



Chestnuts Primary School



NEWSLETTER

17th September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been an extremely busy week!

As you know our Early Years team have been struck down with Covid. As a result we have had to close our Nursery until Tuesday 21st September. Also, the entire Reception staff have tested positive and have been isolating this week. We have managed to keep our Reception Classes open through a mixture of supply teachers and our own fabulous staff stepping up to work extra hours.

I would also like to applaud our wonderful new Reception children who have taken it all in their stride, despite being welcomed by all new faces on their first full week at school. It has been a hard week but hopefully we will all get back to normal next week.

While the official government guidance has allowed a lessening in the rules for Covid we have appreciated the parents who have helped keep our children safe at school by taking extra precautions. If you know there is Covid in your household please speak to the school office or a member of senior leadership about what you can do to help keep us all safe.

When you have a moment please have a look at your child's class page on the school website. Here you will find all the information you need regarding the Curriculum for this term.

Have a lovely, safe weekend,

Katie Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

Wed 29th September 5pm

Secondary School Transfer meeting for
Year 6 parents

Thursday October 21st

Flu Vaccinations Reception—Y6

Thursday November 4th

Individual School Photographs

Health Questionnaires

Y6 and Reception
please can you
complete your NHS
Local Health Question-
naire and return them to
school as soon as
possible. Thank you.

School Street Consultation

Our School Street **consultation closes on 26th October!** Please take the opportunity to feedback on the School Street by completing this survey. We want to hear from the whole school community, whether positive or negative, to help shape the future of the scheme. After the trial, the council will make the decision based on your feedback whether to keep the School Street in place, amend, or remove it.

<https://forms.office.com/r/w29d06dn9C> The survey should only take 2-4 minutes to complete.

SITE MANAGER NEWS

As I'm sure you've all noticed - the major building work is now well underway! The scaffolding is almost complete and work has started on the upstairs classrooms. The builders will be with us throughout this academic year but we are confident that we can keep disruption to a minimum. This repair and refurbishment work is much needed and the end result will be well worth it! Thank you all in advance for your patience – we'll keep you posted on the progress.

Nursery

Our Nursery is currently closed due to the staff coming down with Covid.

We will reopen again on
Tuesday 21st September.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this has caused.

What we have done this week

Ahlberg

We have been having a great time settling into our new school and exploring our classroom.



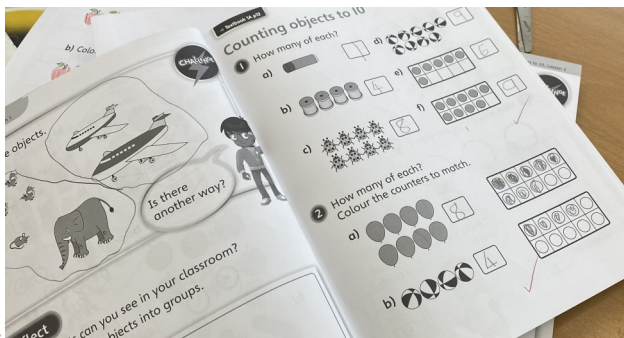
Donaldson

We have been learning all about the new routines at school and having fun as well!



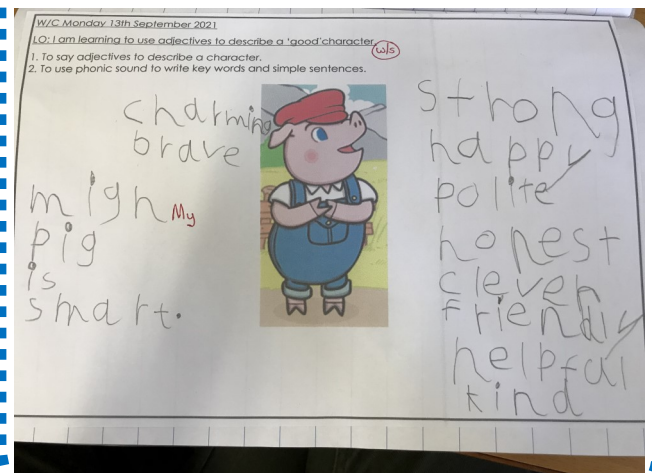
Mozart

In class we have been counting forwards and backwards to 10 using counters, blocks and cubes and because we did so well, we are now using our maths books!



