



Weekly Newsletter 2017-2018
20th July 2018 – Term 6 - Week 7

Wales Camp 2018



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Weekly Message

As term draws to a close I'd like to thank all members of the Chailey community for their support and hard work. We have had an incredibly busy, but really productive, end to term with many enrichment opportunities for our students. They have really responded well to all on offer. I wish everyone a peaceful summer break and hope you find time for some special family moments. Our Silver Duke of Edinburgh students are having a happy and successful time on their expedition and are due back this evening.

Students are due back to school on Wednesday 5th September. Please be aware that due to delays in our building works, caused by Lewes District Council's refusal of our first planning application, I have changed some of our Inset days to allow us to be flexible on moving into our new, temporary accommodation. I will update you on this when I have more information. Please find attached our new and confirmed term dates and Inset days.

Staffing News

Mr Julian Dale

After an incredibly 33 years serving the community of Chailey School Mr Dale has decided it is time to retire. We all wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Miss Rebecca Sinclair

Miss Sinclair has been with us at Chailey for 7 years. She has decided it is time to move on to new challenges and will be joining a school where she will have the opportunity to teach at A Level standard. We are all sure she will make a real success of this.

Miss Tallant

After two very successful years with us Miss Tallant has decided to move on to work in the private education sector. We are sorry to lose her from the state sector.

Mr Buckley

Mr Buckley has also been with us for two years and his 'dance off' at the Year 11 prom this year will go down in Chailey folklore. Mr Buckley is going back to school to study for a masters level qualification and we wish him well.

Mrs Amanda Hilton

Mrs Hilton has been a highly efficient and flexible PA to the Head Teacher. Having secured a promotion she leaves with all of our thanks and very good wishes

Mrs Caroline Peck

After 3 years as a crucial member of staff Mrs Peck leaves us to pursue her career as a PA at a primary school.

We are also very excited to have a number of new staff joining the Chailey community from September 2018. Some of them have already spent some time in the school.

Mrs Samantha Keddie joins us to lead Beliefs and Ethics in the school. Mrs Keddie is an experienced teacher and we are really looking forward to continuing to develop this subject area with her as our lead.

Mrs Louisa Robinson joins us in the Maths department. Mrs Robinson did some of her training here a few years ago and so is a familiar face to the maths department.

Dr Gareth Lynn joins us in the MFL department. He is an experienced teacher of MFL and has already spent some time in school this term.

Mr Luke Burgess joins us from a Brighton school to work as a Science teacher. The Science team are really looking forward to working with him.

Ms Mangan is a familiar face to many at Chailey School having worked here some years back. Some of the students still remember her. She is joining our English department.

Miss Abi Key is joining the PE department. She has already attended Year 9 camp, taken part in the staff relay at sports day and helped us out in school this term. She is no relation to the Head Teacher.

Miss Dani Abbott joins us from a really successful career as both a teacher and a team member of the East Sussex Behaviour and Attendance Service. She will lead our new Re-engagement Unit. She will be very ably supported by **Mr Jack Trott**, a qualified Maths teacher, who will support her in the development of the unit.

Mrs Gemma Scott will be the Head Teacher's PA. Mrs Scott has had a successful career in both a school environment and working for the National Association of Head Teachers.

Miss Nicola Brooks is going to become one of our team of highly efficient and supportive Teaching Assistants. We welcome her, and all our new staff to our school.

Transport Arrangements 2018-2019

Seaford & District have confirmed a route and timetable for their new school bus service - the 149 from Scaynes Hill/Haywards Heath & Lindfield.

The route of the service has been designed to take into account the areas with the greatest concentrations of pupils whose parents have expressed an interest in travelling. It is recognised that the route is more circuitous than is ideal for those in Scaynes Hill, though this is necessary so as to serve Wivelsfield Green en - route (where it will replace the CS2). Without Wivelsfield Green pupils the new service would not be financially viable for the bus operator. This is a great step forward and I hope as many families as possible use it. In this way we can continue to develop the service from this area.

Please refer to the Seaford and District website for details of the new route and timetable.

Second Hand Uniform

On Thursday 26th July there will be a second hand uniform sale between 10am-12pm in the reception area at school. All items in stock will be on sale.

So if you are having a clear out of uniform please remember that we do have this second hand uniform service and your donations of good quality items are very much appreciated especially prior to the 26th July sale.

Please can I ask parents/carers of Year 11 to remember about this service; we could really do with some bigger size items to sell on.

Thank you again (sue222@btinternet.com)

Students Success

Congratulations to Charlotte and Dylan Forbes on achieving their black belts in Tai Kwando.

Congratulations to Hannah Went on passing her Grade 3 Cello Exam.

Tai Kwando

Last Friday some of our Year 9 students enjoyed a taster Tai Kwando session courtesy of our own black belt and qualified coach Mr Robinson. Everyone got stuck in and we were very impressed with their focus and team work.



Quad Clearing

Last week some Year 7 volunteers helped to weed and plant in the quad. After all their hard work, the area now looks much tidier.



Holiday Opening Times

Our Reception Office will be open from 10.00am to 2.00pm on the following dates of the summer holiday: 24th, 25th, 26th July, 31st July, 1st August and 2nd August.

EduLink App

We have had a good response so far following the introduction of the EduLink App, which is designed to make communications between home and school much easier. From mid-September EduLink will be the sole form of communication we will be using to communicate with you. Please could we therefore encourage those of you who have yet to do so to activate your account. An email has been sent to you with your activation details. If you experience any problems setting up your account, we advise you to go to the EduLink website where you can get advice and guidance on activating your account. Should you experience any issues with using the app, we recommend you contact Mr Glen Mayhew via email at: gmayhew@chaileyschool.org

Consultation on East Sussex Music Provision

East Sussex Music Service is under threat. There is now a consultation on the proposal to close all small group and individual music tuition. We have a higher percentage of students taking advantage of this brilliant service than any other school in East Sussex. Please help us to bring some pressure to save the service. Even if you have already signed a petition or written a letter please take part in this official consultation. The consultation is open until 27th July 2018.

<https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/childrens-services/eastsussexmusic/>

Alumni Network

Do you know an ex-student of Chailey School?

The school runs an Alumni Network which keeps in touch with past students and associates. Through this network we can seek outside speakers to provide talks or presentations to students covering a wide range of employability sectors.

If you are a former student at Chailey or know of someone who is, and would like to get involved, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Please contact Mrs Bodner
sbodner@chaileyschool.org

Term Dates and Inset Days 2018-2019

Term Dates

Term One

Wednesday 5th September 2018 to Friday 19th October 2018

Term Two

Monday 29th October 2018 to Wednesday 19th December 2018 (12.50pm finish)

Term Three

Thursday 3rd January 2019 to Friday 15th February 2019

Term Four

Monday 25th February 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019

Term Five

Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to Friday 24th May 2019

Term Six

Monday 3rd June to Friday 19th July 2019 (12.50pm finish)

Inset Days

Monday 3rd September

Tuesday 4th September

Friday 30th November

Monday 22nd July

Tuesday 23rd July

Please note that there will be an additional two to three closure days to allow the school to move to temporary accommodation for our building works. We will give parents/ carers as much notice of this as possible.