



NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd October

Message from Mrs Kinsley -

We've had another lovely week at Chatsworth, including our Harvest celebration, where the children came together to sing, celebrate and reflect on the importance of being thankful and generous. A huge well done to all the children for their wonderful performances, and thank to our families for the generous donations.

We were also delighted to welcome our CEO Lee Mason-Ellis who enjoyed a walk around the school and praised the children's excellent learning behaviours and the fantastic work already on display this term. You may have seen the Trust's recent "Have Your Say" post, inviting parents to share what is working well and ideas for the future. If you would be interested in meeting with Lee and representing Chatsworth, please let the school office know. Have a wonderful weekend!



Mon 5th Oct - Y2
Great Fire of London
online workshop

First Reception tour
9.30/1.30

Tues 6th Oct - Y2 trip
to The Monument

Wed 7th Oct - PTA
AGM 5.30 - 6.30 at CIS

Fri 9th Oct -
Grandparents' Day - 9.30
and 10.45 slots

Wed 14th Oct -
Reception tour 9.30/1.30

Fri 16th Oct - MHST
Parents' workshop at CIS
9.30

END OF TERM

Mon 2nd Nov - INSET

Coughs, Colds & Attendance - We've had a few children off with coughs and colds this week, so this is a helpful reminder that children with minor symptoms, such as sniffles, are expected to attend school if they are otherwise well enough. We will, of course, keep an eye on children during the day and contact you if we feel they are becoming too unwell to remain in school. We know it can sometimes be difficult decide whether your child should come in, so please take a look at our [Should My child Go To School?](#) guide, which gives simple guidance for common childhood illnesses, including colds, flu, sickness and diarrhoea.



Junk modelling - Thank you for all the donations received so far. Please keep them coming! We particularly welcome **small items** that the children can use creatively - rolls and moulded packaging! Please drop any donations to the box at the school office - thank you!





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Evening Tea & Talk Parent Carer Support Group

Join us for a cuppa and an informal chat about anything SEND. Members and non-members are welcome.

This evening Tea and Talk will be a drop-in session for those of you who work or can't get childcare during the day.

Come and speak directly to members of the Bexley Voice team about any issues that you may have related to Special Educational Needs or Disabilities.

We will listen and then signpost you to the right advice and support.

We're a friendly bunch, and it is very informal, so do pop in and see us. There is no such thing as a silly question!

www.bexleyvoice.org.uk

Thursday 8th October 26

The Danson Youth Centre
Brampton Road
Bexleyheath
DA7 4EZ

6:30pm-8:30pm

- Pop in
- No need to book, just come along!
- Speak directly to the Bexley Voice team

More information:
<https://bexleyvoice.org.uk/calendar/item/56880811>



Safe and Happy -

Our New Personal Goals: The Three C's

This week, the children were introduced to our new personal goals: **Caring**, **Confident** and **Curious**. We wanted something simple and memorable for our children that links directly to our familiar **Safe, Happy, Learning** message.

♥ **Caring** - We look after each other.

★ **Confident** - We are brave enough to have a go.

🔍 **Curious** - We explore and investigate.

Each goal has an animal to help children remember it: a Caring elephant, a Confident lion and A Curious fox. We'll be exploring the **Three C's** further in assemblies over the coming weeks and hope they become a memorable and meaningful part of everyday life at Chatsworth.



Harvest - We enjoyed a wonderful Harvest celebration today, with each year group performing a special Harvest song. Together, we reflected on where our food comes from and the importance of being **thankful and generous**. A huge well done to all our children for their fantastic singing and enthusiasm ♥



Learning (Design and Technology)

This week, Year 1 began learning all about **mechanisms**. They practised their push and pull skills by carefully weaving strips of card **over and under** to create different patterns. It took lots of care and concentration and they did a fantastic job!

These skills will help them as they work towards designing and making their own **slider card product** later in the unit. Well done Year 1 - we can't wait to see finished products!

