



Chew Valley School

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Dear Parents and Carers

The school stopped for half term last week as far as lessons were concerned, however much was going on. Rehearsals for the School Production, which is currently running, were taking place in the School Hall whilst at the same time over eighty students on two coaches headed off for the ski trip to Austria. I am indebted to the staff who freely gave up their time in order for these activities to take place and as ever we are incredibly proud of the conduct of the students involved.

We are looking forward to World Book Day events next week, details of which are attached, ending on Friday 7th March, with staff and students taking the opportunity to come dressed up as their favourite characters. At lunchtime on that day, we will have a catwalk in the School Hall where prizes will be given.

As I have mentioned in previous letters, we have been spending some time with students reminding them around our values of mutual respect and positive relationships which so many of them demonstrate on a daily basis. Mr Stirling-Turner kindly put together this term's Expectation Assembly which was delivered online in tutor time due to the fact that the Hall is set up for the School Production.

We are currently still running our **consultation on mobile phone usage** and if you have not had the opportunity to complete the questionnaire around this then please do so using [this link](#). The consultation closes on Tuesday 4th March.

Both Year 11 and 13 students have returned to school for the run up towards their examinations in the summer. We are in the process of interviewing each of the Year 11 students around their studies and their aspirations for courses and the world of work next year, either here at Chew Valley or elsewhere. Year 13 students I know are receiving offers for universities, apprenticeships and the world of work too and we are looking to support them all as they move towards this.

Although we have only just returned from half term, can I let you know that we **break for Easter on Friday 4th April which will be a full day, finishing at 3.20pm**. We **return** to school on **Wednesday 23rd April** following a staff INSET day on Tuesday 22nd April.

Year 8 have their **Parents' Evening** on **Wednesday 5th March** (details for booking appointments have already been sent) with **Year 12** following on **Thursday 13th March** (details for booking appointments will be sent in due course) and we are looking forward to seeing parents and carers online in the coming weeks.

Finally, a reminder that if any parent or carer would like a tour around Chew Valley School during the school day then we would be delighted to be able to facilitate this for you. Please email nlane@chewvalleyschool.co.uk in the first instance, indicating some suitable times, and we will look to accommodate this.

Please do contact us with any questions you might have or visit our website at <https://www.chewvalleyschool.co.uk/> for further information.

With best wishes,

Gareth Beynon
Headteacher

CHEW VALLEY WORLD BOOK DAY 2025

EVENTS RUNNING 3RD FEB - 7TH MARCH

1. Monday 3rd February – Friday 7th March: **Y8 Readathon**
2. Monday 24th February – Friday 7th March: **Potato Head House Event**
3. Monday 24th February – Friday 7th March: **Book Sale & Giveaway**
4. Monday 24th February – Wednesday 5th March: **Y7 Diversity Book Race**
5. Friday 28th February, lunchtime: **Diversity Code-Breakers House Event**
6. Tuesday 4th March, lunchtime: **Speed-Dating Stories** (sign-up needed)
7. Wednesday 5th March-Thursday 6th March: **Y7 Katherine Rundell Waterstones Interview**
8. Thursday 6th March: **Y9 Carnegie Shadowing Award Celebration**
9. Friday 7th March: **Book Fancy Dress & Catwalk**

HUGE House Points
available for
participation and for
winners!
Overall World Book
Day Winning House
= 2500 points!

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