

# Chapel End Infant School & Early Years Centre Newsletter 15 September 2016

## A New School Year

We have had a very positive start to the new school year. The children have settled well into their new classes and year 1 and year 2 children have made a great start with their new topics. Year 2 had lots of fun in their introduction to the 'Muck, Mess & Mixtures' topic on Tuesday and the year 1 classes had a fabulous trip to Epping Forest to set the scene for their 'Enchanted Woodland' topic. Year 1 teachers were very proud of the children, especially the way that they managed on the bus. Members of the public commented on how well-behaved the children were. It was lovely to have so many parents accompanying the children on the visit.



## Staffing

At the end of September we will be saying goodbye to Joan Smith, our lovely Office Manager, who is retiring. Joan has been at Chapel End for 16 years and she will be missed by all of us. We wish her a peaceful, relaxing and enjoyable retirement. I am sure that many of you will also want to wish her well.

Our new School Business Manager, Rosina Gordon, will join us on 26 September. She will work alongside Joan for the week before Joan leaves. We look forward to welcoming her into the school.

## Dates for your diary

**Mon 24 – Fri 28 Oct Half Term**

### Sharing Assemblies

**Fri 16 Sept** Crocodiles class  
**Fri 30 Sept** Leopards class  
**Fri 14 Oct** Eagles class  
**Fri 4 Nov** Tigers class  
**Fri 18 Nov** Pandas class  
**Fri 2 Dec** Owls class

### Parents Evenings

Tues 4 Oct 4:00 – 6:30  
Thurs 6 Oct 6:00 – 8:30

### Harvest Assemblies

**Wed 19 Oct** Reception  
**Thurs 20 Oct** Year 1 at 9:15, Year 2 at 2:45

### Christmas Shows

**Tue 13 Dec** Nursery (times to be confirmed)  
**Wed 14 Dec** Reception (times to be confirmed)  
**Thurs 15 Dec** Year 1 9:30  
**Fri 16 Dec** Year 2 9:30

Last day of autumn term is Wednesday 21 December and school closes at 2:30.

## Playground Safety



It is good to see so many children being physically active and coming to school on their bikes and scooters. In order to make sure that the playground is safe for everyone please do not allow children to ride through the crowded areas outside the year 1 and year 2 classrooms. Children should only use the climbing frame before or after school if they are supervised by their parent or carer.

We do not want to stop children having a fun time in the playground so we do need all parents and carers to work with us in keeping it safe for everyone.

Remember to check out our website [www.chapelendinfants.com](http://www.chapelendinfants.com) and our new Twitter account @chapelendinfant. Please note that future newsletters will be sent by email.