

### Headteacher's Message

On behalf of everyone at Chatsworth, I would like to say a huge thank you and well done to all of the Parents' Association who worked so hard organising and running the Christmas Bazaar. It was so well organised and planned. A total of just over £3,300 was raised and we are so grateful. Well done to all of you! Thank you also to all the families who attended and made it such a wonderful day. There are a few more Christmas events coming up before we can look forward to a very well deserved break.

#### **Apply for Reception and Burnt Oak**

All year 2 parents should now be applying for Burnt Oak. All Nursery parents should be applying for a Reception place. You have until 15th January to submit your applications via the Bexley website.

# **Christmas Jumper Day And Christmas Dinner**

This year we will be raising money for Save the Children. Next Friday (9th) we will be wearing Christmas Jumpers to school. You can donate to Save the Children via Parentpay. This will also be Christmas Dinner day for the Children.





## **Little Miss Champion Trust**

Just a reminder, we are collecting gifts for the Little Miss Champion Trust. This is a charity run by Mrs Champion—our PPA teacher, to deliver gifts to children in hospital over Christmas. If you would like to donate please bring your gift into the school office. Thank you.

## **Parking**

A gentle reminder not to park over our neighbours' driveways or on the zig zags outside school.



#### **Christmas Bazaar**

Our Parents Association worked really hard on organising the Christmas Bazaar and it was an amazing success. They raised over £3000 for our school. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped to support our school. Of course, thank you to our brilliant PA who arranged such a wonderful event.





#### **Nativity filming**

Next Friday (9th) the nativity's will be filmed. You will be able to purchase this via our PA.

## **Nativities**

This year our Reception and Nursery Nativity will be held on 12th/13th December at 9.30 and 1.30. Year 1 and 2 will be on 14th/15th December at 9.30 and 1.30. You should have received a Ping and selected your preferred date and time.



## Last day of term

The last day of term is Tuesday 20th December. On this day the children will enjoy a pantomime paid for by our Parents Association. We return to school on Thursday 5th January 2023.



#### **Attendance**

A significant proportion of our students have an attendance rate of around 90%. Many believe this to be acceptable, but what does it really mean for our students?

A student with a 90% attendance record is absent from lessons for the equivalent of **one half-day every week**.

A student with a 90% attendance rate misses the equivalent of **four whole weeks** of lessons in one school year.

A child who misses school just twice per month will lose out on 18 days' education across the school year – that's nearly four weeks.



#### **Absence**

Just a reminder, when reporting your child's absence from school please ensure you leave a detailed reason



for their absence.
Thank you.

## **Term Time Absence**

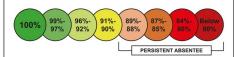
Children have missed out on so much during the pandemic over the last 2 years, both academically and socially. We understand that a lot of holidays have been put back and delayed however, please avoid booking any holidays during term time. It is very important that all children are in school with the exception of illness or exceptional circumstances.



Our current school attendance is 95.78%.



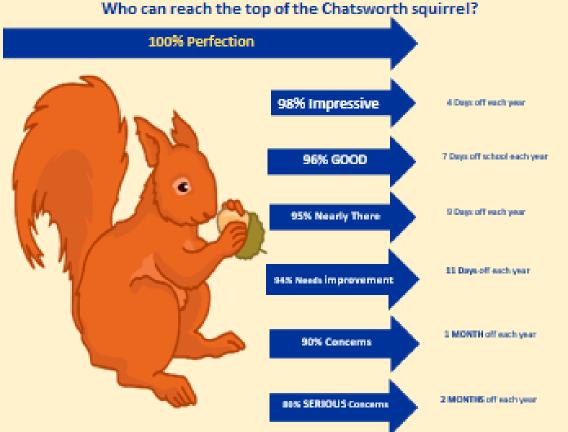
On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

THE HAMBLE SCHOOL

# Attendance Matters





Who can reach the top?