



# Chestnuts Primary School



## NEWSLETTER

15th September 2023

Dear families,

Welcome back! A very warm welcome to all of our new families. What a fantastic 2 weeks we've had back at school. The children have settled so well into the routines.

Thank you to all of the families for making the start to school so smooth. We were thrilled to see so many of you at our meet the teacher meetings and hope you found the sessions helpful.

Please check all the dates in the newsletter to ensure you're up to date with the term.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Horwood



**Be Safe**  
**Be Engaged**  
**Be Respectful**  
**Be Ready**

# Dates for your Diary

**Monday 18th September**—Y6 Wizard and Witches Day

**Tuesday 26th September 3.30pm - 4.30pm**  
-Natural Pottery Workshop

**Wednesday 27th September 3.30-4.15pm-**  
Reception welcome meeting

**Thursday 28th September 9.30am -2.30pm**  
- Y5/6 Boys football tournament at New River Sports Centre.

**Thursday 12th October 10am– 2.30pm-**  
Y5 Dodgeball at Hornsey School for Girls

**Tuesday 3rd October - Y6 Science Museum Trip (All Day)**

**Friday 13th October 10am-2.30pm**  
- **Y5/6** Cricket at Alexandra Palace School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please could you provide your children with appropriate footwear for P.E.

(Trainers or Plimsolls )

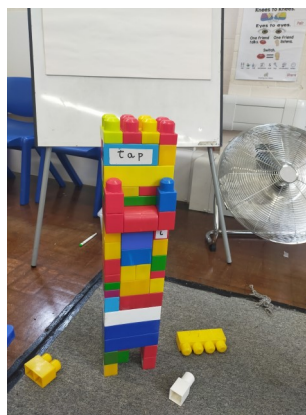
# What we have done this week

Mozart

In Mozart class this week we explored our inspirational figure, Wolfgang Amedus Mozart. As a class we explored where Mozart grew up and how this may have impacted the music he created. We also listened to some music Mozart composed and made comparisons to compositions from the 21st century. Our class went on to design some of instruments that will be displayed in our classroom

Hadid

In Hadid class we looked at our inspirational figure Zara Hadid. We loved looking at her amazing buildings and we could not believe the different shapes and designs she had created. We made our own designs using a range of different media. These are just a tiny snapshot of what the creative children in Hadid class produced.

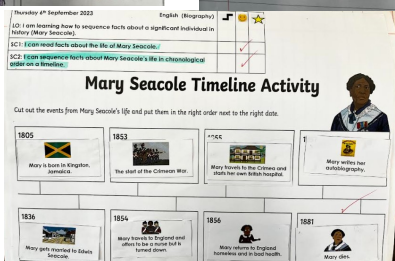
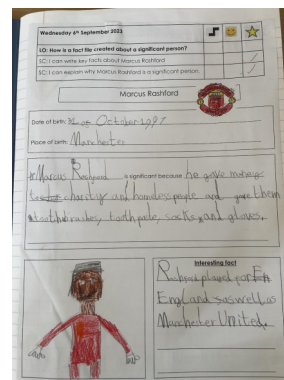
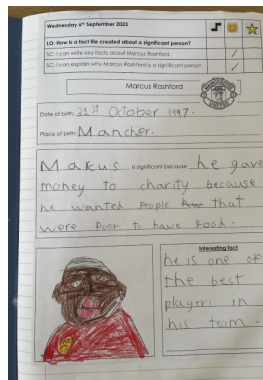
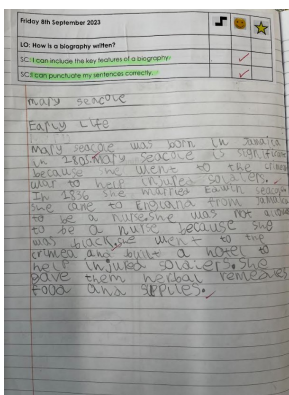
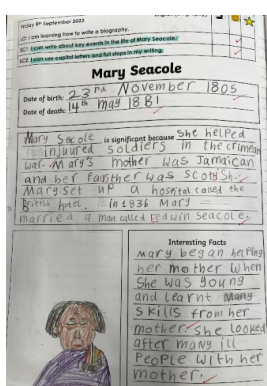


Seacole

This week Seacole Class have enjoyed learning all about a significant figure in History - Mary Seacole. The children enjoyed collecting facts about her life, creating a timeline and writing a

Rashford

In Rashford class, we learnt about our inspirational figure and created fact files about him. We also drew self portraits using oil pastels.



