

HALF-TERMLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

School Access

Following the receipt of an HSE (Health & Safety Executive) advisory notice, it is essential that, when entering the school building via the main Office, all parents, pupils and visitors approach via the designated pedestrian pathway and not via the school carpark road gateway.

Building Works

The internal building works for our resource provision (near the KS2 cloakroom entrance) are now complete; however, the external works will be completed by the end of the year. Please be aware that there is still some slight disruption in the playground.

Communication

We have an open-door policy at Chantlers. Any questions or concerns should, in the first instance, be raised with your child's Class Teacher in the playground in the morning or after school. Furthermore, there is always someone from the Senior Leadership Team available in the playground for you to speak to, if necessary. If you cannot come into school and you need to contact staff, **please do so via the School Office (Chantlers@bury.gov.uk) and not to teachers' school email**. As we are committed to managing the well-being of all Chantlers staff, any messages received out of school hours will be read and responded to as soon as possible on the next working day.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Non-Uniform Days / Christmas Fair Donations



We will be holding a Christmas raffle this year as part of our Christmas Fair and Christmas Activities and Fun Week, so could we please ask again for donations from parents on the following dates. More information will be sent out nearer these dates.

Friday 18 th October	- Bottles
Friday 22 nd November	- Chocolates

Chantlers 50th Anniversary Celebrations

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Chantlers Primary School. Throughout the year, the school will be holding a variety of events to celebrate this landmark; this will include visits to school, fundraising and a special Summer Festival. Information about each event will be sent out before they are held.



Remembrance Day

On Monday 11th November, the children will be observing the two minutes silence for Armistice and they will be taking part in related activities. They will also reflect and learn about why Remembrance is important.

Anti-Bullying Week

During the week commencing 11th November, the children will be taking part in activities related to Anti-Bullying Week.





Road Safety Week

Also during the week commencing 11th November, the children will be taking part in activities related to Road Safety Week.

Clubs

The autumn / winter extra-curricular clubs will finish during the week commencing 18th November for a winter break. These sessions will continue in March when the weather improves and they will finish before the Easter break. The spring / summer extra-curricular clubs will begin after Easter; information about these will be sent out at the beginning of April.



Children in Need

This year, Children in Need will be on Friday 15th November. To support this worthy cause, we are asking children to donate £1 (payable via the donations page on ParentPay) and dress in any fancy dress or non-uniform.



Christmas Bauble Day

On Wednesday 27th November, throughout the day, each class will go into the hall to hang a bauble on the Christmas tree. We are asking the children in Reception to bring in a green or purple bauble of their choice which they hang on the tree themselves. Children in Years 1 to 6 will use existing baubles, so that parents do not have to send one into school.



Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair will be returning this year, taking place on Friday 29th November, starting at 3:30pm. There will also be a Festive Christmas Market where the children will showcase their entrepreneurial skills and parents will have the opportunity to buy festive items from the class stalls. There will be mince pies and drinks to enjoy whilst listening to some Christmas classics. The much-anticipated raffle will also be drawn at the end of the Fair - thank you for all your donations so far. Raffle tickets will go on sale after half term. Come along to support the school and join in all the fun and carol singing! Further details will be provided after half term.



Sleeping Beauty Pantomime

On Tuesday 3rd December, all children from Reception to Year 6 will be travelling to Middleton Arena to see a fantastic Christmas pantomime entitled 'Sleeping Beauty'. More information about this trip will be sent out in November.



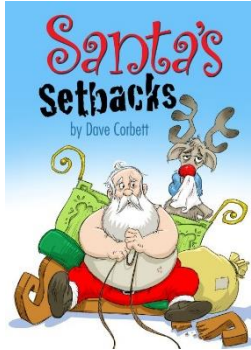
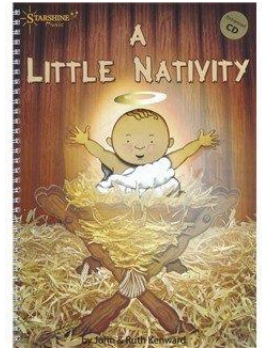
Pre-School Christmas 'Teapots & Carols'

The children in Pre-School will be having a special Christmas afternoon tea party for their families to attend on Friday 6th December at 2pm. Come and join the fun!



