



# CHORLEYWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Autumn is Here!

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Dear Parents/ Carers,

With the implementation of the new national curriculum, changes in assessment, new catering providers and full implementation of the Talk for Writing strategy, it has been a very busy half term!

## Chair of Governors

Last night was Carla Avis' last meeting as Chair of Governors at our school. Carla has been excellent as Chair and has had a significant impact on the quality of provision at the school. She has been an outstanding "critical friend" to the Senior Leadership Team, with a perfect balance of challenge and support. On behalf of the staff, pupils



and parents I want to thank her for her commitment, drive and ambition for Chorleywood Primary School. Following her resignation I am pleased to announce that Simone Tyson, Parent Governor, has been elected as the new Chair. Carla will stay on as an Associate Governor in the interim.

## Parent Governor Election

Our new Chair of Governors has asked me to let you know that the term of office for one of our Parent Governors has come to an end. As part of due process we give all parents the opportunity to be nominated for the position. Please see the attached forms for more information. Nominations must be handed to the office by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November. If it is necessary to hold an election, you will be notified.



## Harvest Festival



During our 'Harvest Festival' Year Four talked about harvest in Malawi. This allowed all of us to reflect on how harvests around the world differ due to the climate. In addition to this we also attended a service at St Andrew's Church. Thank you so much for all your wonderful donations. New Hope were very grateful on behalf of the local homeless community in Watford.

### School Council

The new School Council have had their first meeting and their first actions are to review the new catering providers. Classes will also be discussing the end of year attendance reward. At any session children can bring ideas of how we can make the school even better!



### PTA

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to Tania Ridgeway and Chrissie Booth who have jointly taken on the role of Chair. They are the "Share Chairs". I know they will be very grateful to have all your support in undertaking this role, particularly leading up to and during our arranged events.

### New Curriculum



As I am sure you are aware a new National Curriculum was introduced by the government for implementation this September. We have worked very hard within the school, with the Local Authority and in partnership with several other schools in preparation for this.

We will arrange a parent workshop in January but in the interim please find details of the curriculum on the website. The information can be found on the curriculum page on the learning drop down menu.

### Black History Month

I wanted to thank all the children who produced some fantastic posters to share inspirational figures in their lives. A regular theme of my weekly assemblies is celebration of differences and looking at inequality around the world, not only historically, but also in modern society.



### **Inclusion Leader**

Due to personal circumstances Mrs Holmes our Inclusion Leader will sadly be leaving us at the end of the autumn term. I would like to thank her for all her hard work at the school. Following a rigorous internal recruitment process I am delighted to announce that Mr Dwyer will be taking over this very important role. We have facilitated a significant time to ensure there is an effective handover.

### **Time Capsule**



Today we finally buried our time capsule. So in 2064 hopefully the school will be very excited to be celebrating 150 years and opening our time capsule. It contains a uniform, newspaper and magazine articles about the school, pupils work, class photos and videos of the school.

Have a restful break and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 3rd November.

Kind regards,

Mrs R Roberts  
Headteacher