



Chestnuts Primary School



NEWSLETTER

12th May 2023

Dear families,

We are so proud of our Year 6 children who worked very hard in their SAT's exams this week. As I am sure you have read, they were a challenging set of papers but our children remained positive and worked hard. I am so privileged to be their head teacher.

Last Friday children in KS2 had a fantastic time learning to Morris dance as part of British values and May day celebrations. Thank you to the PSA for funding these opportunities.

Please make sure you look at the dates section in the newsletter to be aware of what's coming up this term.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

Monday 15th May

Yr6 trip to the science museum

Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th May

Kids Jewellery Making Workshop (PSA)

Friday 19th May

Hadid class assembly

Monday 22nd May

Mozart trip to Bruce Castle Museum

Tuesday 23rd May

Hadid Class trip to Bruce Castle Museum

Thursday 25th May

Adult Jewellery Making Workshop (PSA)

W/B Monday 29th May

Half term

Tuesday 5th June

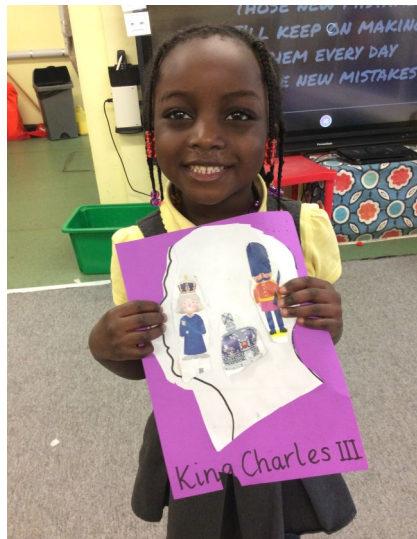
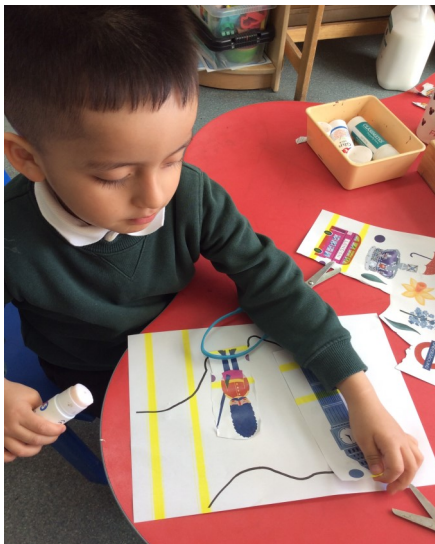
Inset Day

Wednesday 12th July

Sports Day (Details to follow)

Nursery

To celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, we have been cutting out pictures related to London to create a collage of our new king.



What we have done this week

Ahlberg

Ahlberg Class celebrated another RE day! We learnt about the Buddhist festival Veska, which is Buddha's birthday. We created a shrine for Buddha and added offerings of flowers, candles, fruit and we burnt incense. We also took off our shoes and meditated. Vesak is a time to be kind, helpful and positive. We made a tree of kindness inside and outside. Our kind choices included tidying up, helping with washing up and being a kind friend.



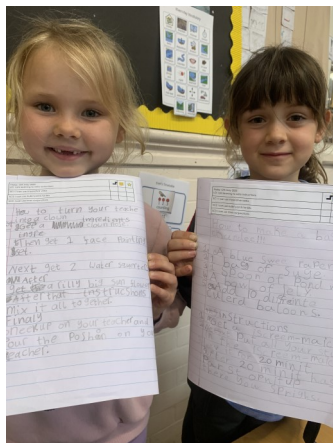
Donaldson

We had an art session in which the children explored primary colours and created a digital artwork inspired by Mondrian.



Mozart

This week in year 1 we have been learning how to write our own instructions. We have worked very hard to learn the different features of an instruction text, using imperative verbs and time conjunctions. In Mozart Scarlet wrote her instructions on 'How to turn your teacher into a clown' and Sophie wrote instructions on 'How to make a bag of candy'.