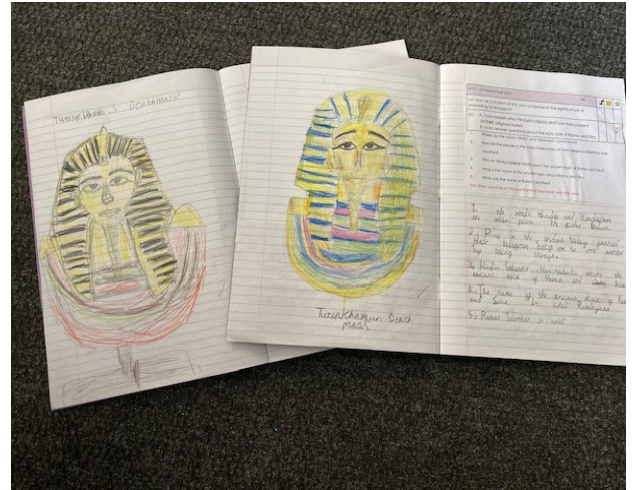
## Benjamin

It is a brand new year and a brand new class name - welcome to Benjamin Class. The new Benjamin students have jumped into the year with gusto and enthusiasm which is wonderful to see. Here they are during a geography lesson drawing irrigated fields to understand the importance of water running through every part. They then drew a variety of crops before we carried on with our lessons on rivers. I look forward to continue watching their imagination blossom through the year.



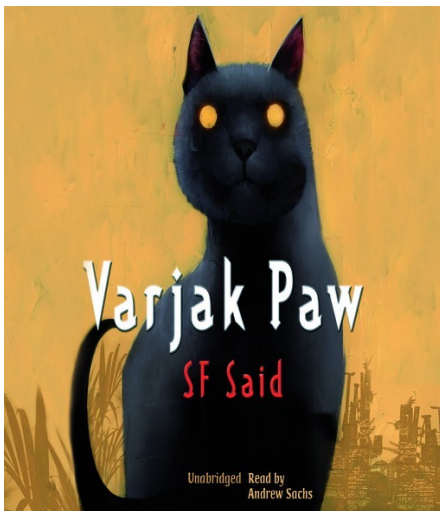
## Attenborough

We have started learning about the Ancient Egypt era that we are enjoying so much already. We explored Tutankhamun's tomb in our first lesson.



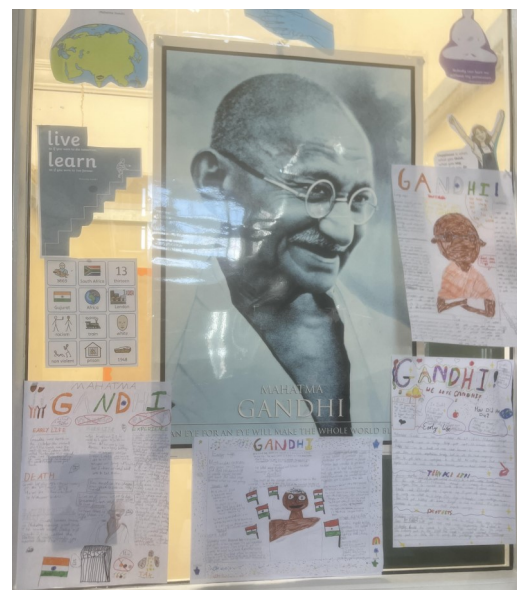
## Fibonacci

In year 4 we have started looking at our text for this half term. We made predictions based on the front cover. We decided that there would be a lot of peril because the text at the top of the front cover says "This cat must learn to fight". The story sounds like it is going to be very exciting!



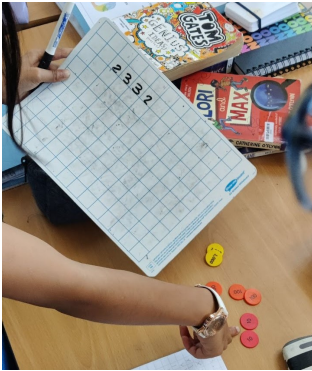
## Gandhi

In Gandhi class, we researched and learnt lots about Mahatma Gandhi. Did you know his name means Great Soul? We presented our findings on posters.



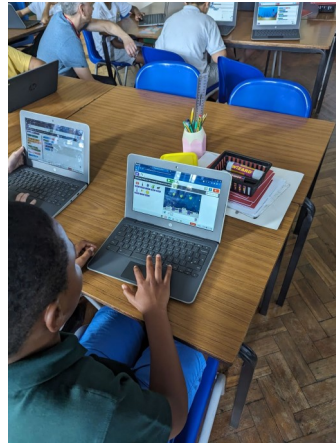
## Pankhurst

In Pankhurst class we played a place value game where all the place value counters up to 100,000 were jumbled up on the floor and children had to race to make numbers up to 999,999. It required children to remember a large number in their heads and think about how to partition the number into the separate place value columns.



