

CHACE BULLETIN

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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

Welcome back to successful learning at Chace and a special welcome to our new Year 7 and 12 students. I am delighted to be writing to you for the first time as Headteacher of Chace.

This week in assembly I challenged the students to *begin with the end in mind*, encouraging them to visualise the successes that they will celebrate when they leave Chace. I reminded them of my vision for each and every one of them.

To be successful – well equipped for further study, university, apprenticeships and ultimately the world of work.

To be happy and fulfilled – forming positive relationships, enjoying new experiences, resilient and enjoying life.

To be fit and healthy.

I look forward to leading the whole school community to improve on present best through high expectations of work, behaviour, organisation and first class teaching.

As we begin the new year with the end in mind, I would like to remind all members of the community of our high expectations of student punctuality and attendance, uniform and behaviour, and particularly to remind you of the following:

High Expectations of Students' Work – Students are expected to complete and present all work to the best of their ability. I have asked staff not to accept 'second best'.

Mobile Phones are not allowed to be used on the school site. Students' phones should be switched off and if seen by a member of staff will be confiscated.

Punctuality - Students should arrive at school in good time to ensure that they arrive in time to meet their tutor by 8.40am. Failure to do so will result in a same day after school detention.

Uniform – Year 7 to 11 students should be in full school uniform, including appropriate shoes. Kilts should be worn properly to the knee with both buckles clearly visible.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS for PARENTS/CARERS and STUDENTS

SCHOOL FUND

We ask parents/carers to contribute £20 per child or £30 per family as SCHOOL FUND. If parents/carers sign up to Gift Aid this amount we receive a further 25% (please see attached letter).

PARKING and SAFETY

Churchbury Lane and Tenniswood Road become easily congested at the start and end of the day. Please arrange to drop off or collect away from the school so that you do not block our neighbours' driveways or cause congestion. There is a 20mph speed limit outside the school and zigzag lines marking areas where parking is not allowed. Parking attendants and cameras frequently patrol the area.

BIKE LOCKERS

Bike Lockers are available on request. They are secure but bicycles in these lockers are not covered by school insurance so cycle owners use them at their own risk. Students cycling to school should wear a helmet and any student displaying dangerous behaviour on his/her bike will be banned from bringing a bike to school.

PIERCINGS

Students are allowed one small gold or silver stud in each ear and no other piercings. Any student with additional piercings will be asked to remove the item and sent home to rectify if unable to do so in school.

Welcome to new staff joining the Chace team:

Ms Chemjong	Teacher of Maths
Mr Chukwuma	Teacher of Science
Mr Ellis	Head of Business
Ms Fieldhouse	Teacher of Physical Education
Mr George	Teacher of RE
Ms Homayoun	Teacher of Science
Ms Hudson - Boyd	Teaching Assistant
Mr Hussein	Teacher of PE and Science
Ms Husain	Teacher of Business
Mr Ibrahim	Teacher of Maths
Mr Bakhshi	Teacher of Science
Mr Nirenga	Teacher of Geography
Ms Taylor	Teacher of French
Ms Tapper	Teacher of Science
Ms Truesdale	Teacher of Drama
Ms Viner	Teaching Assistant
Ms Wiggins	Teacher of Care and Psychology
Ms Williams	Teaching Assistant

I am excited that **Ms Manipon** will be leading Year 8 and **Ms Roper** will be leading Year 9 while **Mr Halford** and **Mr Greig** join the School Leadership Team this year.

During the Summer, I was delighted to meet many of our successful students who came in to school to collect their exam results. Whilst many students had outstanding results, I am not satisfied with the results and will be working closely with the Governors and the Local Authority to execute our Post-Ofsted action plan to raise standards across the school.

I look forward to working and learning with you this academic year and for many successful years to come.

Best wishes



Daniel Bruton
HEADTEACHER

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AT CHACE

At Chace we insist on high standards of behaviour to promote high achievement. Working together with parents, staff and students we aim to provide a calm, safe, well ordered environment where learning is the priority. As a school we encourage staff to focus on praise and rewards over sanctions. This is outlined clearly in our Positive Behaviour policy available on the school website. Please have a read of the policy and discuss it with your son/daughter.

