



Message from Mrs Kinsley It's a bit of a cliché but I genuinely can't believe we've hit the halfway point of an academic year at Chatsworth. I do hope that you all have a relaxing half-term break. Please be aware that the school office will be shut and the phones un-staffed. If you have any concerns regarding the welfare of a child or family whilst school is closed please feel free to contact a DSL on safeguarding@chatsworth.bexley.sch.uk. I hope that when we see you again on Monday 24th February, there may finally be some signs of Spring!



Diary Dates

Monday 24th February—back to school

Friday 28th February—St David's Day celebration—wear yellow and/or white to school

Tuesday 4th March—Parents' Maths Workshop and Showcase

Thursday 6th March—World Book Day—come dressed as your favourite character if you wish (but please feel free to keep it cheap and simple!)

Nourish WBD menu too

Friday 7th March—International Women's Day—tba

SAFE This Tuesday was Safer Internet Day and in assembly Miss Turner was talking to the children about how we can **stay safe online**. The theme this year explores how the internet can be a fun and exciting thing to explore, but that it's important to stop and double check before we believe everything that we might see. This is the beginning of introducing the children to the idea of scams in an age-appropriate way. At Chatsworth we teach the children to **Spot the Signs** of things that might seem too good to be true, **Stay Safe and Don't Share** (personal information) and always **Ask For Help** if you're unsure about anything you see online. More information can be found on the UK Safer Internet Centre website.



Maths Workshop and Showcase On Tuesday 4th March between 9 and 10am we will be inviting parents and families in for a **maths workshop**, and opportunity to see your child participate in a maths session. Mr Webb our Maths Lead will explain number and shape concepts that the children are introduced to, and strategies that we use to make maths real and make sense. More information to follow, but please make a date in your diaries to join us—we look forward to sharing maths with you!



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HAPPY LEARNING - Year 1 Jobs Fair



Thank you so much the families and friends of Chatsworth who came in on Monday to share their jobs and work lives with Year 1. It was the perfect exit point for their topic **A Day in the Life**, where they've learned about the jobs people have in the buildings around our school, which people could help us in different scenarios, as well as the design features of different work clothes and uniforms. A really inspiring topic for our children :-)

School council School Council met this week and we began every meeting with the same agenda item as the teachers in staff meetings—with any **safeguarding**, or **health and safety** concerns. The children were keen to share with me their concerns about cars parking on the zig zags outside school, and are also keen for the hash-marks to be repainted outside the gates, so that children "can wait safely in the morning without getting squashed". I agreed that we should add the painting to Alan and Billy's list of jobs and promised to invite Alan to our next meeting to talk to School Council about all the ways he helps to keep our school safe—I'm so proud of how our councilors are really settling into their role!

