Broad Chalke Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2023

With the love of God we learn, care, grow and share



This term our Collective Worship theme is **JOY** *Rejoice with those who rejoice' Romans 12v15*

This week I wanted to share some of the encouraging words children have written and put in our whole school 'Jar of Joy!' "You can do anything you put your mind to" "Just be yourself- you are amazing"

<u>Year 6 SUPER STARS!!</u>

We are SO proud of our amazing Year 6 pupils who have completed their SATs this week. The early morning breakfasts...and a cheeky visit from Crumble.... gave them a positive start to the day. They all tried their absolute best- WELL DONE!! The Year 6 SAT results will be reported to parents in the children's annual reports. Today the children enjoyed their chosen treat of a film and play at the

local park- they loved it!

Our Year 2 children are also working hard on their SAT tests during the month of May.

We are continually wowed by our pupils and their resilience, diligence and enthusiasm...even when completing tests! A big Thank You to Mrs Hall (Chair of Governors) who kindly organised meringues and strawberries for all of our Year 2 and 6 pupilsYUM!

WRAP AROUND CARE

Thank you to everyone who completed the recent parent questionnaire. There were so many lovely comments and some helpful suggestions.

The results clearly highlight the need for additional wrap around care for the children at Broad Chalke Primary School. In order to plan our next step forward, I would be grateful if you could follow this link and complete a short survey which will help us identify specific needs. Thank you https://forms.gle/9AKy4dcjsdpAtkhu6 I am working closely with The Chalke Valley Playschool, who will continue to operate as they do now.

SPORT AND EVENTS

Sport encourages resilience, teamwork and perseverance. As a school we are keen to further develop our in-school provision and out of school experiences for our pupils. From September, Mrs Ramage will be our PE lead and she is already excited about planning next year. We still have lots of exciting external sporting opportunities for pupils to engage in during the summer term. These include:

- Mini-Marathon- Y2-Y6 pupils are practising at lunchtimes in readiness for the Salisbury event on 20th May
- Year 5 & 6- Cricket Festival on 17th May (Individual letters have be sent out)
- Year 5 & 6- Tag Rugby on 9th June (Individual letters will be sent out)
- Year 4 Swimming during Summer term Information will be sent out on Classlist next week)
- Year 5 & 6 Quad Kids on 14th June (Individual letters will be sent out)
- Whole school Sports day on 4th July 1.30pm start (reserve date Monday 17th July)
- Year 3 & 4 mixed football event on 7th July







SAFEGUARDING

At Broad Chalke, keeping children safe is always a priority and our safeguarding duty. Staff at Broad Chalke receive regular training. The purpose of these weekly updates is to raise awareness and support you as parents.



There have been a couple of incidents recently where children have been using phones to message unkind or unhelpful messages to each other, using WhatsApp (age 16+). There are several safeguarding risks associated with young children using messaging or social media platforms. These include: unwanted contact, pressure to respond, location sharing, inappropriate content, cyberbullying and oversharing. As a school, we teach children about these risks through our computing and PSHE schemes of learning. However, here is a link to some further guidance and advice to support you at home with holding conversations with your child or please share with a friend/family member who might find it helpful. https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/

JOINING DSAT

As a staff we have received lots of encouragements about our upcoming partnership with DSAT. This is a strategic decision which will support our ongoing school improvement and secure our future.

We still haven't had an OFSTED inspection- it has been 11 years since our last grading! As soon as we receive the call, we will inform parents and keep you fully updated, as much as possible.

<u>UNIFORM</u>

Please be reminded, no jewellery (apart from stud earrings), large coloured hair accessories or nail varnish should be worn. Also, please do not send your child into school wearing a smart watch- these can be very distracting and can get damaged. Thank you.

Warmest regards

Heather Luft Headteacher