Hadid

In Hadid Class we have been learning to write instructions in English. To help us with this we followed a recipe and made our very own rice crispy cakes.



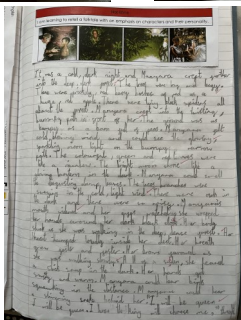
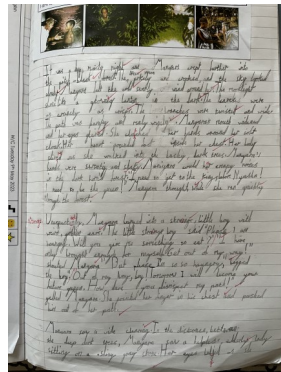
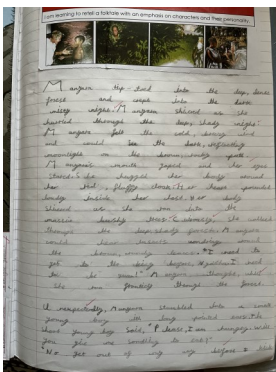
Seacole

In Year 2, Seacole and Bolt classes have been reading *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch* by Ronda and David Armitage. In the story, Mrs Grinling has an ingenious plan to stop the scavenging seagulls from stealing Mr Grinling's lunch. How would you like to try hot mustard sandwiches? We invented and described our own disgusting sandwiches to help keep the Lighthouse Keeper's lunch safe.



Attenborough

Attenborough Class have enjoyed reading the wonderful folktale from Zimbabwe called 'Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters' by John Steptoe. We have been learning how to use the 'Show, Don't Tell' technique to describe characters and how they feel. Here are some of their excellent stories!



Bolt

Bolt class have been learning all about

money. This week we set up a shop in our classroom where half the children were shopkeepers and the other half were customers. The children were all given some money and had to work out if they had enough

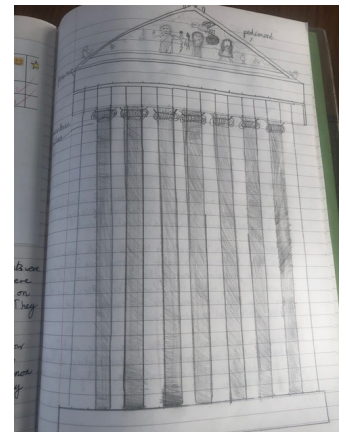
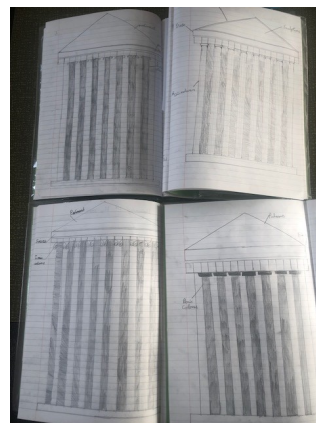


money for the items they wanted or if they needed change. This was a brilliant learning opportunity for the class.



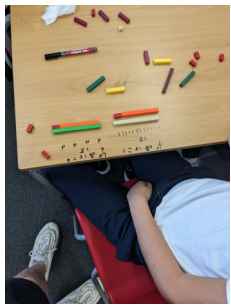
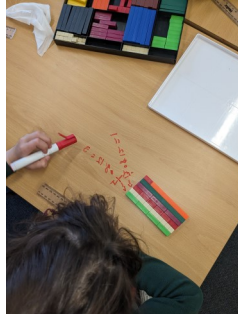
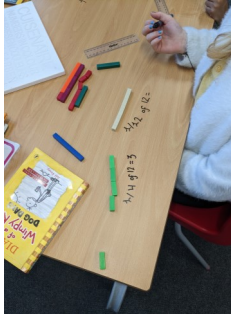
Dahl

This week Dahl class had a particularly hard lesson in history about ancient Greek architecture. Using precise measurements they had to draw a diagram of the Parthenon and label its frieze, columns and pediment. They were also learning to tell the difference between Ionic, Doric and Corinthian designs. It was a tricky task and they all did a wonderful job as you can see here.



