



Term 6 Week 6 Newsletter

New School Year

This afternoon, the children have had the opportunity to have a 'shuffle up' session to meet their new teachers in their new classrooms. This allows the children time to familiarise themselves with their new class and classroom staff prior to September.

Unfortunately, children from 1NP & 2TP were unable to meet their new teachers due to staff absence but still spent time in their new classrooms. They will have the opportunity to meet their new teachers next week.

Please see below for details of new classes and teachers for September:

My Child's Current Class	My Child's New Class in Sept 24	My Child's New Teacher
RF	1D	Miss Duff
RT	1P	Ms Perugini
1D	2W	Miss Wiltshire
1NP	2C	Mr Cox
2JP	3A	Miss Ahmed
2TP	3W	Mrs Woods
3A	4PP	Mrs Peasey & Mrs Passingham
3E	4G	Miss Greipl
4G	5D	Mrs Driscoll
4PP	5E	Miss Easton
5D	6M	Miss McGaffin
5W	6P	Miss Phillips

Please be aware, children starting in Reception have already been made aware of their new classes.

Parking/Traffic Notice

We would like to remind our school community that it is imperative that families drive and park safely during pick-up & collection times.

We ask that you take care and give priority to pedestrians, do not park on zig-zag markings or corners and do not block neighbour's driveways.

We have requested that our neighbourhood PCSO makes more regular visits to the school in order to combat inappropriate/inconsiderate parking and driving.

We have also ordered school road safety panel signs to place on the road near the main gates to calm traffic in this area.

Dinner Balances & Arrears

Please note that dinner balances and arrears for breakfast club & after school club need to be paid by Friday 19th July 2024.

September 2024 School Lunch Menu

When school re-opens to children on Wednesday 4th September, we will be returning on week 1 of the school lunch menu. However, the roast dinner option will be roast chicken instead of roast pork; all other options will remain unchanged.

New menus with updated dates will be added to the MCAS app as soon as they are available.

If your child is new to our school, please use the QR code below to advise the kitchen team of any allergies, intolerances or special dietary requirements:



Important Dates

Rocksteady Assembly & Concert	Monday 15 th July - 3:30pm in main hall
Year 6 Performance of The Lion King	Thursday 18 th July – 9:30am & 1:30pm in main hall. 2 tickets per child per performance. Tickets to be collected from school office.
Rescheduled Year 5 & 6 Sports Day	Friday 19 th July – 1:45pm on the school field
Year 4 Poetry Performance	Monday 22 nd July - 10:00am in main hall. Families are welcome to watch the performance.
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	Tuesday 23 rd July – 2:30pm in main hall. Families are welcome to watch the performance.
INSET Day	Monday 2 nd September 2024 – School closed to all children
INSET Day	Tuesday 3 rd September 2024 – School closed to all children
Return to school – Academic Year 24/25	Wednesday 4 th September 2024 - All children back to school

Term Dates & Inset Days

Term dates for this academic year can be accessed on MCAS and the school website.

First Aid Notifications

As of September 2024, we will no longer be providing paper first aid slips to parents at the end of the day. Instead, if your child has received first aid or medication during the school day, an email will be sent to you. Please ensure that the school office hold your correct email address in order to receive these notifications.

Fixed Penalty Notice Amount Increase

As of September 2024, Bristol City Council will be increasing the charge for fixed penalty notices for unauthorised absences. The charge will increase from £60 to £80 per child per adult.

Administration of Medication Forms

Cheddar Grove are now using a paperless system for completing a form if your child requires medication during the school day. You can find this form on the MCAS app under 'Announcements' or on our school website on 'The Office > Forms' tab. All medication should be delivered to office staff in a labelled container on the day your child starts the medication and collected at the end of every school day whilst the medication is being administered.

KS1 Summer Sing Performances

This week, Year 1 & 2 have delivered fantastic singing performances to our families. The children and staff put in a huge amount of effort to learn all the brilliant songs that they performed.

We thoroughly enjoyed their performances; well done year 1 & 2!



Below are some important notices – please be sure to read them thoroughly.

Attendance

At Cheddar Grove Primary, we strive to promote excellent school attendance every single day.

Our school gates/doors open at 8:50am and learning starts at 9:00am sharp - children need to be in class on time to benefit fully from the school day. All children from Nursery through to Year 6 need to be in school by 9:00am.