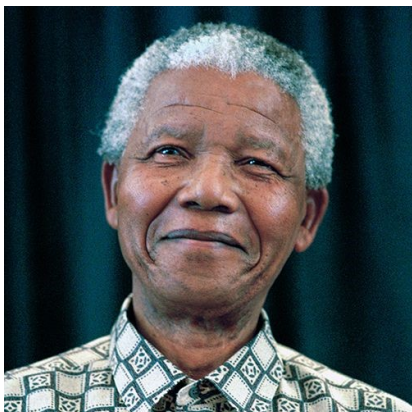
## Thompson

This week in Thompson the pupils were starting our new computing topic which is coding. Students were using a software called 'Code Gibbon' to write their own lines of code to make a computer programmes.



## Mandela

What an incredible start to Year 6 - we have already packed so much into such a short period of time. The children have settled into their classes, completed their first Mock SATs, and researched their class heroes: Malala Yousafzai and Nelson Mandela. Your teachers are very proud of how you have started Year 6 - keep up the amazing behaviour and mature attitudes to work. Don't forget it's our Witches & Wizards day on Monday. Remember, even Professor Umbridges are invited too...



## Malala



# Art Classes

The Art Room has welcomed all the children back into its creative space after the long summer holiday. With lots of exciting projects and methods planned, including sketching, observational drawing, painting, modelling, weaving, sculpture and taking inspiration from artists and their work. It promises to be a very productive and rewarding year ahead! We can't wait to share the children's work with you all!



True Covers (featuring Chestnuts parents present and past!) are playing a fundraiser for Bibi at the Salisbury on Saturday 30th September. Funk, Pop, Dance and Soul covers for you to dance the night away for a great cause!





# Chestnuts PSA News

**Hello!** The PSA would like to say a MASSIVE welcome back to school to all the children, parents, and careers!

And a special shout out to everyone in Reception new to the school. Welcome to our amazing community!

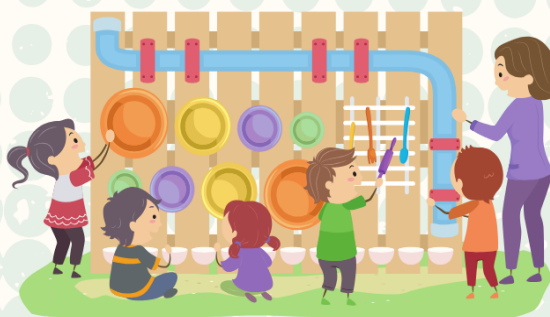
We have some brilliant fundraising events planned for the year, with any profits raised enabling us to continue supporting the school with fun, engaging, educational, enriching and diverse workshops, events and clubs.

Every class receives £300 to spend on the children, and we will continue to supplement and enrich their learning wherever possible.

Our biggest challenge is the **PLAYGROUND!** It needs much work, so our fundraising efforts will focus on raising as much as possible for this.

As such, we have launched a **JUSTGIVING PAGE** to raise **£50,000!**

Through this campaign, we're looking to build a MUGA (multi-use games area) and create a Sensory Garden.





# Chestnuts PSA News

We are also applying for grants to help achieve our bigger ambitions to improve the three main playground areas – at the front of the school for KS2 children, at the side for Reception children and at the back for KS1.

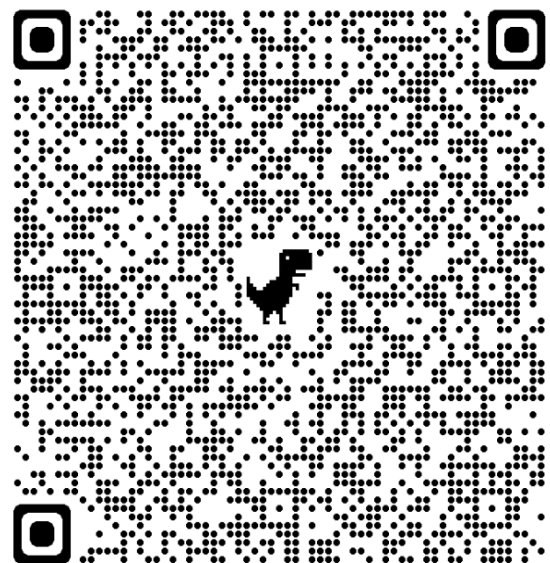
We have already raised some money through our own PSA fundraising efforts and kickstarted the campaign by donating £5000 of existing PSA funds to the page.

