



# Chester Blue Coat CE Primary School

*A place where our children and their learning come first.*

## News

Aut Wk. 3

The weeks in Chester Blue Coat are going fast but the children continue to show great resilience, confidence and kindness in everything that they are doing in school. They are all responding so well to the new routines that we have to have because of COVID-19, following the new rules sensibly and adapting to the changes with the reassurances of the Blue Coat Team.

Monday was International Day of Peace. In our Worship (conducted using Microsoft Teams, with Mr Hover in his Office), we discussed how peace is taught through our faiths and how we can find small, practical steps that we can all take towards peace. We've committed to smile to each other; as Mother Teresa said, 'Peace begins with a smile.' Classes have come up with some lovely ideas about how we can promote peace across the school – 4P thought about creating Peace Areas or a Peace Garden, planting a peace tree and to be kind, helpful, happy and friendly! 6P shared some inspirational quotes about peace.

We thank all parents for supporting the school by following the new systems to keep everyone safe. The Local Authority have issued some further measures from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September. Details can be found in a letter alongside this newsletter – please take the time to read it, although the headlines are below. Fortunately the school has already implemented most of the measures.



Year 2 have been doing some fantastic learning in their English lessons through their wonderful book, *The Bog Baby*, by Jeanne Willis. And the Bog Baby even turned up, caught on camera by CCTV. Inspired by the visit, Year 2 have written some beautiful sentences on their Wanted Posters.

**ALL** adults to wear a face covering on the school premises.



**One parent / carer to pick up and drop off to limit numbers on site.**



**Leave the school grounds immediately after drop off and pick up – no congregating.**



## Other News / Information

### School Spider APP

Thank you to all those parents/carers that have downloaded the School Spider APP and have managed to log in to the new system. Unfortunately, due to restrictions on School Spider, the login details only last one hour from the time they are emailed to you. The office staff are working hard to resend the emails with your details on, at different times during the day. Please note, these are the PARENT logins – the children have been given their logins as well and should not be confused with the parent logins. Please could you continue to check your emails for the parent login details over the weekend. The office will send emails at the following times: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00am, 2.00pm and 6.00pm and Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 12.00pm, 4.00pm and 7.00pm. Many thanks for your support with this.

### Funding and Grants

The school is looking to develop several areas, including the computer infrastructure (laptops, iPads, interactive whiteboard screens, software) and the outdoor learning environment (Forest School, Garden Area, Pond, Sensory Garden). We are looking for potential funding. If you work for an organisation that may be able to match fund or offer specific grants for schools, please contact the school office to speak to Mr Hover. If there is anyone who works for MBNA or Barclays, please get in contact immediately. Thank you.

### Census Lunch

Next Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> October, there will be a change to the school lunch. It is Census Day for schools and the number of children eating a school lunch is very important – the more children we feed, the more money the school receives! The theme for this term is 'American Diner' with Posh Hot Dogs (meat and vegetarian), mini potato waffles, corn on the cob, baked beans, with vegetarian jelly, cupcake or fruit for pudding! There is also the usual jacket potato option for those that prefer it. Please could we encourage as many as possible to have school dinner on this day.

### Lost Property

Items of lost property will be returned to children's classes, instead of the school office. Please ensure that all items of school clothing are named so we can return them to the correct class/pupil.

Please continue to get in contact and we will work in partnership with you. Mr Hover



Harvest artwork in 4B



## Tisa Smoje – published author!

Tisa in 5LER published her first book! It is called 46 IMAGINATIVE BEDTIME STORIES, which was done during the lockdown and for her younger brother Vuk as a birthday present. It is now available on Amazon, and as a Kindle version! Wow, what an achievement – let us see how many people can read it!



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

- RMO – Oscar Gorecki
- RBW – Daisy McCullagh
- 1B – Alistair Smith
- 1M – Sophia Moss
- 2SL – Liam Salvi
- 2MW – Lewis Kinsey
- 3S – Jawad Muhammad
- 3HJ – Tyler Owens-Kay
- 4P – Teona Morosanu
- 4B – Tia Elwaheidi
- 5H – Indie Newby
- 5LER – Lilly Duncan
- 6P – Emma Ade
- 6OP – Maheen Ahmad



Year 6 have been using 'The Promise' this month, to write poetry, setting and character descriptions and to develop their art skills in sketching and watercolour.