Rewards at Chace

Students are awarded points throughout the year by staff for their achievements in lessons, form time, contributions to the school and extra-curricular activities. Points totals lead to bronze, silver, gold and platinum standards. At each standard students are recognised with a badge to be worn on their blazer, a certificate presented in assembly, a letter home and prizes. Some additional end of year trips and events may be dependent on students' points totals. If things go wrong, students should take responsibility for and correct their poor behaviour. However, if behaviour is not improved after clear warnings poor behaviour will result in negative consequences and sanctions. In these situations we ask that students accept responsibility for their actions, understand how their behaviour may have affected them and others and resolve the incident so that successful learning can remain the priority.

As we begin this year with the end in mind, we look forward to lots of communication with you about your son/daughter's positive behaviour for learning throughout the year.

Ms Douglas
DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Provisional Exam Results for 2016 - Headline Figures

We are delighted with the outstanding performance of a many of our students this Summer in the GCSE, BTEC and A Level Examinations but are committed to improving outcomes further. The overall headline figures below are provisional and do not take into account subsequent remarks and appeals. A detailed breakdown will appear on the school website as soon as the results are finalised.

GCSE: 48% 5A*-C including English and Maths

A Level: 39% A*-B with 95% A*-E

AS Level: 32% A-B and 85% A-E

BTEC: 100% pass

YOUTH TRAVEL AMBASSADOR/BIKE-IT CREWMEMBERS

Would you like to become a member of the YTA and Bike-it program for this year? We are looking for new members to join our existing team from Years 7, 8 and 9. You must be willing to attend meetings for 30 minutes after school on Wednesdays beginning on 21st September. Our focus this year is to get more students cycling so if you are interested come along during break or lunch and speak to Ollie or Vicky in Prep Room 2 on C-floor.

EXTENDED LEARNING:

Discovering new skills, growing new talents and celebrating success are central to learning at Chace. We are always keen to offer as many opportunities for our students to apply their talents in and beyond school.

As part of our work to improve the quality of our extended learning provision, we have been considering how best to widen the range of opportunities offered on our programme of after school clubs. We are pleased to inform you that as from this September alongside our internally run clubs, we will be offering a schedule of clubs led by external providers. There will be cost for participating for these clubs with options to either pay for the entire half term (with a reduction) or per session is available via Parent Pay.

A full schedule of clubs will shortly be finalised and accessible on our school website along with consent form letters for fee paying clubs.

This half term: PARKOUR (Free Running), "CHACE HUB" Game making club, BBC Young reporter, "MUNlight" Chace Model United Nations, and more to come.

Please do let us know should you have any suggestion or query by emailing fbaurainlevi@chace.enfield.sch.uk.

Mr Levi
Assistant Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Auditions for the school play. Monday 12th September, Wednesday 13th September and Thursday 14th September in AN1 at 3pm .

Every Wednesday at lunch-time dodgeball club in the sports hall. All years are welcome to participate.

Swimming gala event for any confident swimmers at Chace. If anyone is interested please see Mr Adil for more details.

15th September	— Y9&10 boys football training/trials start after school on the field.
16th—17th September	— Y7 trip to Tolmers
22nd September	— Presentation evening
5th October	— New intake open evening
13th October	— Y10/Y11 Q&A evening
13th October	— PTA AGM
14th October	— Y10 Graphics trip to Harry Potter World.

Chace Community School Governing Body

Welcome back to a new term and academic year at Chace. We especially welcome new students in year 7 and new members of staff. We hope you enjoy learning and working at Chace.

Congratulations to those students who achieved success in the GCSE, A/AS level and BTEC summer exams. Good luck to those moving on to new places of learning or other ventures.

The Governing body will be working with the new Headteacher, Mr Bruton, the Senior Leadership team and all staff to make the recommended changes following our Ofsted visit in May. We are committed to improving teaching and learning for all our students. The Governing body welcome any comments from parents and carers and we can be contacted through the school office.



