

Head Teacher: Miss Melanie Scull

Friday November 8th 2024

Week 9,

The end of the first week of Autumn Term 2! It has been getting increasingly cold and dark, but we are still as active as ever here at Chase Side. We were trying our best to brighten the weather situation today with our first Rainbow Day of the year; children looked lovely wearing their bright outfits – thank you to all of you who donated to FOCS for the **Christmas Fayre** which is on **Saturday 23rd November** from **12pm until 3pm**; it would be lovely to see many of you there!

We had parents in on Wednesday morning for a meeting which told them all about how we teach phonics at school. Phonics is a very important aspect of a child's early reading development and we had a huge turnout of parents who were clearly wanting to learn a bit more! Please see our website for further information.

Many of you will have dropped your bikes off on Thursday morning in order to be assessed by 'Dr Bike'! We hope that this has helped to find out any problems that may need fixing, especially when riding in the wet and cold conditions over the winter.

The girls football team had their last fixture on Tuesday and although they only played one match, they came away victorious again!!! This win, added to their other performances meant that they came second in the league! This is an amazing achievement and we all wish them our congratulations; well done girls we are very proud!

Next week continues to be busy... Continuing on a footballing theme, we have some coaches from Tottenham Hotspur coming in to offer sessions for all children in years 2 – 6 at some point in the week next week. It will be on one of their PE days so parents will not need to worry about which day they send their children in active uniform.

We also have our Reading Volunteers starting next week which we are very excited about; this is a group of parents who will be giving up their time in order to come in and read with some of our children! Parents are also welcomed into the school next **Thursday 14th November at 9.10am** in order to participate in our **Reading Cafes**! It would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

Important dates:

- Children in Need Day – **Friday 15th November**; children are encouraged to come dressed in a pair of (warm) pyjamas!
- FOCS Christmas Fayre – **Saturday 23rd November from 12pm – 3pm.**

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend! Hope that you are able to stay warm!

Stronger Together,



Mr Hitchens