

8th November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Staff Updates

We are all delighted with the news that Mrs Weston is expecting a baby. She will be starting her maternity leave after the February holiday and she will go with all our very best wishes.

Events

It's that time of year again and of all the events we have planned many, but not all, are linked to Christmas! We are so pleased that our CSFA is very active and is able to put on a Christmas Bazaar this year. This has always been a fun and very popular event and even if you have not been before, please do come and enjoy our very festive evening. Parent consultation meetings are taking place next week, so remember to sign up. Please note dates in your diary from the list overleaf, especially the KS1 production and the Carol Service. In school, Christmas lunch is on Thursday 13th December and Class Christmas parties on Thursday 20th December. Another important date at the beginning of January is the 'Learning with your Charter Child' morning on Wednesday 9th January 2019.

Scooter Pods

We are delighted with the increasing number of children riding bikes and scooters to school and, to create more safe storage for their transport, we have purchased two scooter pods. We hope these will be installed next Tuesday. They will be in the same area as the bikes, near the kitchen. Please store scooters in the scooter pods and leave the bike racks for the bikes. This will ensure that our emergency exit also remains clear.

Ping's challenge

Thank you to those who have been completing Ping's Challenges. Please keep a lookout for the next one. There will be a reward for those children who have completed all three so far.

Flu Vaccinations

The school health team will be here to give flu vaccinations to all children in years Foundation to Year 5 on Monday 10th December. Please note this is a nasal spray, not an injection. We will be sending more information later as you will be sent a link to register online with Virginicare to give permission for your child to be vaccinated.

Car Park

As you will be aware, we have not yet re-instated the automatic vehicle gates and we are continuing to trial giving limited access to the school site. This is being closely monitored, as we are very concerned that the safety of the children and pedestrians is paramount and we need to keep vehicles entering the site to a minimum. Access to the car park is intended only for those who have a disability or a specific need, so please be aware that you might be questioned by staff if this is not apparent. For anyone accessing the site please drive **extremely slowly**, as visibility is limited, and please **only park in marked bays**. Parking on the pedestrian crossings, outside school reception on double yellow lines and in the disabled bays (if not entitled) is not acceptable. Thank you for your co-operation and consideration in this.

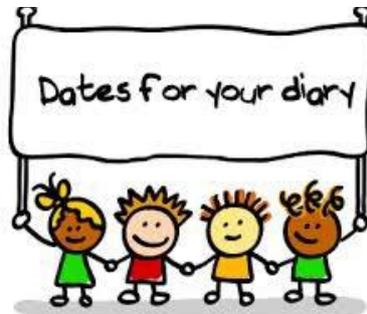
Ofsted Parent View survey

We would be very grateful if parents would enter their views on our school on the Ofsted Parent View survey. The easiest way to access this is through our website or our school app, and a direct link can be found under Information, Ofsted. Alternatively you can access it through the Ofsted website <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. Your responses are received directly by Ofsted and very are important in preparation for our next Ofsted inspection.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S Flack, Headteacher

Please see the next page for important school dates for your diary



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ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/19**

Term 2— (Monday 5th November 2018 —Thursday 20th December 2018)

Tuesday 13th November—Parent Consultation Evening (3.30 -5.00pm)

Wednesday 14th November – Y5 Taster Day at Sheldon School

Wednesday 14th November – Parent Consultation Evening 4.00-6.50pm)

Tuesday 20th November—CSFA Year 5 Cake Sale

Thursday 22nd November—Year 5 & 6 ‘Awful Auntie’ Wyvern Theatre Trip

Friday 30th November—CSFA Christmas Bazaar

Wednesday 5th December—EYFS Starting School Sept 19, Stay & Play

Monday 10th December – Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 12th December—KS1 Christmas Production

Thursday 13th December—School Christmas Dinner

Monday 17th December—Carol Service at St Andrews Church, Chippenham

Thursday 20th December—Last Day of Term 2

Friday 21st December—TD Day (school closed to pupils)

Term 3— (Tuesday 8th January 2019 —Friday 15th February 2019)

Monday 7th January—TD Day (school closed to pupils)

Tuesday 8th January—First Day of Term 3

Wednesday 9th January – ‘Learning with your Charter Child’ morning

Tuesday 22nd January —CSFA Year 4 & Lancaster Cake Sale

Monday 4th February—Year 6 Residential Trip

Tuesday 12th February —CSFA Year 3 Cake Sale

Remaining TD Dates for 2018/19

Friday 21st December 2018

Monday 7th January 2019

Friday 5th April 2019

Monday 3rd June 2019

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Wood Lane
Chippenham
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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

Re: 'OurSchoolsApp'

The school is pleased to announce a brand new way of communicating with parents. Our very own school '**APP**'

'**OurSchoolsApp**' is a personalised app for our school and will allow us to keep you all updated with school information, news, calendar events and contact information. It is like a mini website on the go giving you access to what's going on at the school, at the touch of a button.

You can download the '**APP**' from the Google Play Android marketplace or the Apple Store depending on which mobile phone or device you use. Phones that are Nokia or Windows based can easily be downloaded via a mobile site (details below). You can also access the '**APP**' via smart pads and iPads by following the same download process from the relevant 'app' stores.

When we update the '**APP**' with new information or news about the school, a push button notification will automatically be sent to your own device to inform you of this update. You can then view the notification which will then take you directly to our '**APP**'. Any calendar events marked and sent as a push button notification will also be sent as reminders nearer the date, so you don't miss an event or date at the school.

Instructions for download Apple and Android:

1. Using the relevant device (iPad, iPhone, smart pad, tablet or android phone), visit the relevant marketplace for your product (Apple Store or Google Play).
2. Search for '**OurSchoolsApp**'
3. Download the '**APP**'.
4. In the search bar in the '**APP**' put the postcode of the school which is: **SN15 3EA**
5. Hit the search button.
6. Once you see the school name displayed, just touch the screen on the school name.
7. Confirm your choice by pressing OK.
8. You will now be presented with the '**APP**' for the school which contains news, information, calendar events, contacts and any other relevant details.



Instructions for download Windows based phones:

1. For Windows based (Nokia) phones,
2. Open your mobile internet browser.
3. Put this address in to your browser **www.ourschoolsapp.com/m**
4. In the search bar in the '**APP**' put the postcode of the school which is: **SN15 3EA** or by school name.
5. Hit the search button.
6. Once you see the school name displayed, just touch the screen on the school name.
7. Confirm your choice by pressing OK.
8. The school home screen will appear.

We hope you enjoy using the '**APP**' which aims to keep you updated with events and activities at the school.

Regards.

Charter Primary School