Children who are late and arrive at school after 9:00am will be recorded as late in the register. Please can we encourage all parents/carers to bring children to school on time.

If you are going to be late due to extenuating circumstances, please contact the school office. All absence due to illness must be reported at the earliest opportunity to the school's absence line. If your child is absent for more than one day due to illness, please note that we will still require a phone call each morning for an update on their condition.

For any pre-arranged absences due to medical appointments, we will request medical evidence as proof of appointments – please drop into the school office or send an email to office@cheddargroveschool.org.uk.

For any pre-arranged absences for holidays/any other circumstances, an Absence Request Form will need to be completed – please contact the school office for a form should you require one.

Collections During the School Day

We appreciate that at times you may need to drop-off or collect your child during school hours, for example for medical appointments etc. We ask that you refrain from dropping off/collecting during lunchtime – latest drop-off/collection before lunch should be 12:00pm and earliest time after lunch for drop-off/collection is 1:15pm. If it is unavoidable that your child needs to be dropped-off/collected during lunch time, please speak to a member of the School Office Team.

Children Walking Home Alone

If you wish for your Year 5 or Year 6 child to walk home unaccompanied, we require parental permission. Please provide consent on the MCAS app under the 'Parental Consents' tab.

Items From Home

We have had an increase in items/toys being brought into school from home; these can often distract children from their learning, and we cannot guarantee that these items will not be lost or broken and as such they should be kept safe at home.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property including clothing and water bottles in the main office area. Please be sure to check here if your child has any missing items. As always, we would strongly encourage labelling all items worn or brought to school to ensure that they can be returned to the correct owner.

After School Clubs – Term 1 of Academic Year 2024/2025

Clubs for the new academic year have not yet been arranged. We will communicate these as soon as clubs have been confirmed.

Futura Afterschool club – Daily 3.20pm -17.45pm

After school club bookings **MUST** be made termly at the start of each Term. We accept Tax Free Childcare payments - please email through to childcare@cheddargroveschool.org.uk with reference, child name date and amount paid.

For ad-hoc bookings, they **MUST** be booked via childcare@cheddargroveschool.org.uk and paid via MCAS.

Please see below for the daily menu.

Futura Afterschool Club



AFTERSCHOOL - 3.20pm - 5.45PM

£9.00

Monday to Friday

COLLECTION – Children to be collected from the bottom door in the front playground at 5.45pm. If you wish to collect your child earlier or have an emergency, please call 07721924328 NOT the school office. For queries about booking and payment please email childcare@cheddargroveschool.org.uk.

MENU

Monday

"Make your own pizza" followed by fruit.

Tuesday

Beans or cheese on toast followed by yoghurt or fruit.

Wednesday

Ham, cheese, or tuna sandwiches followed by flapjack or fruit.

Thursday

Sausage roll or veggie sausage roll followed by fruit or muffin.

Friday

"Make your own pizza" followed by fruit kebabs.

For dietary requirements, please can you email a copy of your child's healthcare plan to childcare@cheddargroveschool.org.uk prior to booking your termly sessions.

Cheddar Grove Parents, Teachers & Friends Association

Huge thanks to our Cheddar Grove PTFA that have organised numerous outstanding events this academic year!

We have had Mother's & Father's Day sales, an Easter egg hunt, SAT's Snack & Chat and a fantastic finale of our Summer Fair!

These events generate much needed funds for our school whilst providing fun opportunities for our children and their families.

Please see the poster below if you would like to get involved and be part of our PTFA!

**GET INVOLVED AND
JOIN THE
CHEDDAR GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL
PTFA**

PARENTS • TEACHERS • FRIENDS • ASSOCIATION

**SCAN THE QR CODE
TO LEARN MORE
OPEN TO ALL!**

PARENTS ● TEACHERS ● FRIENDS

To get involved contact: Clare on 07791 406014

**Follow us on Facebook to find out about
upcoming events. Search for:
CHEDDAR GROVE PTFA**

Community Hub

Here at Cheddar Grove, we are lucky to have a Community Hub that offers different resources ranging from school uniform, household goods and support and advice for families at Cheddar Grove.

The Community Hub will be open every Wednesday (term time only) from 9am - 11am at the Scout Hut (accessible by the front gate).

Please feel free to drop in and join us for coffee and cake!

We would really appreciate your support in ensuring that the Community Hub is continues to be a valued resource for families.



