



## Love • Respect • Shine

At Cheadle Catholic Infant School we **love** and **respect** each other.  
We **love** to learn and let our inner light **shine** brightly in all that we do.

Dear parents/carers,

In our assembly on Monday we thought about Lent, which begins next Wednesday when we celebrate Ash Wednesday. We reminded ourselves about why Lent is so important and listened to the parable of The Lost Sheep. The children were able to tell me that just like the shepherd, God will not allow us to be lost.

During Lent, we try to grow closer to God through our prayers and our actions.

We want to be ready to celebrate the wonderful news that Jesus rose from the dead on Easter Sunday.

Living  
Every day  
Nearer  
To Jesus



### Lenten Cross

As the children continue their journey of faith, during Lent each class will be sending home a 'Lenten Cross' prayer bag containing a holding cross, a tea light and a special prayer to share together as a family during this important part of the liturgical year.

Each class has one prayer bag and therefore we ask that it is returned to school the next day to ensure that as many families as possible have the opportunity to share in this experience during Lent.



The response from families who took home the 'Travelling Rosary' and 'Travelling Crib' was very positive; it was a lovely opportunity for the children to share with you how we pray in school. I am sure that those families who now receive the 'Lenten Cross' will experience a similar time of prayer and reflection this Lent.

**The Lenten crosses will be given out when we return from the half term holiday on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February.**

### **Curriculum News:**

To see what teaching and learning we have planned for the week beginning 27.2.23 please click on the link to take you to year group pages on our website:

<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/children/class-pages/>

### **Reception Superhero Day**

Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No! It's our Reception Superheroes!!

On Thursday the children in Reception came to school dressed as superheroes for Superhero Day.

This half term the children have been reading and writing about Supertato, creating their own Supertato and creating lots of art work about their favourite superhero.



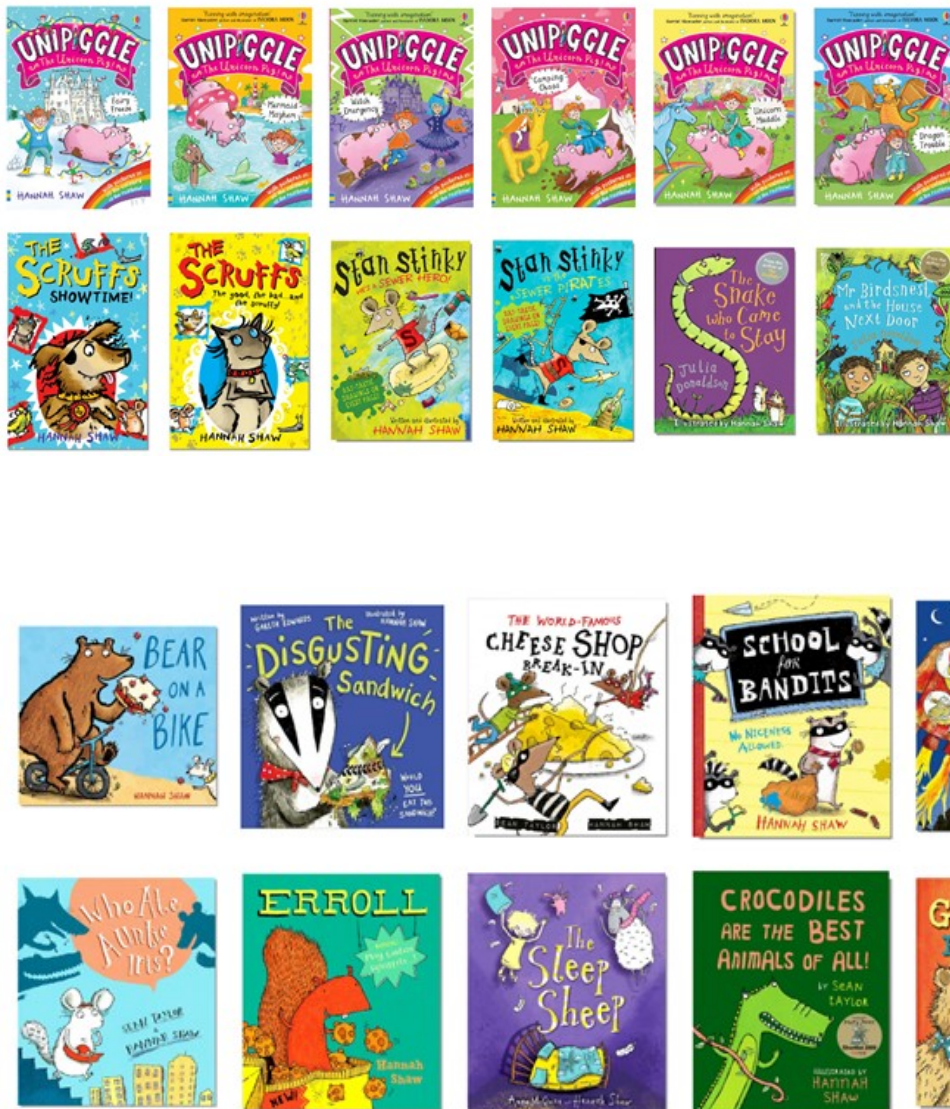
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### **Year 2 Author Visit**