Tracy Garland
Chair of Governors



Tracey Jenkins
Vice Chair of Governors

Chace Association PTA

Our AGM will be held on Thursday 29th September 2016 at 6pm in the School Hall
Nominations are:

Chair	-	Tracey Jenkins
Vice chair	-	Kevin Loomes
Secretary	-	Cathy Archer
Treasurers	-	Maria Marden, Louise Halls

If anyone wishes to nominate any other parent or carer for any of the above positions or you are interested in joining the PTA or finding out more about how you can be involved, please could you leave the details at the school office.

We would welcome as many of you that can attend to join our AGM and short meeting afterwards to find out more about how we raise money for the school and how we use the funds to benefit all pupils in Chace

Thank you - Tracey Jenkins



Chace Association (PTA)

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Support Our School



Raffles galore!

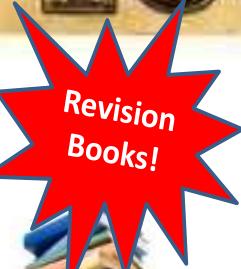
Every pupil benefits
from funds raised
by the PTA



Table Top



Y7's Tolmers trip!
£8,000



School mini bus!
£25,000



Email: chaceassociationpta@gmail.com for further information

Chace Community School requires **Volunteers to help in our Learning Resource Centre (LRC)**

| Do you love reading? Do you want to share that love of reading for pleasure and for information with our students?

| We hope that a team of volunteers will join us to work in the LRC. Ideally the volunteers will be well organised, enthusiastic readers having read some of the classics and keen to keep up to date with the latest teenage fiction, with good computer skills which will support the day-to-day running of the LRC. Of course you should be patient, polite and friendly and enjoy working with young people.

| Your work would include:

- helping students and staff to find the books/information they need
- checking materials in and out using the Eclipse computer programme (training will be given)
- shelving stock, shelf tidying
- dealing with enquiries by telephone
- cataloguing new materials
- maintaining databases and records
- arranging repair of damaged materials

| Please contact Alison Stanley (Personnel Office) for more information and/or application form.

| Please note confirmation of Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) will be required.

Answer Machine Attendance Line

The school has an answer machine for attendance calls which enables parents/carers to leave a message regarding student absence at any time. If a student is unwell and will not be in school, please ring Tracy Morter on **020 8352 8217** on each day of absence.



Thank you for the beautiful flowers displayed in our reception, which are donated every week by **Sekret Garden**.

NOTE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

If you change your home address, home phone number, mobile phone number or email address please can you phone or email the school (8363 7321/ chace@chace.enfield.sch.uk) to advise of the changes as soon as possible to ensure your child's details are kept up to date on the school's database.

Dear Parents and Carers,

IMPORTANT BUDGET INFORMATION and SCHOOL FUND REQUEST

1. BUDGET ISSUES FACING SCHOOLS

I want to make parents/carers aware of the financial crisis facing all schools over the coming three years.

Schools receive an annual sum from the government via local councils to meet running costs.

In order to maintain the same level of expenditure and quality of education for our children, there has always been a small increase each year to cover any increased costs.

Last year schools had to meet a 1% increase in teachers pay and a 2.2% increase for support staff WITHOUT ANY EXTRA CASH. All schools now face a financial crisis because from our flat rate budget we were also expected to meet the following additional costs:

- 2.3% increase in employer's contributions to teachers pensions since September 1st 2015
- 1% increase in teachers salaries since September 2015
- 1% increase in support staff salaries since April 2016
- 3.4% increase in employers contribution to pensions for all staff in a pension scheme since April 2016

The budget allocations we have received for this year and will receive in 2017 and 2018 will not meet these additional costs. Unless there is any change to the current spending plans to meet increased costs, schools will have to make spending cuts. The size of the cuts will vary from school to school, but as we are asked to plan three years in advance, we will have to act to save a significant sum over three years. At Chace we believe all young people are entitled to the best opportunities and do not want to see their futures suffer because of the economic crisis. Our priority always is to serve our students and offer the very best opportunities to learn and succeed and of course, we will continue to do so but against a background of deep and damaging cuts.

2. SCHOOL FUND/GIFT AID CONTRIBUTION

YOU CAN HELP us to minimise the effects of the financial crisis by making your SCHOOL FUND contribution this year.

