# Chestnuts Primary School NEWSLETTER

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#### Dear Families,

Wow, what a year 2018-19 has been. I have been so impressed with the progress the children have made and the fun they have had learning! This year has included the further development of our curriculum and I know the children have enjoyed their topics. This will continue to be a focus for us next year, ensuring children are learning deep knowledge, and the skills they need to use the knowledge, about a range of topics.

Have a wonderful summer break, enjoy the time as families if you can and we are so looking forward to welcoming you back in September.

# **Mrs Horwood**

# Leave in Term Time

As from September 2019 the London Borough of Haringey have reduced the fixed penalty notice trigger from 10 days down to 3 days for unauthorised leave during term time. Please be aware that any unauthorised periods of leave may trigger this fine.

# **School Spider App**

We would really like to encourage parents/ carers to download the School Spider App. It will really make a difference to families accessing information from Chestnuts Website.

# **Essential Oils**

If anyone has any essential oils they would be happy to donate for use in the sensory room, please bring them to the school office or see Ms Hen. Thank you.

# Dates for your diary

- Monday 22nd July
  Y6 Leavers Prom 5-7pm
- Tuesday 23rd July
  - End of Term 2pm
- Wednesday 4th September
  - Back to School

# **Sports News**

We are very proud to announce that this year Chestnuts has been awarded the Silver Games Mark Award to our excellent PE across the whole school.

The School Games Mark is a government led awards scheme that was launched in 2012. The aim is to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school. It has national accreditation and is awarded in combination with Youth Sports Trust and Sheffield Hallam University.

A big thank you to Mr England, our Sports Lead, for organising so many sporting activities this year including cricket, cycling, football, netball, to name but a few.

# STARS (Smarter Travel via TfL)

From September we want our school to keep active in working for safer travel for our school community and so we will be using the outside notice board on the wall of the infants building, (where the bench is), to keep you updated with plans and achievements. Please keep an eye on it!

We also plan to include updates on our Newsletter.

# **Chestival & Bake Off**

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who helped at, donated to or attended our fantastic Chestival. You all helped to make it a marvellous success. We raised a staggering  $\pounds$ 6,243.00! A massive thank you to our PSA who once again have worked tirelessly to make our Chestival the legend that it is!

Also, we had an amazingly high standard of cakes and biscuits for our bake off this year – it was a really tough decision for the judges to pick winners but here they all are – well done to you all.



#### Farewells

We are all very sad to say goodbye to all our Year 6 pupils. We wish you all good luck in your new schools.

#### YOU WILL BE MISSED!

Goodbye to the Nursery children who will be transitioning to their new schools. We hope you have a lovely time and settle in quickly.

We also are saying goodbye to Ms Castro. We are sad to see her go but wish her well for the future.



# **Gymnastic Classes at Chestnuts**



From this September, LAGAD will be running Gymnastics classes at Chestnuts Primary School on a Saturday.

- 09:45 Pre-school & Reception Gymnastics (ages 3 ½ +)
- 10:45 KS1 General Gymnastics
- 11:45 KS2 General Gymnastics
- 13:15 Disability Gymnastics
- 14:15 KS1 Rhythmic Gymnastics

#### 15:15 - KS2 Rhythmic Gymnastics

LAGAD is an OFSTED and British Gymnastics registered club. They run their classes with fully qualified gymnastics coaches and never exceed a 1–8 ratio.

Bookings can be made online at **www.lagad.co.uk**. For further information, please call 02088834675.

Payments can be made with childcare vouchers, credit card or via bank transfer.

# **Sports Day**

We had two really great sports days this year where all the children competed in their houses. They all tried really hard and everyone really enjoyed themselves.

We can let you know the results which were as follows:

#### KS1 Orange- 478 Points

Apple- 474 Apricot- 471 Points Cherry- 457

KS2 Cherry- 902

Apple- 872 Apricot- 825 Orange- 777





# Year 6 Performance: Robin Hood

On Monday night we were treated to an excellent performance by the Year 6 pupils. They put on the show Robin Hood and they were fantastic! They have worked extremely hard over the last 6 weeks to produce this production and all their hard work paid off. Well done!







# **Library News**



In assembly this week, Ms Effhymiou told children all about this year's Summer Reading Challenge - Space Chase. The Challenge is aimed at getting children to keep up their reading over the summer break, while having fun a earning small rewards.

Lots of children were enthusiastic to join in - so please take them along to the library, whether it's St Ann's, Wood Green, Marcus Garvey or elsewhere.

- Go to your library this summer to join the Challenge IT'S FREE!
- Sign up to receive your special Space Chase mission folder
- Read at least SIX library books over the holidays
- Collect stickers for each book you read
- Add the stickers to your folder to complete your mission and the Challenge!

St Ann's also have a series of space themed craft activities on Saturdays throughout the summer. This is their website: https://www.haringey.gov.uk/events/38899-summer-reading-challenge-2019-and-related-craft-activities

During September we will organise an assembly when we celebrate children who have certificates and medals and Ms Efthymiou would love to hear about the books everyone reads!