Hadid

We have been reading *The Three Little Pigs* and thinking about words that can describe good and bad characters.



Seacole

This week Seacole Class have been learning about the Jewish festival of Hanukkah. They have thoroughly enjoyed using clay to make their own Hanukkiah.



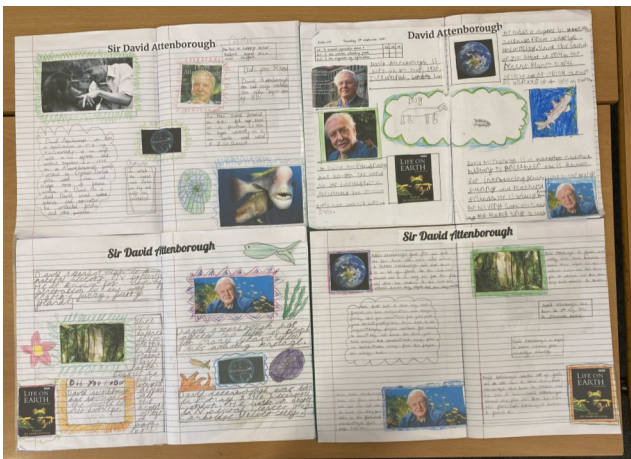
Bolt

We have been learning about Hanukkah, we spent the afternoon making our very own Hanukkiah - which is a special type of menorah used during Hanukkah.



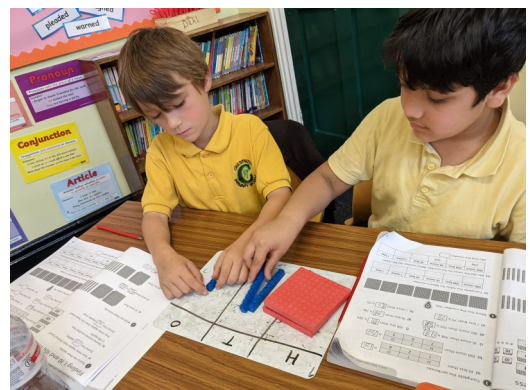
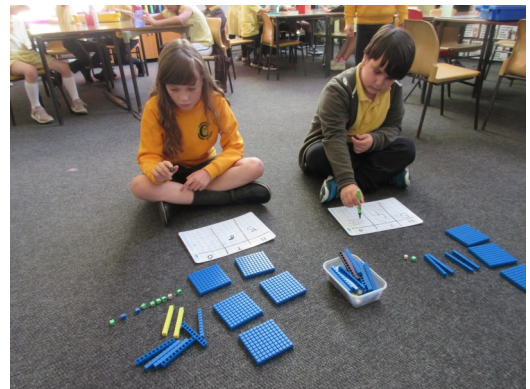
Attenborough

We have been learning about David Attenborough and all the work he has done writing and presenting, in conjunction with the BBC Natural History Unit.



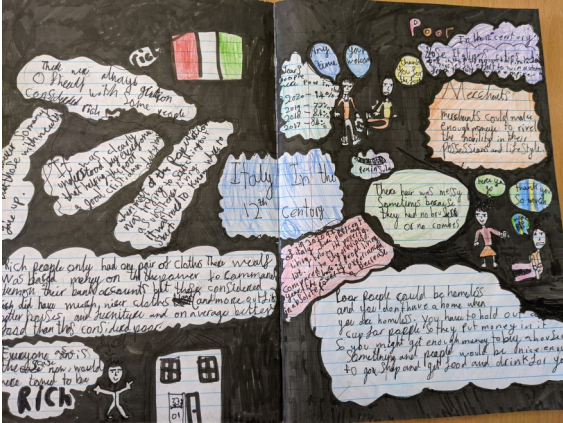
Dahl

In maths we have been learning about place value to 1000.



