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Dear parents and carers,

And that was the first half term of the year! As always, the children have impressed us with how quickly they have settled in to their new classes and risen to the challenges their new year group brings. Well done Team 😊

Parents' Evening

Our autumn term parents' evenings take place the first week back after half term – appointments can now be booked via Arbor (and lots have been already – this is great! Thank you). We are holding two evenings (Wednesday 8th November and Thursday 9th November) for parents whose children are in Year Reception to Year 6. Parents of children who attend our EMP can book appointments on Wednesday 8th November and parents of children who have SEND within mainstream classes can book an additional appointment with Mrs. Wright on Thursday 9th of November. As with our spring term parents' evening, all face-to-face appointments will be held in the main hall; parents and carers will have the opportunity to have a look at their children's work in their classrooms before or after their appointment time. Pre-School's parents' evening takes place on Tuesday 7th November – in Pre-School. We hope to see as many of our parents and carers attend these evenings.



Thank you to those families and friends who popped in to our Macmillan Coffee Morning last month: it was such a privilege to open our doors to you. Many thanks to the Friends of the school for arranging and hosting it. Thanks to you all for your donations and support – we raised an impressive £465.29

School trips and experiences

As you know, as part of our broad, balanced and engaging curriculum offer here in school, we aim to provide additional experiences outside of the classroom – to enhance the learning within the classroom. Unfortunately, these activities are rarely free and therefore we rely on contributions from parents and carers to make these possible. We aim to give as much notice as possible ahead of any school trip and, when needed, offer payments to be made in installments. We're very mindful of the current cost of living and appreciate all contributions to these experiences – as it is because of these that the children can enjoy such an engaging curriculum outside the classroom. If anyone would ever like to discuss the cost of a school trip – or would like to discuss payments, please don't hesitate to contact me.



Attendance

Well done to those children who received a certificate earlier in the term – celebrating the fact that they achieved 100% attendance in the school year 2022 – 2023. Fantastic!

As you know, our updated attendance policy and supporting documents have been shared with parents and carers and our new protocols are now being closely followed: these include sending letters out to parents and carers regarding any concerns about absences / attendance and providing medical evidence for appointments during the school day. With the latter in mind, the Local Authority have asked schools to share the following information about the NHS app. It may help when evidence of medical appointments is required (if there is no letter, appointment card, text message etc.).

<https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-app/nhs-app-help-and-support/linked-profiles-in-the-nhs-app/>

School football team

I'd just like to give a shout-out to our wonderful school football team who didn't just play brilliantly over the course of the tournament (and finish 3rd ☺) but represented our school superbly. We couldn't be more proud of you all: well done Team Cheveley!

Dates for the autumn term

Please don't forget to check out the online calendar – kept up-to-date with upcoming events for all year groups <https://teamup.com/ksfjvfqm7uh79bp6mq>

Dogs on site

I'd just like to remind everyone that it is Durham County Council's policy that dogs are not permitted on Durham school sites. This is the case for our school – and also includes puppies and dogs being carried by owners. Please refrain from bringing dogs onto the school grounds. Thank you.

October half term

The Local Authority have asked that I share the information on the following page – with all parents and carers. Please check it out: there are some good deals for eating out with the children over the holidays.

Mrs Major

Mrs Major (Gillian – to the children) has been a lunchtime supervisor in our school for 22 years! Today is Gillian's last day with us – before taking early retirement. I, along with all of our staff and children, would like to say a HUGE 'thank you', Gillian, for the 22 years of dedication you have shown to BCCPS. Lunchtimes won't be the same without you – but we all wish you lots of happiness.

And that just leaves me to remind you that school closes to children for the October half-term holiday today. I'd like to wish you all a lovely, relaxing and safe week and we look forward to getting stuck into the second half of the autumn term on Monday 6th November. Take care.

Warm wishes



Amy Goodwin (Headteacher)

As it is important that school always holds up-to-date contact information for our pupils, please let staff in the Main Office know straight away if any of your personal details (phone numbers / addresses etc.) change. The same applies should you change your mind regarding your options on the photographic consent forms. Thank you.



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

M&S CAFES

Spend £5 & get one free kid's meal Mon - Fri during the Oct Half term (various dates)

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 16th October - Friday 27th 2023 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE Monday - Friday from Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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