



# Charnock Hall Primary Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

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## Newsletter – WEEK 9

Dear Parent/Carer,

A lovely week of learning and remembering those who have paid the ultimate price to ensure we have the freedoms we enjoy today.

### Attendance

With expectations from the government that we continue to monitor attendance, we wanted to share, especially for those who are new to the school, what this means.

- Clearly the expectation is that pupils are in school all the time, but illness and other circumstances, such as medical appointments will affect this.
- If any children have attendance below 90% this is described as persistent absence.
- If your child's attendance is less than 90%, you will receive a letter to let you know. The letters can seem quite formal but it is important to keep you informed of where attendance is for your children.
- If your child's attendance is less than 90%, you may also be invited in for a face-to-face or phone meeting as part of an attendance panel.
- Please let us know of any issues around attendance, so that we can support you.

All of the above is meant to support and help attendance for all children to improve, and help families avoid fines. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions on the above.

### Covid updates – information from Government

At CHPA, we remain confident in our systems and at this time are not changing risk assessments, to reintroduce further protective measures. This may however change, but this will be dependent on Covid numbers, advice from DfE, Public Health and our updated Risk Assessments.

At this time, there are no specific Covid updates this week, so please continue to follow the same procedures – If your child is showing one of the following symptoms, please ensure they get a PCR test.

- A new continuous cough
- High temperature/fever
- Loss or change to sense of smell or taste

In the event of any Covid-19 issues, please contact us via our dedicated Covid email address – [covid@charnockhallacademy.co.uk](mailto:covid@charnockhallacademy.co.uk)

If your child does undertake a Covid test, it is extremely important that you send the evidence of the results through to the Covid email address, in order for us to hold this in our attendance records. It saves admin staff a lot of time, and you continual phone calls and disruptions to your day if you send this through as soon as you receive it.

### Armistice remembrance

Yesterday, Head Boy, Head Girl, their Deputies, Mrs Johnston and I visited the War Memorial in Barkers Pool and the one at Hollinsend to show our respects on Remembrance Day. Pupils at CHPA all took part in an assembly, which included a moments silence to remember those that have served to protect our country and our freedoms, selflessly giving their lives to protect us.

### Anti-Bullying Week & Odd Socks Day

Next Monday (15<sup>th</sup> November) marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week (or Friendship Week as we like to call it), to mark the start this week, we begin by being part of Odd Socks Day. All pupils need to do to take part is wear odd socks to CHPA on that day! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all different during Anti-Bullying Week. It is an opportunity to encourage children to express themselves and celebrate individuality and what makes us unique. We look forward to seeing children and staff in their odd socks.





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### WOW – Walk to School Challenge

This week has seen the launch of 'WoW' (our whole school challenge), designed to get our children at Charnock Hall Primary Academy more active and travelling to school at least once a week, as well as trying to reduce congestion and improve safety around school. It has been a positive first week with all children been able to communicate how they have travelled to school, and I have heard lots of children saying they have parked further away from school so they could walk and earn their way towards their first badge (Park and Stride). As I write this on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November, I can see that 79% of pupils have taken part in being active this week, which is a great start. Let's see if we can see this figure rise as the week's progress. Thank you to all parents and carers that

are supporting this new initiative and helping their children become more active. At the Learner of the Week Celebration Assembly each Monday morning we will be presenting a small trophy for the class that has been the most active.

### Keeping children safe at CHPA

Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. 'One Kind Word' is the theme of Anti-Bullying Week - 15 to 19 of November 2021. At CHPA, we continue to revisit the qualities of a healthy friendships and how this looks face-to-face and online. Please can we ask you to be vigilant with your child's online security settings. For further information / support on setting parental controls. As part of our link with National Online Safety, we share weekly updates through our Social Media channels. There is also lots of information on our website, in the online safety section - <https://charnockhallacademy.co.uk/parents/online-safety/>

### Children in Need 2021

This year Children in Need takes place next Friday (19th November). As always, we would like to again support his very worthy cause through fun, so we would like pupils and staff to come into CHPA wearing their pyjamas! It could be your favourite onesie, fluffiest PJs and your craziest slippers! As we know, Children in Need is a charity, whose mission is to help ensure every child in the UK is safe, happy, secure and has the opportunities they need to reach their potential. They help support charities and projects who hope remove barriers that are facing children and young people, so that they can thrive. If your child does wish to wear their PJ's, then please bring a £1 donation, which we will send to Children in Need.

### 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.

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](mailto:enquiries@charnockhallacademy.co.uk)

### PTA contact information

As always, any parents, grandparents, or carers old or new would like to get involved, please get in touch! We are always looking for new members and new ideas.

EMAIL - [pta@charnockhallacademy.co.uk](mailto:pta@charnockhallacademy.co.uk)

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

TWITTER - [https://twitter.com/CHPA\\_PTA](https://twitter.com/CHPA_PTA)

### Lunchtime Supervisor job opportunity

Attached is a job advert for a 5 day per week Lunchtime Supervisor, which will start from January 2022. If you are aware of anyone who would be interested in this role, please let them have the details. This will also be advertised on the HPA website and in the Sheffield jobs website. <https://charnockhallacademy.co.uk/about-us/vacancies/>

### CHPA Social Media

If you are not yet following us on social media, please follow us on Twitter using [@charnocklead](https://twitter.com/charnocklead) as the handle and via our Facebook page [Charnock Hall Academy](https://www.facebook.com/CharnockHallAcademy).

If you are a parent of a pupils who is new to CHPA, please send a DM also, explaining who you are and your relationship to a pupil. This then makes it easier for us to identify you and ensures we are able to keep the group closed to CHPA families only.

**Also, please ensure you have the SchoolComms gateway app downloaded, as information will go through this medium. Any questions about this, please speak to the main office.**

Take care, stay safe and have a lovely bonfire weekend!

Mr P M Burgess & all the staff at CHPA

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