financial support which could consist of:

Food Bank: If anyone would like to access the food bank please do contact Miss Kew. Fuel Bank: This is accessible for pre-paid meters. Again, please do contact Miss Kew if you would like support with this.

Any support offered to you will always be treated with the strictest confidence.

### Reminders:

#### Named Uniform

This term we seem to have a large pile of leftover uniform and unfortunately these items have no names on them which makes it difficult to return to the correct child. Please could you ensure that all uniform is named and checked regularly to ensure the name is still clear and visible.

#### Road Safety

Please ensure that you use the crossing, as we have been made aware of incidents of children crossing the road unsafely.

#### Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for your child's learning and well-being. The attendance target is 96%. Please be aware that holidays in term time will usually be unauthorised and a referral may be made to KCC for a Penalty Notice. Please see our Attendance Policy (on the website) for further guidance. Please ensure that you phone the Office to inform of your child's absence by 9:30am.

#### Communication

Please email (office@charltonprimary.school) or phone the office with any queries or to arrange an appointment with your child's teacher.

#### Collection from school

A reminder that all children, apart from Year 6, need to be collected from school by an adult. Year 6 children can walk home alone if their parents have given permission. These Year 6 children will be given a pass. Safeguarding is our highest priority. If parents have arranged for another adult to collect their child, the office must be informed and a message will be passed to the class teacher. Thank you for your support with keeping our children safe.

#### Morning Gate

Just a reminder that parents are not to enter the school grounds during morning drop off.

#### Community Library

The library shed will be located on the Key Stage One playground and will be open 5 days a week to our school community. The shed will be stocked with a selection of books aimed at toddlers and adults. Please feel free to browse and borrow the books on offer!



### Attendance:

Duckling	93.2%	Jackdaw	96.6%
Wren	90.5%	Starling	89.5%
Robin	93.5%	Owl	93.7%
Swan	96.4%	Whole School	93.4%

### Certificates:



**Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded a certificate. Well done!**

Duckling:	Skye W, Elizabeth and Gracie
Wren:	Kellie, Amber and all Wrens
Robin:	Alfie B, Finn and Minnie
Swan:	Chloe, Esmae and Lillie-Anne
Jackdaw:	Obie, Matthew and Ronnie
Starling:	Jasmine, Mikey and Cass
Owl:	Evie, Fateema and Mia

### House Points:

<u>Diamonds</u>	<u>Emeralds</u>	<u>Rubies</u>	<u>Sapphires</u>
303	364	352	365

**Congratulations to Sapphires**

## Diary Dates

Date	Event	Year groups
Friday 25th October	Last Day of Term 1	Whole School
Tuesday 5th November	First Day of Term 2	Whole School
Monday 11th November	R and 6 NCMP Health Screening	Ducklings and Owls
Monday 11th November	R, 4 and 5 Parent Meetings (1-4pm)	Ducklings, Jackdaws and Starlings
Tuesday 12th November	Odd Sock Day for Anti-Bullying Week	Whole School
Tuesday 12th November	R, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Parent Meetings (3:30—6pm)	Ducklings, Robins, Swans, Jackdaws, Starlings and Owls
Wednesday 13th November	2, 3 and 6 Parent Meetings (1-4pm)	Robins, Swans and Owls
Thursday 14th November	Cathedral Schools Day	Owl Class
Monday 9th December	Rocksteady Concert at 9:15am	Parents of Rocksteady children
Tuesday 10th December	KS2 Christingle Service in Church (2-3pm)	All of KS2
Wednesday 11th December	Flu Vaccinations	Whole School with parents consent
Thursday 12th December	KS1 Nativity in Church (2-3pm)	All of KS1
Friday 13th December	Pantomime – Aladdin at The Tower Theatre in Folkestone—9am—1pm	Whole School
Friday 13th December	PTA Christmas Fair—2pm—4pm	Whole School
Friday 20th December	Last Day of Term 2	Whole School

### Swimming in Term 2—Year 5

Wednesday 13th November  
 Wednesday 20th November  
 Wednesday 27th November  
 Wednesday 4th December  
 Wednesday 11th December  
 Wednesday 18th December



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### Tag Rugby



On 11th October, Ms Lanigan took nine of our Year 6 children to a Tag Rugby Festival. It was a non-competitive event but gave us the opportunity to participate in an inclusive sporting festival with other local schools. The children had a fantastic time!

### Benchball



On Thursday 24th October, some of our Year 4 children attended a competitive, collaboration Benchball event. The children showed amazing teamwork and sportsmanship which led to them winning all of their games and bringing the trophy home! Ms Lanigan was extremely proud of how the children represented themselves and the school.

### Dover Rotary



As part of our ongoing working relationship with the Rotary Club of Dover, we were fortunate enough to raise funds towards improving our outdoor area. During the summer, Alex James Landscape Construction Ltd built our wonderful new decking area as part of the KS1 development. The Rotary Club also kindly donated a Willow Tree that has been planted outside the Office entrance and various animal habitats to be placed around the school grounds. Thank you to the Rotary Club for their support.



### Clubs for Term 2

Tuesday	Multisports—Ms Lanigan—Year 3  3:15—4:00	12th November 19th November 26th November 3rd December 10th December
Thursday	Gymnastics—Mrs Plummer—Years 1 and 2  3:15—4:00	14th November 21st November 28th November 5th December 12th December
Thursday	Yoga—Mrs Moat—Years 3, 4, 5 and 6  12:30—1:00	14th November 21st November 28th November 5th December 12th December

For any clubs that involve physical activity, children can come to school on this day in their PE kits.

During gardening club this term, the children will potentially be getting quite dirty, please could children come to school on this day in clothes that you wouldn't mind getting covered in mud and soil

### PE for Term 2

Please see below for this term's PE schedule:

Monday	Year 6
Tuesday	Year 3
Wednesday	Year 5 Swimming
Thursday	Reception with Mrs Plummer Year 5
Friday	Year 1 Year 2 Year 4

Children can still come to school wearing their PE kits consisting of:

White t-shirt

Navy blue/ black shorts/ tracksuit bottoms/ leggings

Trainers

School jumper/ fleece/ hoody

Jewellery: only studs are to be worn in school. Hoops are unsafe at school due to the risk of tearing during playtimes and games. Children/ parents will be asked to remove hoops