Cheddar Grove Primary School

"Rooted in Joy, Growing Together, Learning for Life"

TERM 1 WEEK 8 NEWSLETTER

STAFF UPDATE

As Term 1 comes to a close, our last newsletter of the term is slightly earlier than usual. Please read further for important messages and updates.

At the end of this term, we will be saying a heartfelt goodbye to Mrs Trickey.

Mrs Trickey has worked at Cheddar Grove for over 14 years and has been an integral part of our team supporting many children and families over the years. We are so grateful for all her dedication and support.

We wish her all the best as she returns to her homeland of New Zealand!



HALLOWEEN DISCO

Halloween Disco tickets are still on sale until Tuesday 21st October. If you would like to purchase a ticket for your child, please bring cash in a named envelope to the school office.

Tickets will be distributed to children on Wednesday 22nd October.

Further disco information below:

Location: Bemmy X Club

Timings:
Reception: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
Years 1, 2 & 3: 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM
Years 4, 5 & 6: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Halloween costumes are encouraged but are optional!

No mobile phones permitted.

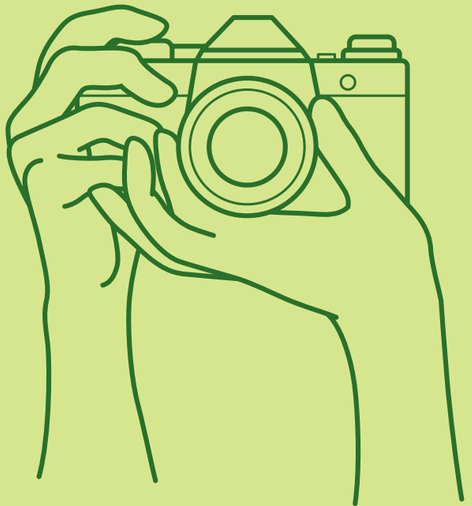
SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

This year's individual & sibling school photographs will be taking place on Wednesday 5th November.

Individual photos will be taken during the school day.

Sibling photos will be restricted to Cheddar Grove students only and will take place in the Scout Hut at 8:30am, first come, first served.

On this day, please ensure that your child is in full school uniform. If it is your child's PE day, please send them in normal uniform and not PE kit.



PARENTS EVENING

The next set of Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday 11th November and Wednesday 19th November.

Bookings will be live on the MCAS app from Friday 24th October at 4pm.

To book a slot with your child's teacher, please go to the main dashboard of the MCAS app and select 'Parents Evening'. Please ensure that you only book ***one*** slot on ***one*** date to ensure that there are enough available slots for all families.

For parents of children in RJM, please note that Parents Evening will only be taking place on 19th November where Mrs Jamieson & Miss Morgan will both be offering meetings. Please only book for one slot with one teacher.

If you require support with booking your parents evening slot, please contact the school office.



IMPORTANT DATES

Please see below for upcoming dates for your diary:

Thursday 23rd October - PTFA Halloween Disco

Friday 24th October - Last day of Term 1

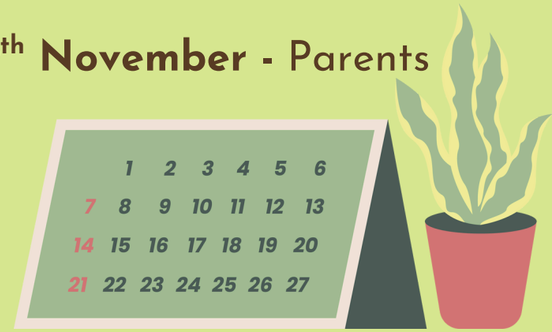
Friday 31st October - Deadline for Secondary School applications

Monday 3rd November - Return to school for Term 2

Wednesday 5th November - Individual & Sibling School Photographs

Tuesday 11th November - Parents Evening

Wednesday 19th November - Parents Evening



OPEN EVENTS

We are now holding Open Events to tour our school for those looking to make applications for Pre-School and Reception for the next academic year.

If you have a friend or family member that is interested in our school, please let them know that they can sign up for a tour on our website.

Tour dates are:

- **Thursday 13th November at 9:30am**
- **Thursday 20th November at 1:30pm**
- **Tuesday 25th November at 4:30pm**



SAFEGUARDING SURVEY

We need your opinions!

We are currently undertaking a safeguarding review in conjunction with Bristol City Council to ensure, that as a school, we are providing our families with the best support we can.

Please find below link and QR code for the survey:

https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CGparent/

We would be extremely grateful if you are able to submit a response. Submissions should be made by Friday 24th October.

SCHOOL CLUBS

Term 2 Clubs

Monday - Lunchtime Choir Club
12:15 - 12:45
Run by school staff | Free club | sign up available on MCAS app

Monday - Tiger Martial Arts until 4:15pm
External club | fee payable | booking enquiries to admin@tigermartialartsclub.com

Tuesday - Year 3 & 4 Hockey Club until 4.30pm
Run by Usports Coaches | Free club | sign up available on MCAS app

Wednesday - Zumba (Year 1-6) until 4.30pm
External club | fee payable | booking enquiries to vicky.k.colgan@gmail.com

Thursday - Year 5 & 6 Football until 4.15pm
Run by school staff | Free club | sign up available on MCAS app

WOW INITIATIVE

Last week, Living Streets launched the WOW initiative at our school.

This pupil-led challenge enables children to self-report how they get to school. If they travel actively (walk/wheel, cycle, scoot, 'Park and Stride' or hop off) at least once a week, for a month, they get rewarded with a badge. It's that simple!

There are 11 badges to be earned from September 2025 – July 2026. Each badge has been designed by a pupil as part of our annual WOW Badge Design Competition. A new badge can be earned every month if pupils walk/wheel, cycle, scoot, 'Park and Stride' or hop off at least once a week. WOW 2025/26 encourages pupils to Walk with Joy, with badges depicting everything from jumping in puddles to painting.
The badges are made in Cornwall from material that was otherwise destined for landfill, including fridge trays, plastic plates and yoghurt pot off-cuts.
For more information,
visit: livingstreets.org.uk/recycling



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Zest Catering have now issued a new school lunch menu for Terms 2 - 4 which is now available on our website and will also be available on the 'Announcements' section of the MCAS app at the end of term.

Halal menus are available upon request, please contact the school office if you require one.



SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The deadline to apply for secondary school places for next year (current Year 6) is Friday 31st October.

As this falls during the half term break, we ask that if you require any support with your application, that you contact the school office by Friday 24th October.

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