Community Hub

Cheddar Grove Primary School launched our Community Hub in March 2023 and it has become very well established. It is a project for us to connect within our school community and bring families together. We provide a welcoming space where you can receive a hot drink and piece of cake.

There is also an opportunity to pick up some help with toiletries, school uniform that has been loved and pre-owned.

The Community Hub is a safe space to interact and receive any help from our team if needed.

We would love to see you on Wednesday's 9.00-11.00 at the HQ situated on the school field.

Emma and Max

Water Bottles

Please remember that children need to come to school every day with a clearly labelled water bottle. This can be refilled in class throughout the day as required. There are still some children coming to school without a water bottle. Thank you for your co-operation.



Parking

Please can we remind all parents/carers of thoughtful and conscientious parking. Can parents please refrain from parking on single yellows and in front of driveways. We pride ourselves on being a community school and as such, we support our community in any way we can.

School Uniform

Please can we politely remind all parents/carers that school uniform **MUST** consist of:

- School logo polo shirt or plain bottle green/white
- Plain **black** skirt, shorts or school trousers (no leggings)
- School logo jumper/cardigan or bottle green jumper/cardigan
- **Black** school shoes/trainers



PE kits still form part of our uniform policy and as such, there should be no deviation from the items listed below.

PE kits **MUST** consist of:

- Plain **white** top/T-shirt/polo shirt
- Plain **black** shorts/legging/jogging or tracksuit bottoms
- School jumper, cardigan, or **plain black** hooded fleece/jumper
- **Black** trainers

Children need to come to school wearing their PE kit, on their relevant PE days. Full school uniform must be worn to school on non-PE days.

Please do not send children to school wearing 'branded' clothing such as hoodies with logos, denim jackets, or football kits as this does not constitute school uniform.



Jewellery

Children can only wear stud earrings and a watch to school. Please no hoop earrings or bracelets.

If any children are not wearing the correct school uniform or PE uniform, parents/carers will be contacted.

MCAS App



We highly recommend setting up the MCAS app if you have a smart phone, due to this now being the main way we will send out communication. We will also be using the system to book breakfast club and trips etc. If you are experiencing any problems, please contact the office.

Announcements



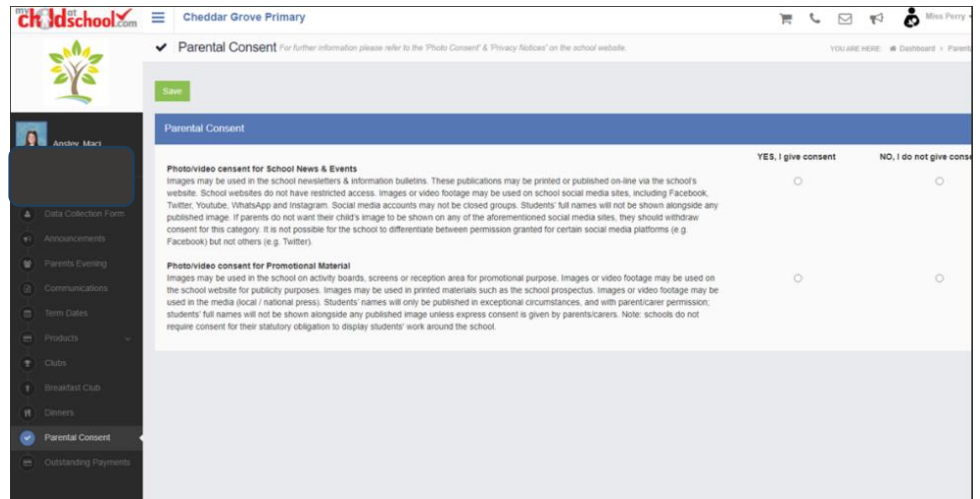
Tap the loudhailer icon on the toolbar. Any announcements posted by the school will display the title and date. To view the announcement, simply tap it and scroll in the message window as necessary. To return to the main **Announcements** page, tap the **< Announcements** arrow. To view any attachments, simply tap on them.

Messages



The **Messages** feature allows the user to receive messages through the **Parent App**. Simply tap **Messages** from the toolbar. To display **Received** messages, simply tap the respective tab and tap again to view the message.

In order for your child to be photographed and images to be used in the newsletter, Twitter/X and promotional materials, you will need to give consent on the MCAS app.



*"Cheddar Grove Primary School -
Rooted in Joy, Growing Together,
Learning for Life"*

