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Weekly Newsletter Update – WEEK 37

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Newsletter 37.

A challenging week at CHPA this week and this reflect in this week's Newsletter being 4 pages long – but it is full of very important information, so please read it carefully. One that started so positively on Monday with the Learner of the Week Assembly, EYFS/KS1 Sports Day, which was followed on Tuesday with the KS2 Sports Day. Following this, on Wednesday, we celebrated a fantastic assembly with the PTA, to recognise the achievements of so many pupils who took part in the CHPA-PTA Walk-a-thon (more details to follow about all these later). Then the week became more difficult, with us having to close the Y2 bubble and yesterday the Y5 bubble followed. However, staff have been both proactive towards all situations and have reacted fantastically well when needed. I cannot thank them enough for all their hard work, in face of such variable and difficult, fast changing issues.

Covid Updates

As explained in my letter on 1.7.2021 (see embedded document below), the Covid variant has hit Sheffield, its schools and CHPA hard this week. As a result of this, we have unfortunately had to close 2 year groups, Y2 and Y5. At the time of writing, these closures are both due to completely unrelated single cases in each year group.

In the event of any positive Covid case, be this through LFD or PCR testing, there is protocol we follow that is set by the Department for Education and Public Health, which includes identifying contact points over the previous 48 hours. Once collated, this information is referred to the DfE, who then provide guidance on the necessary actions, which any school must then undertake. It is this information that CHPA then shares with yourselves.

As a reminder, in the event of any Covid case being identified please contact us using the main phone number 0114 2396083 and speaking with a member of staff or leaving a voicemail, and by sending the details of the Covid case to our dedicated Covid email address covid@charnockhallacademy.co.uk

If anyone is directed to isolate, this does mean isolation! Unfortunately, since the closure of both Y2 and Y5 bubbles, there have been a number of pupils seen around the Charnock/Gleadless area and in the city centre. Where this is the case, we have no option but to pass this information on to the local authority.

A huge thank you to 99.9% of parents who have shown understanding of the difficulties surrounding the decision not to invite parents, but due to the number of pupils at CHPA and the numbers of parents who would have wanted to attend, it was just not safe to bring you on to site. With further hindsight, due to the events that have occurred in the later part of the week, this decision remains 100% the correct one as the positive test results received later this week could have caused complete devastation to the whole CHPA population. Having spoken to other Headteachers also, the significant majority of other schools have also undertaken their Sports Days without parents attending. I hope that 2022, will see everyone back Sand cheering your children on.



Letter to All Parents
1.7.2021.docx

Transition to 2021-2022 classes.

Due to the increase in Covid cases in Sheffield, advice received yesterday for Greg Fell, Director of Public Health Sheffield and our Y2 and Y5 bubble closures, we will unfortunately be unable to undertake the planned transition week next week.

At this moment in time, we are examining the different possibilities as to how we could still do a much-shortened version of transition in the final week of term, but this is dependent on the weather, as it would have to be outside.

As a staff, we will be considering different options next week to ensure that pupils and parents have the maximum amount of information to support effective transition. As always, pupils will find out first and then parents will be notified.

I will let you know our final plans as soon as they are formulated.

Thank you for your understanding with this matter.



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Booster Sessions

Due to implications caused by Covid, the Y1, Y2 and Y5 Booster groups are now cancelled for the last 2 weeks of term. This is to further reduce the risk of Covid infection and the possibility of further bubble closures.

Celebration Assembly – Monday 5th July 2021

As Y2 and Y5 are isolating, these pupils will be able to access the Monday morning Celebration Assembly via a Teams link that will be sent out over the weekend.

If on Monday, your child is absent, please contact class teacher, who will share the link with you to access.

This way, we can keep every CHPA pupil involved with what is happening on site.

Y4 The Deep visit

Due to Covid difficulties, leadership are reviewing options for the planned Y4 visit to The Deep. We will update you with information next week.

