

Dear Parents,

Well, our first full week back at school has been one with much to celebrate. Well done to our new reception children who have now joined the rest of the school in the dining hall for their lunch. It has been a pleasure to see them manage themselves and to witness their excellent table manners.

It is hard to believe that this time last year we were surrounded by heras fencing and just about to commence an extensive building project. A year on, our new classrooms, entrance hall and hub kitchen are being utilised to the maximum.

It was with great pride that I took Mrs Elspeth Murano, a local authority advisor, on a tour of our school earlier today. It was clearly evident, both in the vibrancy of the classrooms and learning going on, that both staff and children have wasted no time in setting the tone for the year ahead.

Equally, our new reception children are also making great strides with their learning. Upon arrival this morning, a number were very excited and quick to tell me that they had been learning to write words such as sat and mat!

As promised, I attach a summary of our School Development Plan priorities for this academic year. This is an exciting time with lots of opportunities to further enhance teaching and learning here at Chalford Hill. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Please don't forget to join us in the school hall on Monday for our PTA AGM - all welcome. We are also looking forward to Friday for the PTA Welcome Back BBQ and disco. If previous years are anything to go by, it's sure to be a great night - we look forward to seeing you there.

Warmest regards,



Corinne Martin

Y2 at the woods

Y2 have been looking at flags from islands as part of their "An Island Home" topic. They designed and painted island flags in teams and took them down to the woods. Each team is named after an island. The children have been learning about physical and human geography and made their own islands at the woods. This was linked with a Katie Morag story about her adventures on the Isle of Struay. Please look at some of their photos on our website.

http://chalfordhill.gloucs.sch.uk/our_children/classes/y2/y2_fun.html

PTA News

PTA AGM - Monday 17th September, 8pm. ALL WELCOME

PTA BBQ & Disco, Friday 21st September, 6-9pm

REACH

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded REACH certificates this week.

Year 1

Archie HM - Respect
Ryder - Achieve
Rowan - Effort
Erin - Effort

Year 2

Rosie - Respect
Billy - Effort
Henry - Effort
Edie - Achieve

Year 3

Ava - Challenge
Will - Challenge
Harry - Respect
Martha - Effort

Year 4

Amy - Respect
Amelia - Effort
Eddie - Achieve
Freya - Challenge

Year 5

Eva - Challenge
Maisie - Respect
Harvey - Respect
Esme - Effort

Year 6

Dominic - Challenge
Charlie C - Effort
Lola - Respect
Amy - Challenge



Y2 look at numbers up to 100

Dates for your Diary

Monday 17 th September	Deer Park Open Morning
Tuesday 18 th September	Deer Park Open Morning
Thursday 20 th September	Y3 swimming commences
Thursday 20 th September, 6.15pm	Kingshill Open Evening
Monday 24 th September	After school clubs
commence	
Wednesday 26 th September	Deer Park Open Evening
Wednesday 26 th September	YR Phonics & Reading
meeting	
Wednesday 26 th September	Y5 K'Nex Challenge
Thursday 27 th September, 9.15am	Kingshill Open Day
Friday 28 th September, 9.15am	Kingshill Open Day
(Copies of the Kingshill prospectus available from the office)	