



# Newsletter

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# Open Morning for prospective parents

We were delighted to be joined by 30 parents at our Open Morning this week – thank you for taking the time to visit the school.

Mr Dunning and Mrs Savory shared the school's ethos and values, and some of the learning practices that children will experience should parents choose Chandag Junior School for their children in September 2019.

The images supporting the short talk showed our delightful children



enjoying their learning and how proud we are of the children and the staff team. Parents were then given a tour by the super 'ambassadors' in Year 6 who were accompanied by our wonderful teaching support staff.

Everyone commented on how well they all represented our school and created a good first impression. So, a **huge thank you** to the following children and adults once again:

Elliane, Ben, Mrs
McKenzie, Mrs Brooks,
Gabi, Jonny, Mrs
Webb, Elena, Chase,
Mrs Sedar, Emily, Fin,
Mrs Lichfield, Martha,
Charlie, Mrs Newman,
Leah and finally Ois!

# **POD 6 Carol Service at St Johns**:

Pod 6 will be going to St John's Church for a Keynsham Schools Carol Service on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**. Please can you ensure your child comes to school with a warm/waterproof coat for the walk to the Church.

# <u>Thank you:</u>

We raised an amazing £220.95 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal from selling poppies and other accessories – thank you for your generosity.













# Christmas Market at school - arrangements...

#### **Santa's Helpers Needed!**

To run the Christmas Market we need lots of helpers. The Market runs all day and so helpers are needed for both the morning (8.40am-11.45am) and afternoon (1pm-3.15pm) sessions. We are also running the Market after school for anybody that would like to come and shop, including Chandag Infant and Wellsway pupils. This will also require helpers from 3.15pm-4.30pm. This is a really enjoyable event for both the children and adults. So, if you can spare some time, put on your Christmas jumper and come along and join in! If you are able to help, please contact Justine Brimacombe on 07773 534478 or <a href="mailto:justine.brimacombe@gmail.com">justine.brimacombe@gmail.com</a>. Or please sign up on the sheet in the school office.

**Afternoon visit to market:** 

#### **Morning visit to market:**

Pod 3 Pod 4 Pod 5 Pod 6

#### **Christmas Cards:**

Our Christmas Post Box will be available from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December for any children who would like to send cards – please make sure that you have put the child's full name and class to ensure they are delivered to the correct person.

#### **Coats for break and lunch times:**

We would like to remind parents/carers to ensure that **all children have a coat and/or waterproof jacket** to wear during break/lunch times. It is always beneficial to the children to get some fresh air and change of environment during the day so even in light rain we will be sending the children out to play; therefore a **shower/waterproof coat is essential**. Thank you for your support in this matter.

### **Chandag Junior School's Christmas Lunch:**

On Tuesday 4th December for POD 3 and 5\* and on Wednesday 5th December for POD 4 and 6 \* will be Chandag Junior School's Christmas Lunch. Thank you to everyone who contacted the office for either a vegetarian option or to say if they **didn't want a lunch**. All the other children have been signed up for Christmas Lunch on their day and will be charged £2.40. Please make payment on ParentMail PMX with your usual payments if not already paid. \* NB On Tuesday 4th December POD 4 and 6 will all need to bring a **packed lunch** and on Wednesday 5th POD 3 and 5 will need to bring a packet lunch! On the day of your Christmas Lunch, you can wear a festive Christmas Jumper if you wish. Crackers will be provided by the Wellsway MAT catering team as part of the lunch.

#### **Christmas Production**

As you may be aware, our school's annual Christmas Production will take place on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm** in St John the Baptist Church, Keynsham. **All children are involved** and make this event so special. This is an important event in our school community as we welcome all families to join us. The Christmas Production is traditionally led by Pod 4, who will be leading the acting part of the production, with Pod 3 having supportive roles. Throughout the production Pod 5 and Pod 6 have an vital and active role in the singing element of the production and as such **there is an expectation that all pupils across the school will attend the performance in the evening.** All children will be **expected to wear school uniform** unless you have been otherwise advised. On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, Pod 4 will be spending the all day at













St John's Church rehearsing for the evening performance, they will need to **have a packed lunch** on this day and they will be eating in the Church Hall at lunch time. In the afternoon, Pod 3, 5 and 6 will join them for a dress rehearsal aiming to start at 1.45pm. This is a good opportunity for additional family members and very young children to watch the performance, as space is very limited in the evening performance. We will return to school for 3.15pm, where children will be able to collect their school bags and will be dismissed as usual at the end of the school day. **All children are expected to be at the Church at 6.00pm** for preparations, and families will wait outside until approximately 6.20pm allowing the staff to organise the children and props ready to welcome their audience. All the children who are wearing costumes must come to the church dressed in their costumes along with the dancers (there is nowhere for us to get changed in the church). Costumes will go home on the 11th, but must be returned the next day.

#### Many thanks for all your help and continued support, Mr Brooks & Miss Findlay

#### **Sports**:

Congratulations to the boy's football team who represented Chandag Junior School in the Year 5/6 Tournament held last week at Odd Down, Bath. On a very cold afternoon Chandag played in a Pool of 4. They narrowly lost their first match 1 – 2 against Chew Stoke despite playing really well and having quite a few chances to score and then ost their second match against a strong



Oldfield side. In their third match Chandag found their feet and secured a 1-0 win. In the plate competition Chandag started well against Newbridge and at half time were winning 1-0, the second half saw 3 goals and the match finished 2-2. In extra time Chandag narrowly lost a closely contested match.

Many thanks to Mr Watts and Mr Devine for coaching and managing the team at the tournament. Well played to all the boys who represented Chandag: Fin D, Liam H, Sonny H, Archie N, Osh N, Tom Q, Charlie W, Fin W, Hayden H and George S.













#### **Chandag V Welton Primary school**

Last week a selection of the netball squad travelled to Midsomer Norton to play Welton Primary School in a friendly match. All the team played superbly and showed how much their skills have improved since the tournament they played in October. The final score was 4-3 to welton, who scored in the last minute of a very close game. Well done to all the team and a big thank you to Laura Black for coaching the team and being one half of the transport to the venue! Team: Elena H, Martha H, Kitty c, Ellianne R, Morgan W, Ava B, Leah S and Olivia H.



#### Netball club - Year 5 and 6

There will be **NO** netball club on Monday 3rd December unless you have received a letter to inform you that you are playing in the match.

There will be netball club on Monday 10th December for year 5 and 6 which will be the last one for this term.

Summary of key dates and events 2018/19 Academic Year	
Date	Event
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner & Festive Jumper
Wednesday 5th December	Christmas Dinner & Festive Jumper
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Keynsham Schools' Christmas Carol Service
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Services at St. John's Church – 1.45pm and 6.30pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Market – Details above
Tuesday 18th December	POD 6 Lifeskills Trip
Friday 21st December	INSET Day (3/6) - School closed to children
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Start of Spring term 3

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