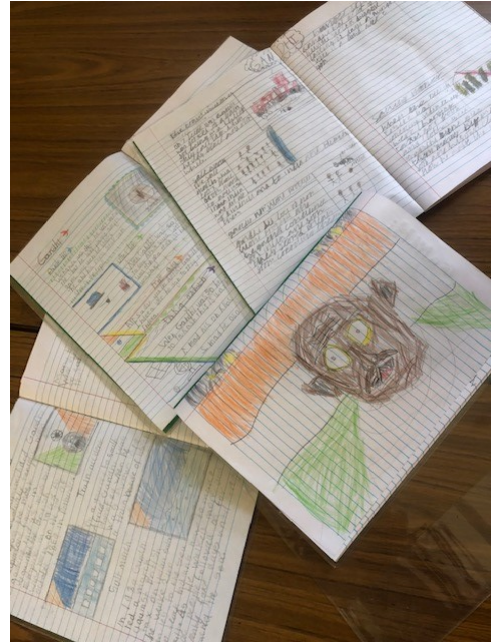
Fibonacci

This week we made posters about the era in Italy that Fibonacci lived. And looked into the lives of the rich and the poor.



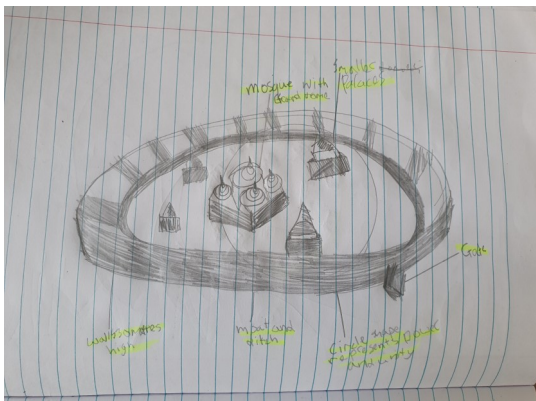
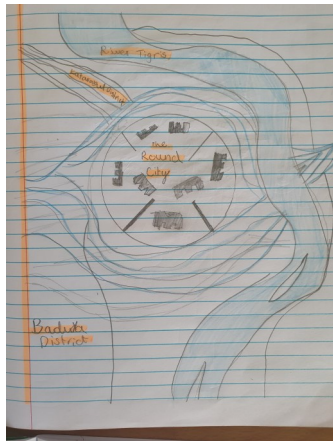
Gandhi

This week we have been creating colourful pieces in our English and topic books about Mohandas Gandhi. We not only filled them with fascinating information about his time in South Africa, the Salt March and his non-violent protests, we also made them lovely to look at. Great work everyone!



Thompson

We have been looking at Ancient Baghdad as part of our topic this week. We did a detailed architectural drawing of the ancient city.



Pankhurst

4th June 1913

Dear Diary,

Today was one of the most shocking days of my life! I was extremely excited as I went to watch the Epsom Derby this year!

However my excitement was short lived as something tragic happened to a poor lady. So, I will start from the beginning.

As soon as the race started my legs were shaking with excitement to see who would win.

A few minutes after the race had started, I saw a woman next to me. She as looking like she was getting ready to jump out onto the race track. The horses were coming round... she braced herself.

And she jumped. She started waving something in the air shouting "STOP! STOP!" but she was too late. The horse smashed into her. She collided with the ground and a crowd of people crowded round her weak body.