On Thursday Year 2 had a fantastic time meeting the author/illustrator Hannah Shaw. Hannah created the illustrations for one of our favourite books 'The Disgusting Sandwich' and so the children were thrilled to hear a little bit about how picture books are created and listen to her read the book to them. They then had an illustration masterclass, learning how to draw slugs with lots of different facial expressions to show emotions. The children then got to ask her some questions about how she became an illustrator and how she came up with her ideas.

We all came away feeling very inspired and I'm sure there are a few budding authors and illustrators in Year 2 who might be following in her footsteps one day.

If your child would like to read more by Hannah Shaw she has lots to choose from, both chapter books and picture books. Here are some of the books she has created.



### Outstanding Behaviour Awards:

Today in our Celebration Assembly we congratulated the children who have received an outstanding behaviour award from their class teacher.

Well done to the following children who have been a great example to their friends and shown excellent behaviour both in the classroom and at playtimes. We are very proud of you all!





Nursery: Lucas & Libby  
 R1: Isaac L & Lucia  
 R2: Yahya & Una  
 R3: Mia & Sadie  
 1O: Elsie & George  
 1DW: Aoife & Ibrahim  
 1BM: Orla D & Lizzie Mc  
 2I: Sammy & Noofa  
 2NB: Eric & Kaiser  
 2W: Stanley & Harry

### **Class of the Half Term:**

Class 1DW are our Class of the Half term and were rewarded today with a non- uniform day.  
 Well done Class 1DW for all of your hard work and outstanding behaviour this half term.



### **Time to Shine:**



During Half Term it would be a good idea to get out the 'Time to Shine' booklets and see which activities you could do.  
 Please send any photos that you would like to share to our 'Time to Shine' email address [timetoshine@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:timetoshine@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk)  
 We will be holding a 'Time to Shine' Assembly on Friday March 10<sup>th</sup> where we will be sharing all of the wonderful activities you have been doing. Have fun!!

### **Support for Ukraine:**

Thankyou for your amazing support once again! The money raised today will be sent to the Chernihiv Centre for Social and Psychological Rehabilitation. When we have a final total we will let you know.



### **Reception Parent Maths Mastery Workshop:**

It was lovely to welcome so many Reception parents into school on Tuesday to take part in our Maths Mastery workshop with their children. We had over 70 parents/ grandparents take part!.....thankyou for your incredible support.

To help develop children's fluency we teach a daily 10-15 minutes 'Mastering Number' session separate to the main maths lesson. This programme is a DfE funded initiative run by the National Centre for Excellence in Maths Teaching (NCETM) through the maths hubs, and they have recently developed home learning materials as part of this. At the session parents found out more about their child's learning, played some simple fun games and took away a resource pack to use at home. The children really loved showing their parents/ grandparents their learning

There is more information about Maths Mastery on our website. Please click the link below:

<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/curriculum-2/subjects/maths/>



Our year 1 & year 2 workshops will take place on the following dates at 9am in the school hall.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 9am-10am for Year 1 Parents.**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 9am-10am for Year 2 parents..**

**Year 1 parents** who wish to attend the workshop on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 9am- 10am** please click on the link to register.

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**Year 2 parents** who wish to attend the workshop on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 9am-10am** please click on the link to register.