But we need more help!

**PLEASE SHARE THE LINK AND QR CODE WITH FRIENDS, FAMILY, WORK COLLEAGUES, AND ANY BUSINESSES OR EMPLOYEES WHO DONATE TO CHARITIES!**

Scan the QR code to donate or go to [justgiving.com/chestnutprimaryschool-psa](https://justgiving.com/chestnutprimaryschool-psa)

If you want to get in touch with the PSA email us at [chestnutsprimarypsa@gmail.com](mailto:chestnutsprimarypsa@gmail.com) - we welcome new volunteers and fresh ideas!







# CHESTNUTS PSA

## 2023/24

### calendar of **EVENTS**

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## ARTISTS RESIDENCY WORKSHOPS!

These exciting workshops will be running throughout the year! Starting with:

- **Nature Pottery Workshop**, Tues 26th Sept, 3.30 pm-4.30 pm
  - **Paper Flower Workshop**, 28th Sept, 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm.
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## New Parent Drinks

Thursday 21st Sept,  
7pm, The Salisbury  
Pub



Fri 29th Sept,  
5pm-8 pm



## Barn Dance

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## Halloween Disco!



Thurs 2nd Nov  
4.45 pm-6 pm - KS1  
6.30 pm - 8 pm - KS2

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Friday 24th  
NOVEMBER  
7.30-11pm

## CHESTNUTS FAMOUS

# QUIZ

## NIGHT!!

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CHESTNUTS PSA

2023/24

calendar of **EVENTS** cont...

**WINTER FEST**

(Loads of exciting Xmas-themed events!)

W/C - Mon 4th DEC



Sunday 10th Dec,  
11-4pm



**WINTER FEST  
FAIR!**

**\*BRAND NEW\***

**BINGO!**

**NIGHT!**

Friday 1st March

7.30-11pm

Friday 17th MAY  
6pm Onwrds

**ONE WORLD EVENING  
(International Night)**



**CHESTIVAL!**



Saturday 13th July

1 pm-5pm

**PLUS, LOADS MORE!  
All tickets on ParentPay**

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# MEET YOUR CLASS REPS



**TBC - CARLE**



**EMILY DARKO - DONALDSON**



**BELLE HUMBLE - DONALDSON**



**CHARLOTTE HAWORTH HIRD - AHLBERG**



**DEBBIE VASSILIOU - AHLBERG**



**NICOLA BELL - MOZART**

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# MEET YOUR CLASS REPS



**MADDIE DINWOODIE -  
HADID**



**CLAUDIA VASIU -  
SEACOLE**



**LUKE FULLER -  
RASHFORD**



**LAURA BRASNETT -  
ATTENBOROUGH**



**MARTIN & FLO LEFRANC  
- ATTENBOROUGH**



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# MEET YOUR CLASS REPS



**SU UMPLEBY -  
FIBONACCI**



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GANDHI**



**TIFFANY LISTER -  
PANKHURST**



**JEN FLAVELL -  
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- MALALA**



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# MEET YOUR CLASS REPS



**ELLIE LIVINGSTONE -  
PSA STAFF LEAD**



**SARAH MCPHEE -  
TREASURER**



**BETH RAE  
- PSA CO-CHAIR**



**CARLY SANDLAND -  
PSA CO-CHAIR**

**OUR AMAZING TREASURER WILL BE LEAVING THE SCHOOL AT THE END OF THE YEAR, SO WE NEED A NEW ONE. IDEALLY, THIS PERSON WOULD START ASAP SO SARAH CAN HAND OVER AND SHOW YOU THE ROPES. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, EMAIL US AT THE ADDRESS BELOW. (WE WON'T HAVE A PSA WITHOUT A TREASURER!)**

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HARINGEY  
MUSIC SERVICE

PRESENTS

# Junior Vox

A vocal group for ages 8 - 11  
All singers are welcome!

Tuesday  
4:15 - 5:00pm

Chestnuts Community Centre  
280 St Ann's Road, N15 5BN

## An amazing opportunity!

If you are looking for a challenge and want to push yourself musically and get the chance for some exciting performance opportunities, then this choir is for you!

## No audition required!

This group is for singers who are looking to explore their vocal harmony and voices in a variety of ways, to eventually work alongside other musicians, vocalists and other ensembles.

Haringey  
LONDON

\*This is **NOT** a standard choir. This is a vocal group with an edge.