CHPA Pupil Learning Platform log in

In the event of needing to log into the learning platform, please do the following

Follow or type in this link to get to the Platform log in page -

<https://leadacademytrust.sharepoint.com/sites/CharnockHallAcademy>

Type in pupil username (The username is the pupils first name & last name - no space in between names e.g. paulburgess (then type this after - @students.charnockhallacademy.co.uk)

So if it was Mr Burgess accessing the platform, it would be paulburgess@students.charnockhallacademy.co.uk

You will then enter your password.

If you do not know or have forgotten your password, click the forget password option and it will send a text to the mobile number linked when the account was set up. If you still have issues then please contact ictsupport@leaditservices.co.uk (with the following info - CHPA as the subject title, then in the main body of the message, explain the issue but ensure you include - pupil full name and date of birth, so this can be cross referenced to ensure GDPR.) LEAD IT will then correct the issue for you.

Please note that neither CHPA Teachers or Admin are able to correct this issue for you as LEAD IT manage this system.

Beat the Street!

We continue to do well to Beat the Street, and it is fabulous to see so many of you posting on social media, so please keep it up.

We currently remain 2nd in our locality with 95,780 points (an increase of nearly 30,00 points since last Friday) and we have an amazing 464 people signed up to get CHPA points, which includes pupils, parents and staff. If we, as CHPA, finish in 1st, 2nd or 3rd for average and total points we will receive money vouchers to spend on either books or sports equipment so keep going and hopefully we can finish top (not only in our locality but for the whole city!!!)

Double Points weekend!

This weekend, on 3rd and 4th July, we are giving out double points at all Beat Boxes in green spaces. You can find a full list of the Beat Boxes here: <https://www.beatthestreet.me/sheffield/events/>. This is a great opportunity to encourage children and families at your school to explore the parks, rivers and canals in their local area.

Events and activities

The Canal and River Trust are running some exciting events, including the chance to try out paddleboarding for free! Check these out here: <https://www.beatthestreet.me/sheffield/events/>.

Double Points at Parkwood Springs

There will be an extra Beat Box giving out double points at Parkwood Springs after school Monday from 3.30 to 5.30pm.

Wild Sheffield

Wild Sheffield run some exciting activities to engage with nature all year round. Take a look at their Beat the Street Photo Challenge here: <https://twitter.com/WildSheffield/status/1410159924890324993?s=19>.



Leader boards

A reminder that schools are competing in one of 7 local leader boards to win prizes for average points and total points. You can find your school on one of the leader boards (A to G) using the link here: <https://www.beatthestreet.me/sheffield/leaderboards/>

Sports Day 2021

As explained earlier and shared through our social media accounts earlier this week, Sports Day 2021 was different, but what an absolutely superb 2 days of sport, competition and fun we had!

Monday morning was the EYFS/KS1 Sports Day and Tuesday morning was the KS2 Sports Day, with pupils working as part of their House Teams, to win the CHPA Sports Day Trophy for 2021!

For EYFS/KS1 results are as follows -

Sheaf (Blue) - 124 points

Rother (Green) - 126 points

Loxley (Yellow) - 130 points

Don (Red) - 137 points

Well done to everyone but a special huge congratulations to **TEAM DON!**

For KS2, results are as follows -

Don (Red) - 162 points

Sheaf (Blue) - 201

Rother (Green) - 226 points

Loxley (Yellow) - 239 points

Well done to everyone but a special huge congratulations to **TEAM LOXLEY!**

The winning teams are pictured here with Mr Burgess and their Sports Day Champions Trophy!

Well done to everyone, you were all fantastic. More photographs showing pupils enjoying all the activities will be posted over the next few days (as it has been a little busy this week), so you as parents, can see the fun we had, in spite of Covid restrictions.