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**Eat Them to Defeat Them** - the programme from Veg Power and ITV which uses advertising and a school programme to encourage children to eat more vegetables returns after half term and we are excited to announce that we have once again joined the Veg Power campaign!!



Veg Power was founded in 2018 to turn around vegetable consumption in the UK. 80% of our children are not eating enough vegetables, with a third eating less than one portion a day. Perhaps the most alarming statistic is that 50% of parents say they have given up even trying. The mission of Veg Power is to inspire children to develop vegetable loving habits.

Every day children will be rewarded with a sticker when they try a vegetable.

**Please look out for the TV campaign**



#### **School Library**

We are really lucky to have a lending library and all the children love the experience of coming to the library and choosing their own books. It is a really important part of our school's Reading for Pleasure offer and also a vital part in teaching your children to love

reading. We understand that accidents happen and sometimes books are misplaced and we will always clear a child's lending record if a book is lost or damaged so that they can continue borrowing. However, this half term we have had to write off fifty books from our library system. As you can imagine, this has an impact on what your child can then borrow. If you think you might have a library book at home, no matter how long ago you borrowed it, please do send it back to school so we can put it back on the shelves for everyone to enjoy.

#### **Attendance:**

At Cheadle Catholic Schools we know that good attendance is crucial to children attaining well, making good progress and reaching their potential.

The vast majority of parents/carers bring their child/children to school regularly, and on time.

Thank you.

It is vital that your child attends school regularly and arrives at school on time each day.

The Government's expectation is that all children should have an attendance figure of at least **95%**

**In order for you to keep track on your child's attendance we will now report their attendance figure to you half termly. Today you will receive a paper copy of your child's attendance to date (Reception to Year 2 children only) . This will be found in an envelope in your child's book bag today.**

**Our whole school attendance target is 97%. This week our attendance is 95%**

#### **Parish News:**

#### **ST VINCENT'S , BRAMHALL**

Good News from St Vincent's



St Vincent's, Handley Rd, Bramhall, is now reopen for Sunday Masses at 9.30 am.  
On Sunday, we are launching our Children's Liturgy "40 day Lent Challenge" leading up to Easter Sunday.  
Come along and see what it is all about.  
Our Children's Liturgy focus on Sunday will be Matthew's Gospel, Lent and the Our Father.

## **REMINDERS:**

### **Online Safety Workshop:**

In order to support parents/ carers further we have arranged for our Local Authority Online Safety Advisor, Tanya Cross, to deliver an online safety workshop for parents/ carers on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2pm in the Infant School hall.**

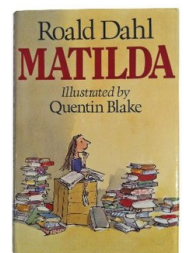
I attended this workshop when my teenage boys were at the Infant School and I can honestly say that it opened my eyes to what I was unintentionally allowing my boys to become exposed to. Your children are not too young for you to be concerned about online safety, If you are able to attend, I strongly urge you to do so.

Please register your place by clicking on the link below.

<https://forms.gle/9RfCY12eBYR7ShCH8>

## **WORLD BOOK DAY:**

**Thursday 2nd March** will be World Book Day. On this day, we ask children to come to school dressed up as their favourite character from a book. We would also love it if the children could bring that book to school with them if they have it, so that they can show it to their friends and teachers. We also know that not everyone enjoys dressing up so if they would prefer they are very welcome to come to school in their pyjamas instead, with their favourite bedtime story.



**Nursery 1 children may come dressed as their favourite character on Wednesday 1st March.** We look forward to seeing a school full of princesses, pirates, animals and more.

As we all love reading, we always like to make the festivities last as long as possible and so we will be celebrating books and reading the week after World Book Day as well. We would like to let you know of two further dates for your diary:

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March: Parent Session with Mrs Nelson**

Would you like your child to be more enthusiastic about reading? Would you like some tips, ideas or book suggestions to help you bring reading to life at home? Mrs Nelson will be hosting a drop in session from **2:45pm** until the end of the school day in the library and she would love to help you and your child discover a love of reading that will last them a lifetime.

### **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 9-9.30am: Drop Everything and Read session**

in this session we would love you to come into school with your children in the morning and spend some time reading with them and letting you show them their favourite books in class.





