



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and are looking forward to the year ahead.

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new starters and their families. All the children have settled in brilliantly.

## STAFFING

First of all, I would like to introduce myself. I am Peter Halford and will be your Executive Headteacher, and have worked in the Link Academy for 6 years. I was previously Head of Yeoford then moved to two schools in East Devon - Drake's and Otterton Primary Schools. I will continue to be Head of Drake's as well as Cheriton Bishop. I know how special Cheriton Bishop School is and I'm looking forward to working with the children, staff and community.

Mrs Jane Fielding is the new administrator and brings a wealth of skills and experience to the role. She has recently moved to the area and has worked previously in a large secondary school.

Mr Ross Szender is the new class 3 teacher joining from Drake's Primary School and Miss Hannah Strong who is the Class 2 teacher joining from Woolacombe School.

## DAY TIMINGS

Starting on Monday children will go straight into their classrooms when they arrive at school. Children must **arrive at school at 8:40am** and no earlier please. The children will go straight into their classrooms and start working. The register will **close at 8:50am**. If you arrive between 8:40 and 8:50am your child will be marked as present. If you arrive between 8:50 and 9:00am your child will be marked as **'Late'**. If children arrives after 9:00am they will be marked as **Unauthorised**. If you arrive after 8:50am please come to the office and they will take your child to their classroom.

There will be a member of staff on the playground to welcome children and speak with parents if necessary.

## COMMUNICATION

We value close working relationships with parents and carers, and we want to ensure that information about your child gets to their class teacher. There will always be an adult on the playground in the morning to pass

on messages to teachers and you can also contact the school office on [admincheritonbishop@thelink.academy](mailto:admincheritonbishop@thelink.academy). Please do not contact staff directly or via social media. I appreciate your support with this.

## UNIFORM

Uniform with the school logo is available to purchase from Mole Avon Country Stores, Joseph Locke Way, Crediton EX17 3FD. School uniform without the school logo is also acceptable if it meets the below criteria.

- The school uniform is navy blue, grey or black.
- Children should not wear jewellery to school. Discrete stud earrings and watches are permitted, which should be removed for PE.
- Long hair should be tied back with a discrete hair fastening.

## Years R – 6:

- Sweatshirt or Cardigan with logo – Navy
- Polo Shirt – White
- Trousers, Pinafore, Skirt or Shorts - Grey/Black
- Socks – White or Grey/Black
- Shoes – Black

## P.E.

- T-shirt – Yellow with Logo.
- Shorts – Navy
- Plimsolls/Trainers – Black
- Boots with studs may be useful when playing field sports

## School bags and drinks bottles

- Book Bags should be in school every day.
- We encourage pupils to bring a drink of water - please ensure it is child friendly and easily sealed to avoid leakage.

## CLASS AGREEMENTS



In class and assembly time we discussed our School Rules. We have emphasized how important it is to follow these rules so it gives every child every chance to succeed. Children will be rewarded with a class reward system as well as House Points.

We are bringing back the House system and have asked the children to come up with three names that the children will vote for in assembly.

### **TOPIC LETTERS**

On Monday you will receive a Topic Letter from your child's class teacher outlining what they will be learning about for the term ahead and when your child will need to wear their PE kit into school.

### **FORMS**

You will have received a number of forms from the office to make sure we have the correct details on record for your child. Please complete and return them by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September so that we can ensure all information is up to date.