



11th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

• Next Wednesday your child will spend some time with their new class teacher. Due to Covid restrictions this will not be in their new classroom but instead their new teacher will come to their current classroom and be socially distanced. Attached to this letter you will find all the staffing details for next academic year.

There will be some changes to which classrooms year groups are in. This is to accommodate the needs of the children in each year group. Our current Year 3 will remain downstairs for Year 4 but switch classrooms for a new start. The new Year 3 will be located upstairs. Our current Year 2 will spend some time next week going up and down the stairs to find out what the classrooms are like and the routines of 'upstairs'!

Next academic year (from September) we are hoping to operate on a more 'normal' basis. We are yet to receive guidance from the DfE on Covid protocols and risk assessments but are hoping to operate a 'soft start' to the school day. This will mean the doors to the school will be open from 8:45am and the children will make their own way to their classroom. ALL children will need to be in their classrooms, ready for learning at 8:55am. See the table below for where children will enter the school. Collection times will remain slightly staggered to allow for the collection of siblings and to ease congestion.

As you will see we are very sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Donaghy this year, who has secured a promotion closer to her home. Miss Donaghy has been a huge influence to many children at Chestnuts and we are certainly going to miss her. I wish her the best of luck in her new adventure. We are also very excited for Miss Linares, who is having her first child at the end of this year.

To cover these teachers we have employed a new teacher and warmly welcome Mr Burke to the Chestnuts team. Mr Gooden is returning to be a full time class teacher in Year 6.

In the first few weeks of September we will have 'welcome to year...' meetings. These will be an opportunity for you to find out about the expectations of the year group. We hope these meetings will take place in person but they may be virtual.

Thank you for all your support in this difficult year. Let's hope for more normality next year!

Mrs Horwood



Be Safe Be Engaged Be Respectful Be Ready

Classes for Next Year

Current class	New class	Teacher	Support staff
	Carle	Miss Corona	Ms Mulla Ms Robinson
	Ahlberg	Miss Barrett	Ms Seye Ms Jafri
	Donaldson	Ms Mower (Mon-Thurs) Ms Esin (Fri)	Ms Stavrou Ms Jafri
Donaldson	Hadid	Mr Gilbert	Ms Castro Ms Kalli
Ahlberg	Mozart	Ms Griffiths (Mon- Wed) Ms Ryan (Wed - Fri)	Ms Woodhall Ms Vikki
Hadid	Seacole	Ms Sarwar	Ms Green
Mozart	Bolt	Ms Sulejmanovic	Ms Mills
Seacole	Attenborough	Ms Livingstone	Miss Junior
Bolt	Dahl	Ms Pieri (Mon - Wed) Ms Yong (Wed - Fri)	Ms Ellis
Attenborough	Gandhi	Ms Sarler	Ms Rosa
Dahl	Fibonacci	Mr Burke	Ms Watson
Fibonacci	Thompson	Ms Gordon	Ms Ashleigh
Gandhi	Pankhurst	Ms Potter	Ms Rock
Thompson	Mandela	Ms Pozsonyi (Ms Agnes)	Ms Roberts Ms Chilli
Pankhurst	Malala	Mr Gooden	Mr Stewart

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..... **Drop off and Collection Information**

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Class	Entrance	collection time	collection point
Nursery	Nursery entrance		
Ahlberg	Reception back doors	3:15pm	Reception back do
Donaldson	Reception back doors	3:15pm	Reception back do
Mozart	Entrance in KS1 playground (Green door)	3:15pm	Green door in KS1 playground nearest garden room
Hadid	Entrance in KS1 playground (Green door)	3:15pm	Green door in KS1 playground nearest garden room
Seacole	Entrance in KS1 playground (Green door)	3:15pm	Green door in KS1 playground nearest Black Boy lane
Bolt	Entrance in KS1 playground (Green door)	3:15pm	Green door in KS1 playground nearest Black Boy lane
Attenborough	Door entrance nearest Etherley road in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground neo swimming pool
Dahl	Door entrance nearest Etherley road in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground neo swimming pool
Gandhi	Door entrance nearest Etherley road in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground in t centre
Fibonacci	Door entrance nearest Etherley road in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground in th centre
Pankhurst	Door entrance nearest front gate in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground in th centre
Thompson	Door entrance nearest front gate in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground in the centre
Malala	Door entrance nearest front gate in KS2	3:20pm	KS2 playground neo main school entran
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Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th July

Malala Performance "Shakespeare Rocks" at 5pm—Change of date

Tuesday 13th July

Mandela Performance "Shakespeare Rocks" at 5pm

Friday 16th July 3-4.30pm

Meet the PSA in Chestnuts Park

Friday 9th July

End of Year reports go home

Wednesday 21st July 1.30pm

End of Term (No After School Club) Nursery Block 1 Closes at 11.30am Full time Closes at 1.30pm Block 2 finishes on 16th July

Thursday 2nd September

Back to school

Year 6 Performance of Shakespeare Rocks

Malala Class will now take place on Monday 12th July.

Please come along and enjoy your child's performance of Shakespeare Rocks. The performance will take place outside in the KS1 Playground and will last for approximately 50 minutes. Both classes will perform on both days but we ask parents/carers to come on either Monday 12th for Malala Parents and Tuesday 13th for Mandela parents in order to keep the numbers down.

