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'How wonderful, how pleasing it is when all God's people come together as one.'

Friday 5th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

CHESTNUT CLASS LETTER – AUTUMN 2025

Welcome back to the beginning of a new school year! I hope you all had an enjoyable summer holiday. The children have had a brilliant start to the term and have started getting into new routines. Please see some key information below for the coming term:

- Mrs Lewis, Mrs Fox and Mrs Brock will be working with the class every day. These adults will support the class with their lessons and activities alongside myself, with some children accessing some additional support from them too. Please do ask if you have any questions about the support your child is receiving.
- On Tuesdays the class will be covered by Mrs Smith and Mrs Lewis so I can fulfil my duties as SENCo. Ms England will also take the class for one of their PE lessons on a Tuesday.
- Although our PE days will typically be on Tuesdays and Thursdays PE kits should be in school
 every day. Please ensure that your child has jogging bottoms and a jumper in their PE bags
 as well as shorts and a t-shirt. If your child regularly wears tights to school please also add a
 pair of socks to their PE bag and ensure that everything is labelled with your child's name.
 Hair should be tied back and earrings removed for PE lessons.
- A homework sheet is attached, with a range of activities to be chosen from to share during 'Gallery Day'. There will also be weekly tasks set linked to phonics/spelling and maths through EdShed. Your child's log on information is written into their reading record.
- If your child is having phonics lessons they will have a new book sent home on Fridays, but they are welcome to change their 'reading for pleasure' book as often as they wish. If your child is reading books through the ZPD scheme they are welcome to quiz each morning do feel free to remind your child of this at drop off in front of an adult!

Attached to this letter is a termly overview, detailing the topics that we will be covering over the next few weeks. A lot of our learning will link to the topic 'Movers and Shakers', which looks at the work and lives of significant individuals from history, including Neil Armstrong, Christopher Columbus, Rosa Parks and Emmeline Pankhurst. In Maths we are going to start the term with a unit of work on place value and will then move on to developing skills to use addition and subtraction. As always, it would be much appreciated if you could continue working on reading, mental maths and spellings at home where possible.

This term Chestnut Class will also be covering a scheme of work on the 'Zones of Regulation' – this teaches children about their emotions, how these change in different situations and different tools that they can use to be emotionally regulated based on the situation they are in. There are some parent friendly materials available if you'd like to use this language or the tools and strategies at home – please reach out if you'd like to be sent a copy of these.

Our class email address is chestnutclass@croughtonschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely, Miss Curtis