Reception Christmas Performance

The children in Reception will be presenting an amazing Christmas performance, for the parents to enjoy! The show is called, 'A Little Nativity'. There will be two shows on **Wednesday 11th December**: the first at 9:30am, followed by an afternoon performance at 2pm. Hot drinks and mince pies will be available to buy.

**KS1 Christmas Performance**

This year, the children in Key Stage 1 will also be performing a fantastic Christmas show entitled, 'Santa's Setbacks'. There will be two shows of this performance, on **Thursday 12th December**: the first at 2pm, followed by an evening performance at 6pm. Again, hot drinks and mince pies will be available to buy at this event.

Christmas Dinner

On Friday 13th December, the children will be having their Christmas dinner. If you want your child to have a Christmas dinner, you will need to order it in the usual way on 'School Grid'.

Also, on this day, we will as usual be raising money for Save the Children by taking part in their annual Christmas Jumper Day. Please bring in a donation of £1 to donate to this worthy cause.

**Tea with Santa**

On Friday 13th December, we will also be hosting our popular 'Tea with Santa' event, where, as in previous years, the children will receive a gift after they have had a festive snack and a story with Santa.

For our older children, there will be a special Christmas in Forest School Day on Tuesday 17th December.

Information about these events will be sent out separately.

**KS2 Carol Service (6pm)**

On Tuesday 17th December, there will be a carol service presented by the children of Key Stage 2 at St Stephens Church at 6pm. All parents and families are welcome to come and watch, or even join in!

**Non-Uniform Day**

Friday 20th December, the last day of term, will be a non-uniform day. Children are encouraged to wear their Christmas jumpers again, however, no contribution is required.

Carols Around the Tree

Also, on the final day of term (Friday 20th December), the children will be singing carols around the Christmas tree before the school closes at 2pm. Please also note that Chilling Club will be closed on this afternoon.



PASTORAL INFORMATION

Packed Lunches and Snacks

Please can we remind parents that we are a healthy school and that sweets, chocolate bars and crisps are not appropriate snacks. Fruit and healthy cereal bars are the preferred options at playtime or as part of a packed lunch.



Handle with Care

At Chantlers we strive to always support our children and families in every way we can.

This is best done by having an open and full dialogue with parents; information given to us is always handled sensitively and only ever shared with people directly involved with supporting the child.

However, we also understand that sometimes, when families are experiencing difficulties, parents are unable to share details with us and that's ok as well.

If your child is coming to school after a difficult or challenging night, morning or weekend please email Mrs Tracey the name of your child and the words "Handle with Care".

Nothing else will need to be said or will be asked. This will simply let us know that your child may need a little extra time, care, or help that day.

email: handlewithcare@chantlersschool.co.uk

Penalty Notice

Penalty Notices are issued under Section 444 of The Education Act; it is important to note that unpaid penalties will result in a prosecution through the criminal justice system.

Any requests for absence in term time should be addressed in writing directly to Mr Barlow. Authorisation can only be given in exceptional circumstances and cannot be given retrospectively.

Please also note that children with attendance below 90% are classed as persistently absent from school and as such we are required to closely monitor any absences for those children.

Bury Young People's Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is a service providing support to children and young people experiencing mental health difficulties, within schools across Bury.

Emma Freeman is the Emotional Health and Wellbeing Worker allocated to Chantlers Primary School and her allocated day at Chantlers is **Monday**.

What support can Emma and the MHST provide?

- Support and advice to school staff and parents.
- Mental Health Assessments.
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) informed 1:1 and group interventions.
- Workshops and training.
- Person centred Interventions.

MHST coffee mornings will take place regularly at school where Emma is available to give more information about how she can support your child and answer any questions or queries you may have. Dates regarding the MHST coffee mornings will be communicated via parent hub.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's emotional health and wellbeing, please contact Mrs Tracey for further advice and support.



REMINDERS

Parking and Drop-Off

Please can we remind parents to drive considerately and to use the parking facility at Elton Vale Sports Club, before and after school. We would recommend that parents do not use Foulds Avenue at these busy times, as this is a main pedestrian entrance. If, for any reason, you have to park on Foulds Avenue, please do so respectfully, without blocking the drives of local residents.

Please be aware that, due to an event being held in Elton Vale each Monday afternoon, there will be very limited parking in this facility at this time, for the foreseeable future.

The school day begins at 8.45am; if you arrive after this time, the school gates will be locked, and you will need to enter the school via the new main school entrance.