Nursery <

The nursery children have loved seeing the butterflies emerge from their long sleep in their chrysalis. We have given them some juicy oranges to enjoy! We look forward to watching them get stronger and watching them fly away to join their butterfly friends in the school garden.







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whit we have done this week



Ahlberg





been learning different clapping rhymes. So far we have learnt 'Double Double', 'ABC' and 'See See My Playmate'. If you would like to learn them too we would be happy to teach you!

We have

Mozart

As part of our 'School Days' topic, Mozart class have been looking at the location of Chestnuts Primary school and also sketching birds eye maps of the school. We used Google Earth and Google maps to help us



Today was a big day for our butterflies. It was very exciting to watch them fly away and we hope that they will come and visit us soon .

Donaldson

Hadid



For our topic 'School Days' we have been creating our own school building models using construction toys and cardboard boxes. We had a lot of fun creating these models. Some were as tall as us!



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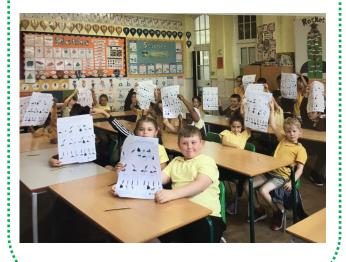
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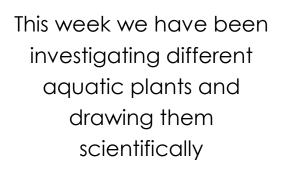
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Attenborough

In Computing lessons this week we have been learning how to create and use a binary tree to sort different animals according to their characteristics. The children worked with their partners to devise questions to sort the animals.







In design and technology we have been designing and creating our very own beach huts. We used various materials to create them. Bol





We have been learning about the artist Joseph Turner, who was born in April 1775 in Covent Garden, London. He was known as one of the greatest masters of watercolour landscapes. Inspired by his amazing paintings, we have been experimenting with water colours ourselves.





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Fibonacci



We used a range of historical sources to create a quiz about the Native American Iroquois Tribe and their significance prior to Christopher Columbus' colonization.





S Thompson

Children worked in a group and created a poster about different Egyptian gods. They had lots of fun adding their own unique details.

Work done by Isabel L, Ava, Nesem and Lashay.



In the last PSHE class Gandhi class were learning about puberty. To make it easier to ask questions this white tub was handed around every table for anyone that had a question, As you can see it was filled higher than the brim. There were so many thoughtful questions from both the boys and girls.



Pankhurst

Gandh

We have enjoyed lots of Science this week. We have been investigating solutions, states of matter, and reversible and irreversible changes.



Y6 Trippers!

Y6 Remainers!

Our Year 6 Remainers have not missed out by not going on the trip and have had a fantastic time doing activities at school.

They have enjoyed pizza making, swimming, jam making and creating fabulous floral displays to mention but a few!



Our Year 6 Trippers have had a wonderful time at the Adur Centre in Shoreham! They have had a fantastic time rock climbing, kayaking, raft building, learning bushcraft, orienteering, climbing and much more!

The evenings have been spent with BBQ's and camp fires. Apparently the only drawback was the beds were not as comfortable as the ones at home!



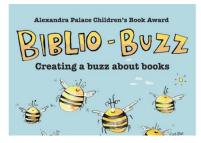
NOTICE OF IMPORTANT BUILDING WORK AT SCHOOL

From 6th July we have major building work starting on the school building which will go on, in various phases, for the next two years. This work is long overdue and we are very excited to finally not have a leaky roof (amongst other things!)

With this in mind from Tuesday the side entrance to the playground on Etherley Road will be closed off. This will mainly affect Malala and Fibonacci Classes who will now need to enter and leave the school through the gate on Black Boy Lane until the end of term.

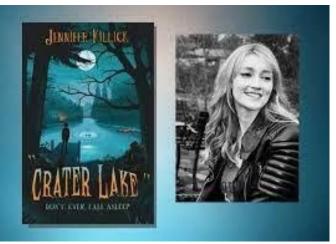
We apologise for the disruption but please bear with us.

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This term, our Year 6 Book Group have been reading and discussing the 6 books shortlisted for the Biblio-buzz Alexandra Palace Children's Book Award. Schools across the borough have now voted.

And the winner is....



Crater Lake, by Jennifer

Killick, who was a very popular visitor to our school 3 years ago... Our book group said of the book: 'It's a thrilling book about a residential trip. Watch out for the wasps!'

Zone

I look forward to our current Year 4s and 5s taking part next year ! Alongside the 3 other school librarians who shortlist for the award, I am now burying my head in lots of new books to choose!



Toppsta is a children's book review website, safely

designed for use by children, their families or their school.

This summer they are running a book review competition, with weekly prizes of £50 book tokens and more!

The reviews for this competition have to be about the specific books in this poster.

Ms Efthymiou can give further details to those children who are interested, including how to enter...

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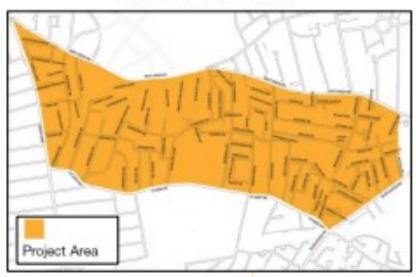


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