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Newsletter

Friday 9th. September

Today we join the nation and the world in mourning the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. Her Majesty will be greatly missed by many across the globe, and we extend our heartfelt condolences to the Royal Family. We give thanks to Her Majesty for her service as our longest reigning monarch, an incredible 70-year reign. She served with a sense of duty, purpose and dignity. A reign which will be remembered and talked about for many years to come. An incredible lady.

Welcome back everyone!

The children have been exceptional this week! They have come back into school, full of smiles and have settled into their new classroom routines extremely well. They all look very smart, and we thank you for your support.

School Closure due to flooding:

Thank you for your patience today. Apologies that the closure messages were later than we usually send them, but we had issues with our technology connecting us to our messaging facility. We are currently assessing the damage with the support of the Local Authority. Depending on the weekends weather we are aiming to open on Monday however, should we experience more heavy rain we may need to continue our closure, please make arrangements for that possibility. We will text you by 7am to let you know either way. Thank you for your understanding.

School Meals:

You will have seen on Facebook that Chartwells Executive Chef joined the team at lunchtime yesterday. The children enjoyed their lunch and had the opportunity to try different foods like vegetable risotto. He will be in school next week, so we are looking forward to trying the varied menu he will be producing.

Jewellery:

Just a reminder that we do not allow the wearing of jewellery in school including watches.

Afterschool Activities:

Monday - Year 3 and 4 - Multisports - 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Monday - Year 5 - Drawing club - 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Wednesday - Year 5 and 6 - Girls Football - 3:15pm - 4:30pm

Thursday - Year 5 and 6 - Boys Football - 3:15pm - 4:30pm

All activities need to be booked through School Gateway. There are limited spaces available and are on a first come first served basis. **Activities will be available to book from 11:00am on**





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Tuesday 13th September via the school gateway. You must select all sessions to secure your place. Activities for key stage 1 will be available next term, once the children have all had chance to settle in.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are not routinely allowed in school. However, if your child is walking home alone, they are permitted to bring a mobile phone to school which must be switched off at the gate. It will be locked in a phone locker when they enter school and collected on the way out of school. If you wish your child to bring a phone for this purpose, please add this to the email you send regarding walking home.