Out-of-Hours Supervision

At pick-up and drop-off from school, please can all parents ensure that their children do not access areas which are out-of-bounds, for example the field, the trees and the playground equipment. Please be aware that should there be any accidents without a staff presence, school will not be responsible.

Many thanks for your continued cooperation.

Contact Details

Please ensure that the school office is informed of any changes in contact details. It is imperative that we are able to contact parents on a day-to-day basis, regarding the welfare of their child, and particular in the event of an emergency. It is a legal requirement for schools to have a minimum of two contacts for each child.



First Aid Incidents & Administration of Medicines

We will continue to notify parents by email of any first aid incidents and of any medicines administered during the day. Parents will continue to receive a telephone call for more serious incidents and a letter will still be generated for children who have a head injury.



Medical Appointments

Whenever possible, please could we ask parents / guardians to arrange medical appointments outside school hours. However, we understand that this is not always possible, especially in the case of hospital appointments, therefore please arrange for the school office to have an emailed copy of the appointment letter / card so that the absence can be recorded as authorised for medical reasons. If for any other reason you require your child to leave school before the end of the school day (at 3.15pm), permission should be sought from Mr Barlow or Mr Lea beforehand.

Chantlers Chilling Club

Places are available Monday to Friday in "Chantlers Chilling Club". The price for the breakfast club is £5.00; after school, the cost is £4.50 per whole or part hour. There is a separate pricing structure for Pre-School; parents of Pre-School children wishing to use this facility should contact the school office. The club starts in the morning at 7:45am - 8:45am and runs after school from 3:20pm - 5:30pm. Bookings made on the day will incur an additional charge of £1.00 per hour. Parents collecting late will be charged £15.



DIARY DATES

Friday 18th October
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Wednesday 30th October
Wednesday 6th November
Thursday 7th November
w/c Monday 11th November
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Monday 11th November
Friday 15th November
Friday 22nd November
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Wednesday 27th November
Friday 29th November
Tuesday 3rd December
Friday 6th December
Wednesday 11th December

Non-Uniform Day (Xmas Raffle donations)
School closes for half term at 3:15pm

School re-opens at 8:30am
Forest School starts - Year 5
Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Anti-Bullying Week
Road Safety Week
Remembrance Day
Children in Need
All extra-curricular clubs end today
Non-Uniform Day (Xmas Raffle donations)
Christmas Bauble Day
Christmas Fair (3:30pm - 6:00pm)
Pantomime @ Middleton Arena
Pre-School Christmas Tea Party (2:00pm)
Reception Christmas Performance (9:30am)

Wednesday 11th December
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w/c Monday 16th December
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Wednesday 18th December
Friday 20th December
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Monday 6th January 2022

Reception Christmas Performance (2pm)
KS1 Christmas Performance (2:00pm)
KS1 Christmas Performance (6:00pm)
Children's Christmas Dinner
Christmas Jumper Day
Tea with Santa
Christmas Activities & Fun Week
Christmas in Forest School
KS2 Carol Service (6pm)
Christmas Cinema Party
Non-Uniform Day (no donation)
School closes for Christmas at 2:00pm

School re-opens at 8:30am

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2024 / 2025

TERM	TERM STARTS	HALF TERM BREAK	TERM ENDS
AUTUMN	WEDNESDAY 4 TH SEPTEMBER 2024	FRIDAY 18 TH OCTOBER 2024 to WEDNESDAY 30 TH OCTOBER 2024	FRIDAY 20 TH DECEMBER 2024 (2pm)
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY - MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER 2024 to FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY 2025			
SPRING	MONDAY 6 TH JANUARY 2025	FRIDAY 14 TH FEBRUARY 2025 to MONDAY 24 TH FEBRUARY 2025	FRIDAY 4 TH APRIL 2025 (2pm)
EASTER HOLIDAY - MONDAY 7TH APRIL 2025 to MONDAY 21ST APRIL 2025			
SUMMER	TUESDAY 22 ND APRIL 2025	THURSDAY 1 ST MAY 2025 (Polling Day*) MONDAY 5 TH MAY 2025 (Bank Holiday) FRIDAY 23 RD MAY 2025 to TUESDAY 3 RD JUNE 2025	TUESDAY 22 ND JULY 2025 (2pm)

*School is likely to be closed on this date, as it will be used as a polling station for local elections.

Have a wonderful Christmas Holiday!

