



Chestnuts Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

As usual it is a really busy lead up to the Easter holidays. Please keep an eye on your newsletters or the notice board outside the school.

I am very sorry to let you know that our School Counsellor Stella Morgan will be leaving us at Easter. She has worked with our school for the last 10 years giving valuable assistance to our students, helping them with their academic goals and their social and personal development. She has been a marvellous asset to all of us here and she will be greatly missed. Stella leaves us to become a trainer to other counsellors. We wish her the best of luck! We are currently in the process of recruiting a replacement counsellor through Hope in Tottenham. Watch this space!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Horwood

School Spider

Don't forget you can download the school Spider app on your phones so that you don't miss out on important school information.

Dates for your diary



- **Monday 1st April** – Year 3 trip to Sikh Temple
- **Tuesday 2nd April** – Mozart Parent Lunch
- **Tuesday 2nd April** – Haringey Council Book Awards (Selected Y5 + Y6)
- **Tuesday 2nd April** – Violin Concert at 10am
- **Wed 3rd April** – Boudicca Class Assembly
- **Wed 3rd April** – In School Dance Competition
- **Thurs 4th April** – Brainy Maths Celebration Assembly
- **Friday 5th April** – Piano Concert - 2pm
- **Friday 5th April** – End of Term 3:30/3:35pm
- **Tuesday 23rd April** – Back to School
- **Thursday 25th April** – Y1–Y6 Relationship Education Meeting at 9am

Volunteers wanted for The Chestnuts Career Carousel 2019

Friday 21 June: 9am–12:30pm

What did you want to do for a living when you were 11? What job do you do now? Career-related learning has become an important part of the primary school curriculum. For the last couple of years Chestnuts PSA have arranged Career Carousels which have been beneficial to the children's career learning since:

- it gives them an idea of the less obvious jobs around
- gets them to start asking career-related questions
- makes them realise that it's fine to change their minds and boosts their confidence in relation to speaking to adults that they have not met before.

As a volunteer, you would get to relax behind a desk and be approached by several small groups of year sixes, who would be prepped to ask you some questions about your work. It's a relaxed informal morning and there is no need to prepare anything. Can you help us to enthuse our year sixes about possible future careers? If so, please let **joannerampl@hotmail.com** or **helenwaters@yahoo.co.uk** know if you would like a stall? Alternatively, you can sign up online: <https://volunteersignup.org/events/summary/218190>.

New Girls Football Kit



Year 6 PGL Adventures and "Remainer" Activities

Our Year 6's had a fantastic week last week either in Bawdsey Manor or staying here at school!

The "remainers" had a fantastic time here at school. On Monday they experienced a Spurs training session; on Tuesday they all made delicious cake and quiche with Mrs Horwood and took part in a science workshop; on Wednesday they did a Boot Camp with a Personal Trainer. On Thursday the children used their team spirit and practical skills to collect and construct an incredible Bug Hotel in the school garden. Creepy Crawlies have already begun to inhabit the 5 story luxury insect residence! Well done to all of you who helped make this happen, it really is a fantastic addition to our green outdoor space. Many special thanks to Jeremy for giving his time, enthusiasm and his generosity in organising the build!

On Friday the children did Art & Pizza making followed by a film with popcorn. Overall it was a great week off curriculum.



The children in Bawdsey Manor also had an amazing time. They did a wide range of activities including a beach coastal walk, a sensory trail, abseiling, aeroball, archery, a giant swing, zip wiring and buggy building. In the evenings they also had a campfire, played capture the flag and had a disco.

The children were a pleasure to take away on this trip and both children and teachers had a really fantastic time!

Once all the pictures have been collected we will make sure they are available for Year 6 parents on the website. Here are just a few of them;



Writing Competitions

Key Stage 1

Calling all young writers! If you are in KS1 you can enter the Young Writer's competition where you need to write about 'my amazing diary'. Teachers have the entry forms, and the deadline is **Friday 12th April**. Every entrant will receive a bookmark and sticker, and the top 5 winners each receive goody bags to encourage reading and writing. Schools will receive a book with all the children's entrances in it and Schools can also be awarded monetary rewards to spend on English resources. If children want their teachers to submit their entries then they need to be handed in before the end of term or you can submit your piece yourself online via www.youngwriters.co.uk/uploader.

Key Stage 2

If you are in KS2, you can enter a Go Ape's Adventure story competition. You will need to write a max 500 word adventure story, or draw an A4 story board about an adventure you have had, or have imagined. Entries can be given to class teachers, or can be submitted at home on the go ape website under adventure stories. The deadline for this one is **4th April**. Prizes include mini-scooters, adventure boxes and a class trip to Go Ape.

Get your creative juices working and get writing!

Good Luck!

Zoo Lab Visits Nursery

Nursery went on an animal hunt this week and met a corn snake, an African land snail, a tree frog, a hissing cockroach, a millipede and other wonderful creatures. They had a wonderful day!



TERM DATES 2019/2020

Autumn Term 2019

	STARTS	ENDS
	TAD Monday 2nd September 2019 TAD Tuesday 3rd September 2019	
First Half	Wednesday 4th September 2019	Friday 18th October 2019
Half Term	Monday 21st October 2019	Friday 25th October 2019
Second Half	Monday 28th October 2019	Friday 20th December 2019 (Finish @ 2pm)

Spring Term 2020

	STARTS	ENDS
	TAD Monday 6th January 2020 Parents Consultation Day (to be confirmed)	
First Half	Tuesday 7th January 2020	Friday 14th February 2020
Half Term	Monday 17th February 2020	Friday 21st February 2020
Second Half	Monday 24th February 2020	Friday 3rd April 2020

Summer Term 2020

	STARTS	ENDS
	Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2020 TAD Monday 20th July 20	
First Half	Monday 20th April 2020	Friday 22nd May 2020
Half Term	Monday 25th May 2020	Friday 29th May 2020
Second Half	Monday 1st June 2020	Friday 17th July 2020 (Finish @ 2pm)

This list of events is not exhaustive and may be subject to change

Inset TAD Days (School Closed to Pupils)

Monday 2nd September 2019
Tuesday 3rd September 2019
Monday 6th January 2020
Monday 20th July 2020
1 x TAD Day to be confirmed
Parents Consultation Day to be confirmed