Supporting the 3 Lions and diversity

Thanks to everyone for their support in fundraising for additional reading books for next year through our 3 Lions and Diversity non-uniform days. England play their Quarter-Final game v Ukraine on Saturday evening and should they win, the Semi-Final match would take place on Wednesday 7th July at 8pm. If England did reach the Semi-Final, we would undertake another non-uniform event.

Upon completion of England's Euro 2020 campaign, we will share the total amount raised. Thanks for all your support with this.

Recruitment

We are now looking for a new cleaner to join the CHPA team from September 2021. Please follow the link below to find out more information –

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/job-vacancies/school-job-listings/charnock-hall-primary-academy---cleaner>

This is also available to view on the CHPA website – www.charnockhallacademy.co.uk

Free School Meals

Earlier today Sheffield City Council have confirmed that they will be providing food vouchers to those eligible for 'benefits based' Free School Meals, across the city for the duration of the six-week Summer holiday period.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, there may be many of you, who in these difficult times are eligible to access Free School Meals.

If you have any questions, please contact us on 0114 2396083 and we will answer any questions in complete confidence.

This system is there to help anyone eligible in time of difficulty, and additionally, CHPA will receive further funding, which in times of tight budgets, is extremely valuable to us driving CHPA forward and provide further opportunities for your child.

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/schools-childcare/school-meals>



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You sharing your information with us

It is always of the highest importance that whenever you change any of your contact details that as a matter of importance you share these with us. The recent lockdown demonstrated just how many parents have not shared with us their updated details. This is important, so in future; please do contact us with any changes.

If you are unsure if we have your correct details, due to a recent change, please contact the main office 0114 2396083 or enquiries@charnockhallacademy.co.uk

CHPA-PTA Update

The PTA sponsored WALK-A-THON was a huge success and we are so proud of all the hard work and effort by all the children who took part. Altogether, we raised an incredible £3,600 and walked 3317 miles...WOW and well done everyone!

On Wednesday morning, a celebration assembly was held to recognise the children's achievements. All the children who participated received a certificate and the children in Reception each received a medal to recognise their achievements as the "Best Overall Year Group"

Each child who walked the furthest distance in their year group received a certificate and a personalised water bottle, well done to:-

Lucas – Reception
Jack – Year 1
Joseph – Year 2
Eva – Year 3
Isla – Year 4
Emilia – Year 5
Ruby – Year 6

We also had 3 pupils in Year 1 who all walked over 100 miles; these children received a certificate and medal for their efforts, well done to Bennett, Bethany and Izaak.

Finally, we would like to say a big well done and congratulations to Archie in Reception who raised an absolutely incredible £850, Archie received a certificate, medal, personalised water bottle and P.E bag in recognition of his fantastic effort.

What a wonderful end to the school year and once again, we just wanted to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who supported the WALK-A-THON.

Raffle tickets have now gone on sale for our Summer Raffle! We've got some great prizes lined up including a 1-hour party at Excel Martial Arts, 3 weeks at Razzamataz, a £50 Body Shop Gift bag, a family pass to Matlock Farm, a £25 gift card for El Paso, and a personalised PE bag from Sistercraft, Tickets cost £1 and can be purchased via the School Gateway. The CHPA Gateway app has now also been amended to allow you to buy multiple tickets in one transaction. When purchasing multiple tickets for multiple people, please indicate in the comment box who the tickets are for and how many (for example, Grandma Jo 5 tickets, and Uncle John 5 tickets). Deadline for purchasing your tickets has been extended to **Thursday 8 July**.

Finally, just a quick reminder that Freezie Friday continues this each Friday, so bring your 50ps. Fingers crossed for some warmer and drier weather!

Keep in touch with your PTA:

EMAIL - pta@charnockhallacademy.co.uk

FACEBOOK - <https://www.facebook.com/SupportersofCHS>

TWITTER - https://twitter.com/CHPA_PTA

Take care and stay safe!

Mr P M Burgess & all the staff at CHPA.