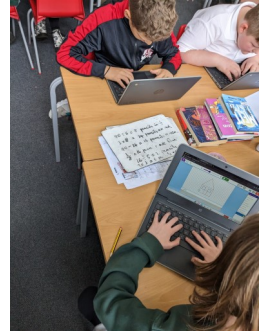
Fibonacci

This week in Fibonacci class we have been looking at fractions of whole numbers. In this lesson we were using Cuisenaire rods to look at different fractions of the number 12.



Gandhi

This week in Gandhi class in computing we have been using Purple Mash to look at how to design logos. In this lesson we were learning how to create different shapes.

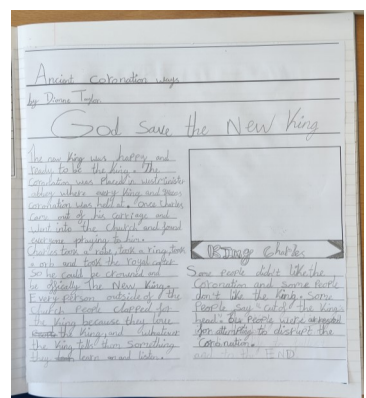
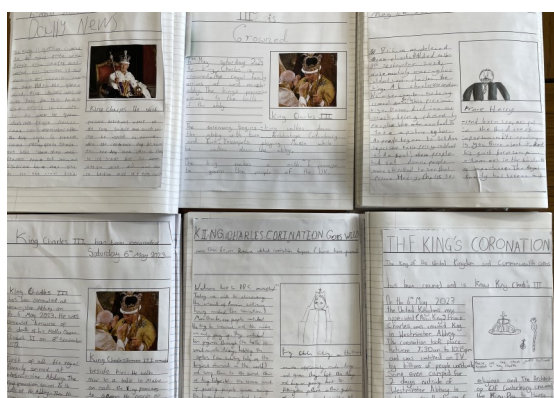
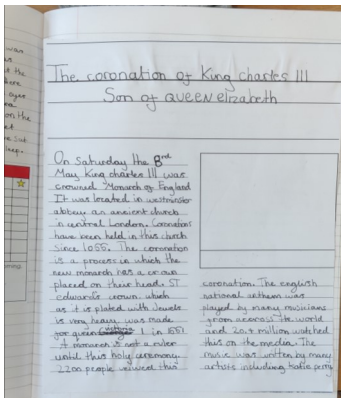
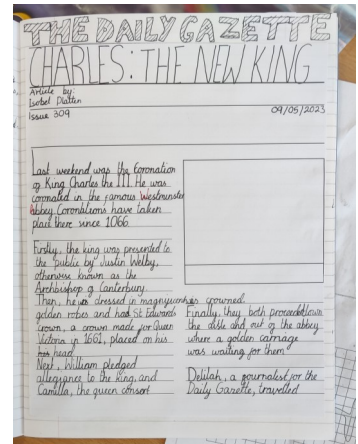


Thompson



To start off our new topic of newspapers in English, the children wrote their own reports on the coronation of King Charles III, a major event to happen in our lifetimes!

Pankhurst



Malala

Mandela

WELL DONE!

This week is the culmination of all the hard work Year 6 students, their teachers and support staff, and all members of Chestnuts staff have invested into their learning. Yes, it's SATs week! And Mr. Bloom and Ms. Liñares are so deeply proud of the Year 6 children. You have shown courage, resilience, and ambition. We think the world of you! Well done!

SKATEBOARDING WORKSHOP



Thank you to the PSA for organising the skateboarding sessions that the children really enjoyed !





ART CLASSES

Year 6 have been carefully observing the finer details of insects and recording their findings in their sketchbooks using drawing pencils, water colours and coloured pencils.