We have not increased the school fund this year, we are asking you to contribute £20 per child or £30 per family (more if you wish!) towards resources/facilities for the students. This year contributions will be used to help us manage our budget and support trips and activities offered to students in school as well as outside.

I would also ask you to consider making your contributions through Gift Aid. With Gift Aid, we reclaim the tax on your donation. Currently, this is 25p for each £1 you give, so if you give £20 using Gift Aid, it is worth £25.00 to us. You do not have to do anything except be employed and pay income tax and complete the form overleaf. Simply, if you are working and pay tax you can opt to make a Gift Aid contribution and need not do anything else. I urge you to give this serious consideration as it would mean a great deal to the school and our fundraising.

To make your contribution please log into Parentpay (www.ParentPay.com) click and add to your basket either the £20 if you have one child or £30 for a family. If you wish to gift aid your contribution complete and return section A below. Please make your contribution and return section A as soon as possible and no later than 30th September 2016.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support in raising funds to benefit all Chace students. In these times of financial constraints you really will make a difference.

Yours sincerely



DANIEL BRUTON

Headteacher

Please log into ParentPay (www.parentpay.com) to make your contribution. If you wish to gift aid your contribution please send this form in a sealed envelope, clearly marked School Fund, to the Finance Office at Chace Community School.

SECTION A – GIFT AID

Name of Charity: CHACE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION **Registered No:** 312622

Child's name: _____ **Date of birth:** _____

If you have more than one child at Chace, you only need to list one of them – the database will do the rest of the work!

DETAILS OF DONOR

Title: _____ **Forename:** _____ **Surname:** _____

Address: _____

_____ **Post code:** _____

DECLARATION BY DONOR:

I would like the charity to treat all subscriptions or donations I have made since September 2016 and all subscriptions or donations I make from the date of this declaration, until I notify otherwise, as Gift Aid donations.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

My 2016/17 Gift Aid contribution is £ _____

If you wish to pay by cheque please make it payable to Chace Community School



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Dear Pupil, Parent / Carer,

Welcome to Chace Community School. This letter has been designed by The Enfield Police Safer Schools Team together with members of Enfield Youth Parliament to give you an insight into possible dangers concerning theft or robbery of mobile phones, and to give you some personal safety ideas, all with the aim of making sure everyone remains safe over the coming months. I am writing to every new Year 7 student to introduce the work we do and how we can help.

Enfield Safer Schools Police are a dedicated team of Police Officers based in all Secondary Schools across Enfield, who work closely with the Head Teachers, Principals and pupils. They enhance the safety of young people both in and out of the school environment. They also work with youngsters to help stop them offending or from being victims of crime and also encouraging young people to develop their skills, self-confidence and esteem. If you're worried about safety or feel threatened, your Safer Schools Officer will gladly offer help and advice.

As the nights get darker, we often see an increase in mobile phone robberies particularly of the new SMART phones - I-phones etc. Lots of work has been done to reduce the risks of robbery but we still see too many against children aged between 11 and 16. Of those, most have had a mobile phone taken and most of those were i-Phones. Most offences occur between 3pm and 5pm on the way home from school.

Another reason for me taking this step of writing to you is to make an appeal to work with us to reduce the risk of you being threatened or robbed. You can do this simply applying the following simple basic Crime Prevention advice:

Please register your phone and its IMEI (dial *#06# to obtain this) on www.immobilise.com

- The IMEI number is unique to your phone and helps us to prove rightful ownership.
- Ensure you use your handset safely avoiding unnecessary use and showing the handset off. Think about keeping your phone on 'silent'.
- Be aware of your surroundings and who is approaching you.
- Make sure you have installed any available security apps, such as 'find my i-phone', and that you know how to use them properly.

In an effort to reduce these crimes, Safer School Officers and Local Community Officers conduct high visibility patrols at the end of the school day. Some carry body worn camera's to capture other youths hanging around your school which may make it unsafe. We have officers patrolling on buses and at train stations and Safer Schools Officers make random searches of local areas to discover hidden weapons which may be used against others.

Enfield continues to be a very safe borough, but we hope the information contained within makes you even safer!

Sergeant Jacqui Penn

Enfield Police