### **RED NOSE DAY:**

We will be celebrating Red Nose Day on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. We will be asking the children to wear something red to school and to bring £1 for the Comic Relief charity.  
Red noses are optional!!

### **PSA News:**

The PSA are going through a period of transition..... please bear with us! The 50/50 draws will take place shortly and all of the winners will be announced soon.

### **Vacancies:**

#### **School Business Manager:**

The governors are seeking to appoint a new School Business Manager to start in April.

For more information and details how to apply please look at our school website  
<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news-and-events/vacancies/>

If you have any questions at all about the position please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or email.  
[Headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:Headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk)

#### **Breakfast Club:**

The governors are seeking to appoint a Breakfast Club Assistant.

For more information and details how to apply please look at our school website;

<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news-and-events/vacancies/>

If you have any questions at all about the position please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or email.  
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### **REMINDERS:**

#### **NURSERY PLACES:**

Applications for nursery places for September 2023 (born between **1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020**) are being accepted online. Closing date is **31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**.

[www.stockport.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.stockport.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

#### **SHAPES Family challenge**

We invite you & your family to part in this year's family physical competition – BEE HAPPY, BEE HEALTHY- BEE ACTIVE' from home!

As a family, work together at your own pace to achieve 60 x 30 minute blocks of activity in a race against other families in the Stockport community.

Prizes available for all families who complete the record tracker & extra 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes for the TOP 3 families in Stockport 😊

Please click on the link and sign up!

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeBpamJbfKO5Vh3BdbL5NFZtJ-4QnK7png\\_NKrZK73XgsbXoQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeBpamJbfKO5Vh3BdbL5NFZtJ-4QnK7png_NKrZK73XgsbXoQ/viewform)

### **School Dinners:**

Week beginning 13.2.23 will be Week 1, the link to the menu is below:

**<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/parents/school-dinner-menus>**

Please continue to keep our Cheadle Catholic family in your prayers.  
Have a lovely half term break.



***'In a gentle way, you can shake the world.'***

Mahatma Gandhi

Mrs Glynn.

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Congratulations to all of our new stars of the week!

Nursery: Olivia & Hannah

R1: Isaac B & Sophie

R2: Felicity & Brodie

R3: Imogen & Mateus

1O: Nell & George

1DW: Matthew & Isabelle

1BM: Oliver & Amelia

2L: Isabelle & Rory

2W: Isaac & Alex

2NB: Eric & Thea

## Provisional Diary Dates

<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news-and-events/calendar/>

<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b>	School re-opens for Spring 2 half term
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	World Book Day
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Drop in reading advice for parents with Mrs Nelson 2.45pm
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Drop Everything & Read 9-9.30am
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2.15pm</b>	Class 2L First Forgiveness in the school hall
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2.15pm</b>	Class 2NB First Forgiveness in the school hall
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2.15pm</b>	Class 2W First Forgiveness in the school hall  Comic Relief: Wear something red to school £1 donation
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 9am-10am</b>	Year 1 parents Mastery Maths Workshop
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 4.30-6.30pm</b>	Parent Consultation Evening
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 9am-10am</b>	Year 2 parents Mastery Maths Workshop
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 4.30pm-6.30pm</b>	Parent Consultation Evening
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am</b>	Class 1O Easter Assembly
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am</b>	Class 1BM Easter Assembly
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am</b>	Class 1DW Easter Assembly
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	School Closes for Easter holidays
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	School opens for Summer Term
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 8.45-9.30am</b>	Thumbs Up Wed
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	School closed for May Bank Holiday
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am</b>	Nursery 2 Sport's Day
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am</b>	Reception Sport's Day
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	BANK HOLIDAY for King's Coronation
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am</b>	Nursery 1 Sport's Day
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am</b>	Year 1 Sport's Day
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	School closes for Whitsun Holiday
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	School opens for Summer 2
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 9.30am</b>	Year 2 Sport's Day
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am</b>	2L Leaver's Assembly
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am</b>	2NB Leaver's Assembly
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am</b>	2W Leaver's Assembly
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 9.30am</b>	Nursery 2 Assembly
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Assembly 9.30am</b>	Nursery 1 Assembly
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Assembly</b>	School closes for Summer Holidays