A special message ...

Our Dear Chestnuts Families,

We got to say goodbye personally, to a lot of you, but we wanted to let you know just how much we appreciated your most kind wishes and extremely generous gifts, especially during these difficult times.

It has been an absolute privilege to have been part of your children's journey in life - Chestnuts has, (and will always remain), a very big part of us.

We were glad to have been able to say goodbye to the children - emotional though it was!

We felt everyone's love and good wishes and wish the very same for each and every one of you!

Our little Chestnutters are amazing and we know that, as they continue on in life, they will make themselves and their loved ones proud!

With much love and affection and every good wish for the future,

Mary & Louise

The **SEND** Space

For the latest Haringey SEND Newsletter please follow the link:
[https://mailchi.mp/63f6db54d8db/may-newsletter?
e=26eb608a6c](https://mailchi.mp/63f6db54d8db/may-newsletter?e=26eb608a6c)

Please note we will **not** be running a Play scheme in May - the next one will be Summer 2023 (July -August 2023)



Chestnuts PSA News

Hello! We have been working hard behind the scenes, planning and organising our popular regular events calendar and planning some new ones!

As you can see from the event list below, there are some fantastic things for adults and children to get involved in!

The money raised from our events means we can continue to offer rich and varied enrichment workshops and events for the whole school.

Exciting news for any budding singers out there! From September 2023, the PSA is funding a school choir! The teacher, Laurie O'Brien, will run a few workshops this term, so watch this space for dates!



Chestival Summer Bake Off Competition is Back! Twice a year, the school hosts a bake-off competition giving all you budding bakers a chance to dazzle us with your showstoppers! Prizes are awarded in various categories! Cakes will be delivered to the school at 9 am on the 7th of July and sold the following day at Chestival.



We want you! Every parent and carer automatically becomes part of the PSA Community when you join the school, and we would love to hear your ideas. We meet every couple of months to vote on funding applications, plan and organise our popular calendar of regular events and consider new ideas.

There are lots of ways to communicate with the PSA and find out what's going on:

- Each class has a PSA class rep
- Parents' and carers' Facebook group
- Noticeboards (main entrance & KS1 Playground)
- Fortnightly newsletters
- Monthly Friday Coffee mornings
- chestnutsprimarypsa@gmail.com

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CHESTNUTS PSA 2023 calendar of EVENTS

ARTISTS RESIDENCY WORKSHOPS!

- **Jewellery Making - Adults** - 25th May 7-8.30 PM
- **Jewellery Making - Kids** - 16th, 17th, & 18th May
- **Rap Therapy - Kids** - 7th & 8th June
- **Cartoon Illustration - Kids** - 14th & 15th June
- **Lino Printing t-shirt & Tote bags** - Kids - 4th, 5th & 6th July
- **Natural Pottery - Adults & Kids** - 22nd June

Tickets on Parent Pay

Coffee Morning

Friday 19th May, 9am,
school library

9th June, 5pm-8pm

Tickets on Parent Pay

Barn Dance

Non Uniform Day

Friday 30th June

Bring sweets to school to
participate - proceeds go
towards the tombola at
Chestival

Friday 7th July - drop off at
school at 9 am. Prizes to be
won! All cakes are to be sold at
Chestival.

BAKE OFF COMPETITION



CHESTIVAL!

Saturday 8th July
1pm-5pm

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CHESTNUTS PSA PRESENTS THE ANNUAL
BAKE OFF COMPETITION!

CHESTIVAL SUMMER BAKE OFF

PRIZES FOR BEST CUPCAKES, BEST SUMMER
THEME CAKE, BISCUITS, AND BEST OVERALL
- FOR KS1 & KS2

FRIDAY 7TH JULY, DROP OFF AT SCHOOL
OFFICE, 9 AM. CAKES WILL BE SOLD AT
CHESTIVAL THE NEXT DAY! NO NUTS PLEASE

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