



Message from Mrs Kinsley I've had a busy time showing visitors around the school this week. We enjoyed welcoming prospective Reception parents for our first [Reception tours](#) of the year. Then on Tuesday we welcomed visitors from the trust who stopped by Year 2, where the children were engaged in a sensory activity, sniffing pots filled with various aromas and trying to identify each scent. The lavender scent had everyone puzzled, but the unmistakable aroma of vinegar was instantly recognised by all! It was a moment that showcased the children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, and also gave me a sudden craving for chips! As I write we're recovering from the excitement of Grandparents' Day today—our most treasured visitors, and we have lots of photos to share next week! Have a great weekend x

SAFE On Monday, Miss Turner led an assembly on "Safer Strangers and Safer Buildings." The children learned how to recognise trusted adults, such as police officers or shop workers, and what to do if they ever need help. They listened carefully and showed great understanding of how to keep themselves safe when out and about.



HAPPY [Bexley Food bank](#) were thrilled to collect our Harvest donations on Monday and couldn't believe the generosity of the Chatsworth community. Thank you! School Council are looking forward to visiting them next term.



LEARNING Reception have loved exploring The [Naughty Bus](#)! They measured different buses using non-standard units like cubes and blocks, comparing which were the longest and shortest. It's been a fun way to link maths with their story learning!



Kitchen update

Lisa continues to be working hard to provide great lunches whilst the kitchen undergoes repairs. The new [Nourish menu](#) starts after half term and we have our fingers crossed that we're able to try it all!



i-Rock concerts

i-Rock have emailed their students' parents about the end of term performance at Chatsworth on **Monday 15th December at 10am**. Please contact the office if you haven't received the email so we can ensure you don't miss it!



Diary Dates

Tuesday 14th October—Reception parents invited to watch phonics 8.45–9.30

PA discos Reception 3.15–4.15

Yr 1&2 4.45–5.45

Wednesday 15th October—Reception Parents' Tour 9.30

Parents' Evening 3.30–7

Thursday 16th October—Parents' Evening 3.30–6

Friday 17th October—Promotional video filming

BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

BACK TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

Friday 7th November—PA Fireworks

On Friday, the School Council met and chose **safety** as their first term priority.



Their plan: an assembly this Monday on "Staying Safe While Trick-or-Treating." We're eager to hear their ideas!



School Safety Notice: Careful use of language is important when teaching children about safer strangers—Avoid using language like: "You can tell someone is bad just by looking at them." "Stay away from people you don't know." "Never talk to strangers." [more NHS advice here](#)