Choppington Primary School



Newsletter

September 2018

New School Year

Can I please welcome you all back from your summer break and hope you had a great time off.

We are now three weeks into the new school year, which have gone very quickly.

We hope to build on the many successes from last year and continue to make the school better by offering more for the children and the community.

This term we are focusing on our local community and the mining heritage in particular. The children have already begun to bring in many pieces of topic homework. If you have any links to or artefacts related to mining make sure to let your child's class teacher know.

Already we have many activities planned for this term, including visits, visitors and numerous clubs.

In the meantime, if you have anything you wish to discuss or talk about then please do not hesitate to come and see me.

Thanks



Mr D. Nelson Headteacher



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Assemblies

This year we will continue with our celebration assemblies on a Thursday at 10.30 am. These will include class assemblies too. You will be invited to this assembly if your child is in Golden Book or your child's class is performing their class assembly.

House System

At the end of last year we decided to introduce a house points system to help us to provide some competition within school. We will be holding these competitions throughout the year.

We have named the houses. The names are taken from jobs that children used to do down the mines, to fit in with the areas heritage.

They are:







Harvest Festival

This year we will be holding our Harvest Festival on Monday 8th October at 2.30 pm. This will be held in the school hall. Please come and join us.

We will be collecting donations for the Wansbeck Valley Food Bank again this year.



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Class Dojo

We have updated our Class Dojo classes and codes should have been sent out. Please download the free app for you phone to keep in touch with school and what your child is doing within school. This also is the only way we will invite you to celebration assembly for Golden Book.

During the year your child will receive both green and red dojos. Red dojos are nothing to worry about; if the behaviour that resulted in the red was a cause for concern a member of staff would contact you to discuss further.



Upcoming Events

* Reception trip to Laing Art Gallery

Wednesday 26th September – 12.00pm

* Year 1–6 trip to Woodhorn Museum

Wednesday 3rd October—9.30am

* Harvest Festival

Monday 8th October—2.30pm

* Bikeability Sessions

Monday 15th October—full week

* Nasal Flu Immunisation

Tuesday 16th October—1.00pm

* PTFA Bingo at The Travellers

Wednesday 17th October—7.00pm

* Halloween Disco

Tuesday 23rd October—EYs am & Y 1– 6 pm

After School Clubs

Monday

Mini-band with MPN: 12.30—1.00

Tuesday

Football Club with NUFC: 3.30—4.30

Wednesday

WaGS Football with NUFC: 8.15—8.50
Singing Club with All-Star: 12.30—1.00
Drama Club with All-Star: 3.30—4.30

Thursday

Dance Club with All-Star: 3.30—4.30

Friday

Year 6 Parents

The admissions portal for secondary places opened on **Wednesday 12th September**. You must apply for your secondary place for 2019 on the portal, no letters are being sent out this year.

The portal closes on **Wednesday 31st October**, so get online quick to get it sorted.

Key Stage 2 Fruit

In the past we have provided fruit for all Key Stage 2 (Year 3-6) children. As of Monday 24th September we will be charging 20p per day for fruit. The children will pay for the fruit each day, as they would in a shop.

So if you want your child to have fruit each day you will need to provide 20p to do so.

