



# Chester Blue Coat CE Primary School News

*Doing everything in love, go and do likewise.* Autumn Week 10

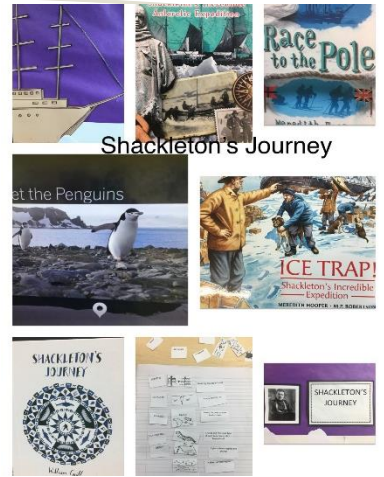
Thank you for your support and understanding this week as we try to navigate through an increase in the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school and significant absence, through COVID symptomatic cases and other bugs and viruses common at this time of year.

This newsletter is being printed as well as emailed as we are concerned that some messages are not getting through. All messages are emailed via our School Spider service and indicate if they have been read/opened. It is essential that email communication is read as we will continue to communicate in this way. Please also download the School Spider APP and login, as you will receive instant messages. A lot of work has been put into improving communication – if you struggle to access these messages and communication, please talk to the office and we will be able to help.

Because of the increase in COVID cases, we are currently under stricter measures in school. Please see the separate sheet which details the measures we have in place and the advice for parents and carers in COVID situations. Please read this guidance carefully and contact the school if you are unsure what to do at any point.

### Christmas Tree at the Cathedral

Our Christmas tree at the Chester Cathedral Christmas Tree Festival has been filled with love; the wonderful decorations, arranged fabulously again by Mrs Pickering, are unique and reflective of our wonderful school. We are Tree Number 20 if you would like to go and visit. The Festival opens tomorrow, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November and runs until Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022. We hope you get to see it!



Year 6 have embarked on their new topic called 'You can do it!' We have started learning about Shackleton's journey to Antarctica and today we learn lots of new vocabulary.

4P looked at the work of George Seurat and used his pointillism technique to create wonderful paintings of well-known monuments.



## Other News / Information

### Chickens

Unfortunately, one of our rescued chickens passed away. We are obviously devastated at the loss so early but it was clear quite early on that this hen was not going to survive.

Mr Hover is building a new structure for the chickens, for give further protection. The 4 remaining chickens are doing very well. We thank the Franklands being the first to look after the chickens at the weekend – please sign up to help on the Google Form (link below). Mr Wilson or Mr Hover will talk through the process on the Friday before your volunteering day.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pA5lpGiyLPQI\\_7\\_bIjzO3o2JoXHUIYC4H53u1bec8BI/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pA5lpGiyLPQI_7_bIjzO3o2JoXHUIYC4H53u1bec8BI/edit)

The children have given their ideas for the names of the chickens and they were truly egg-cellent (sorry!). The winning names were:

Hope, Faith and Deva!

### Earrings and Uniform

Please can we remind you of our uniform policy, especially with earrings. Children are allowed to wear earrings but these must be studded, in the interests of health and safety. Hooped earrings must not be worn as they can be easily caught when the children are running around at playtimes. Our uniform policy can be found on the school website.

### Children in Need

Thank you for all of your donations for Children in Need – we raised a whopping £377.28 for this fantastic cause. Brilliant!

### PTA – Festive Quiz

It has been so disappointing to not be able to do our Christmas Fair this year. We were so looking forward to having some normality this festive season but COVID has not allowed to do this once more. We would like to invite families to an online Festive Quiz on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December, from 6pm. We will be using the Teams to do this; I will read out the questions but we will also use the Chat facility, which will be monitored by Mrs Khalifa, to answer any queries you may have or if you miss a question. I will go Live at about 5.45pm and you could check in by responding on the Chat that you are there and ready for the quiz! Obviously, with the quiz being conducted with people in different settings, we rely on honesty and a commitment to not Google the answer!

To record your answers, there is a Google Form; this is an online form where you can input your answers in text boxes. The link for the form will be emailed to those families attending the quiz.

You can book tickets on ParentPay from today. There will be prizes including for the best dressed quizzers (you could even dress your pet!).



**Christmas Jumper Day**  
In support of Save the Children  
**Friday 10th December**

Children can come to school in a Christmas jumper with their school uniform, or wearing Christmas accessories with their school uniform, for a donation to Save the Children.



**Well done to the children nominated for an Achievement Certificate this week. The children are:**

- 1B – Diego Acerra
- 1MO – Ali Sissoho
- 2SL – Tanay Guntupalli
- 2MW – Dylan Brotherton
- 3S – Serena - Gold Oraeki
- 3G – Leah White and Olivia Wojcik
- 4B – Daniel Kulig
- 5H – Yura Kato and Shie Halsall
- 5LER – Nadia Koba and Julia Kwiatkowska
- 6P – Martyna Konieczna
- 6PWK – Behez Karim