



# NEWSLETTER

## November 2018

Dear Parents,

Wow – what a busy week! We had a full two day Ofsted inspection of which we were informed about on Tuesday. There were three inspectors in school and they observed every class, spoke to children and various members of staff and were also on the playground talking to parents. The children have made us all very proud with their behaviour, conduct and confidence when talking to the inspectors. I'd like to also take this opportunity to say thank you to all our parents who took the time to give their views, either directly to the inspectors or via 'Parent View'. Your views are important to us and consequently we will be sending our own survey out later this academic year. I am unable to tell you the outcome of the inspection but we are hoping that the full report will be published before Christmas. Rest assured that we will notify you as soon as this happens.

We will be saying 'au revoir' to Mrs Bridge, who will be going on maternity leave early in December. We have Miss Hayes joining us to cover her maternity leave. There will be a thorough handover with Miss Hayes starting with us before (hopefully!) Mrs Bridge leaves. Mrs Wray is also leaving us for family commitments.

It may seem too far away to contemplate but last week the sounds of Christmas carols could already be heard as children begin to practise for Christmas assemblies and the annual 'Carols on the playground'. The lower school are preparing for their Christmas production of 'Christmas Cracker' – look out for further information coming out soon. Next week you will also receive your letter regarding Christmas Dinner Day.

We have many events coming up over the next few weeks so please look at the diary dates at the bottom of this newsletter and keep an eye on parentmail. The office will often send out reminders of upcoming events but we do rely on parents reading them! Parents' Evening is next week but please remember that if you are unable to make these times, you are very welcome to make an alternative time that is mutually convenient for you and the class teacher. However, please also remember you do not need to wait until the next parents evening to speak to the teacher. Staff welcome the opportunity to talk to parents about any aspects of school parents would like to discuss as we believe it is a key aspect of supporting our children.

I look forward to seeing you all next week and at some of the future events this term.

Mrs C Martinez  
Headteacher



You are invited to bring your pyjamas next Friday. Letter will be coming out about this event on Monday

### Break Time Snacks

Children are welcome to bring in a snack to have at break time but this must only be **FRESH FRUIT** or **VEGETABLES**. Alternatively they can purchase something from the snack trolley.



## Governor update

Since the half term break, we have welcomed two more new Governors to the Governing Body: Lizzi Powell, who is also a year 5 parent; and Marian Adams, a long-time Chineham resident and a Parish Councillor.

We have sadly had to say goodbye to Steve Oakley who has been part of the governing body for almost three years.

This week has obviously been a big week for the school as we have had our Ofsted inspection. The school has less than 24 hours' notice of these visits and it is appreciated that you also had very little time to give your views. Despite that, the number of parents providing feedback on Parent View was much higher this time around compared to 2014/15. Whatever views you expressed, your feedback is valuable for the school and its governing body. Thank you for taking the time to do this and to speak to the inspectors before and after school.



## DIARY DATES

<b>November</b>			
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-Bullying Week		
14 <sup>th</sup>	Parent's Evening		
15 <sup>th</sup>	Parent's Evening		
16 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need		
24 <sup>th</sup>	FFLS Xmas Fayre		
<b>December</b>			
4 <sup>th</sup>	Lower School Dress Rehearsal		
5 <sup>th</sup>	Lower School Xmas Performance		
6 <sup>th</sup>	Lower School Xmas Performance		
10 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccinations for Years 3 to 5		
10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Topic Outcome		
11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Topic Outcome		
12 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Lunch		
13 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Lunch		
20 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day		
20 <sup>th</sup>	Carols in the Playgournd		