



Chew Valley School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly can I say thank you to the parents and carers who took part in our recent focus group where we reviewed, amongst other areas, our provision for work away from the classroom and also our communication. These evenings are really important to us in order to hear the views of our parents and carers and we will continue to run these in the future.

Secondly we have now settled back into school having returned from our half term break and I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you some details for the coming weeks. This term is particularly busy and we are looking forward to our Sports Day, welcoming our new Year 7 students from their primary schools for their transition days and our Performing Arts week in July. In addition, students will attend our Celebration Assemblies in July, hosted by our Heads of House, with some parents and carers in due course being invited to the House Celebration Evenings.

Enrichment Week 20-24th June

We are really excited about next week which is a highlight in our calendar where students are given the chance, in line with our commitment to them as part of the 'Chew Valley Guarantee', to take part in a wide range of activities / work experience depending on year group. If there are any last minute questions then please do contact the school directly.

Ukrainian Students

It has been wonderful to welcome eleven Ukrainian students over the past few weeks having started their schooling at Chew Valley School as they are now living in our catchment area. We have been really impressed at how other students have extended their hand of friendship to them and we are looking forward to continuing our work here.

Chew Valley 10K Road Race

This event took place on Sunday and it was lovely to see such a community event taking place which is organised by a group made up of Chew Valley parents and carers amongst others. I know some staff and students ran themselves and my congratulations go to them. Chew Valley School Society receives a considerable amount of funds from this event as we are one of the chosen beneficiaries. This has the impact that we are able to spend this money to directly benefit our students so a big thank you to everyone involved.

Governors' Strategy Day

Our governors will be in the School Library tomorrow to work alongside members of our Senior Leadership Team to review our progress with regards to our school development plan and to think about the next areas that they would want to direct the school to focus on. All of our governors are volunteers and we very much value the challenge and support they give the school in equal measure.

Parental Survey

Parents and carers will have this week received what is now an annual survey which is sent out to gain views on the school. I know a good number of you took the time to complete the recent Ofsted survey (we are waiting for our Ofsted report to be published and we will send it to everyone just as soon as it arrives) but can I ask if you are able if you could complete this so that we can continue to look to develop our school. All schools which are part of Lighthouse Schools Partnership Multi Academy Trust (LSP) do this at the same time of year.

Year 11 Survey

In a similar fashion to the parental survey mentioned above, all Year 11 students in the three secondary schools in LSP are asked to complete a survey looking back at their school experience. This will be sent out separately to them all. The deadline for this to be completed is the end of September.

Librarian Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a School Librarian. If you, or anyone you know, may be interested, further details can be found via the following link <https://www.eteach.com/job/librarylearning-resource-centre-manager-1248336>.

Mind over Mile

Students will be taking part in the Mind over Mile event in school tomorrow. Each PE class taught will run/walk their mile within lessons and there will be an opportunity for those who do not have PE to take part at lunchtime to run their mile then. Students are therefore permitted to come to school in their PE kit and wear it for the whole day.

End of School Year – Thursday 21st July at 12.05pm

A reminder of our arrangements for the end of the year with the message that all of the bus times will be altered accordingly.

Can I finish by as ever thanking you all for your support.

Yours sincerely



Gareth Beynon
Headteacher