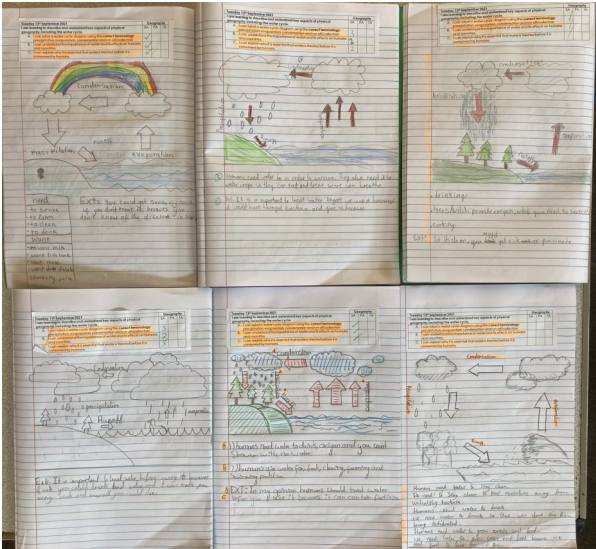
For a second, my heart stopped beating. I dashed though the crowd and spotted a small crumpled object.

Next to it, the woman was laying on the floor with a slither of life left. I turned my concentration to the object that was lying next to her. I picked it up lightly. It was a suffragette scarf! The woman was a suffragette! She was sacrificing herself to get women's rights! And from that day on Emily Davison will be remembered as a hero.

(By Lochan)

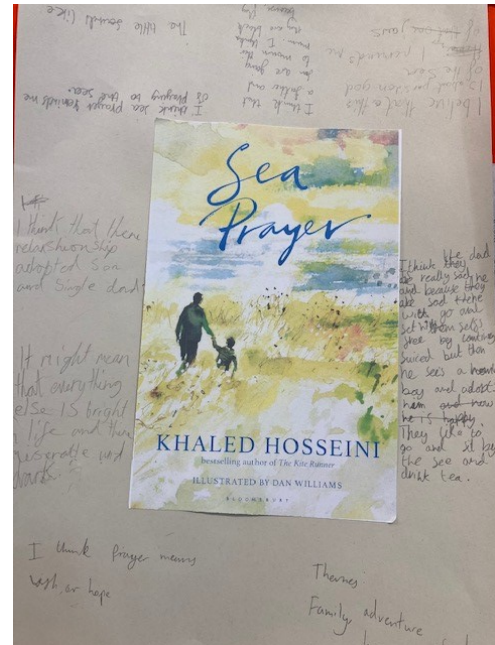
Malala

In Geography, we have been learning about the water cycle, the different ways humans use water, and the importance of treating water to make it safe for consumption.

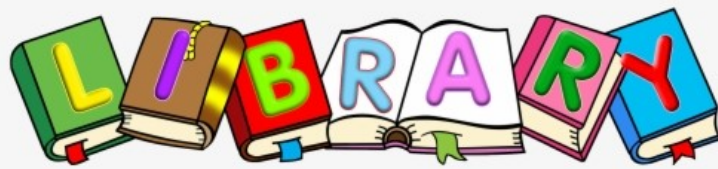


Mandela

Mandela Class have started reading the *Sea Prayer* by Khaled Hosseini. They had to predict what they think the book is about and they are very keen to find out if they were right in their prediction.



The



Zone



Like many festivals, the Edinburgh Book Festival has released many of its author events online. These are a great chance to watch an author with your child, at home!

These are still available until late September. To catch authors including MG Leonard, Julia Donaldson and Piers Torday, register at <https://edbookfest.co.uk> and filter for children's authors 0-11.



Ms Efthymiou is reading this book

What are you reading?



Ms Efthymiou, librarian@chestnutsprimary.com



**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.

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

Markfield Community Hub

Markfield is an inclusive community hub in Markfield Park, south Tottenham where people can play, socialise and get information & support. We are an independent registered charity.

We aim to promote respect of disabled, Deaf and Autistic people and support their full participation in society. Check our **autumn term programme** of sessions happening at the Markfield centre. <https://markfield.org.uk/>

Open Day on Saturday 9th October 2021
11 to 3pm
Free refreshments & children's activities

Come and join us on our Open Day to find out more about all the services Markfield offers for disabled people, their family members, and the local community. Hear about our charity's achievements over the past year and our plans for the future at our Annual General Meeting (the meeting starts at 2pm)

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