



Chestnuts Primary School



NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th June 2024

Dear Families,

These first 2 weeks of Summer term 2 have flown by and there are still so many things to look forward to. Please check the dates section for all the summer events.

At this time of year we begin to plan for and think about September. As some of you may be aware Ms Newton (our deputy headteacher) is retiring at the end of this year. Ms Newton has been at Chestnuts for 10 years and has supported families and children throughout her time here. She is an ever positive presence and is the most wonderful teacher. We will really miss her.

After a thorough recruitment process, Ms Potter has been appointed as the new deputy headteacher.

Other than this the staff team remains stable for next year and Children will spend an hour with their new class teacher, in their new classroom, on Wednesday 26th June in the morning. A letter will follow the same day with which staff are in each class.

We are holding a first art gallery on **Thursday 11th July 3:30pm - 5:30pm**. Look out for more details soon!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

- **Monday 17th June** -Y5 Trip to The Tate Modern -
- **Wednesday 19th June**—Y6 trip to St Ann's church
- **Friday 21st June** - Y1 Mozart Class Assembly
- **Friday 21st June**—Y6 End of year trip
- **Tuesday 25th June** - KS1 & KS2 Sports day (Parents welcome to attend) :
 - **Year 1,2,3 9:15am - 10:30am**
 - **Year 4,5,6 10:45am - 12:15pm**
- **Friday 28th June (am)** - Year 6 young citizen awards
- **Friday 28th June 9:15am-** Y2 Rashford Class Assembly
- **Tuesday 2nd July 9.30am** - Guitar concert
- **Wednesday 3rd July-** Dance Giants performance 4pm—5pm
- **Thursday 4th July - School Closed for polling**
- **Monday 8th July—12th July** - Pendarren (Year 6)
- **Tuesday 9th July**—Reception & Nursery Sports day (No parents)
- **Tuesday 9th July** - Y3 Trip to Sea Life (London Aquarium)
- **Thursday 11th July 3.30—5pm** —Art Gallery Evening
- **Friday 12th July**— School reports sent home
- **Saturday 13th July**—Chestival
- **Monday 15th July 3.00pm- 7.30pm** Year 4 mini massive concert at Ally Pally
- **Wednesday 17th July 9—3pm** Reception celebration assembly & picnic
- **Wednesday 17th July 10 –3pm** Nursery celebration assembly & picnic
- **Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th July 6-8pm**—Year 6 production performance for parents
- **Thursday 18th July 9.15– 3pm** Year 1 to Kentish Town city farm
- **Friday 19th July 6-8pm** -Year 6 disco
- **Monday 22nd July** - Dance competition
- **Tuesday 23rd July** -Last day of term finish **at 1.30pm**

Nursery

This week our focus book is the Gruffalo. The children have been making their own 'owl ice cream' 'Gruffalo crumble' and 'scrambled snake'



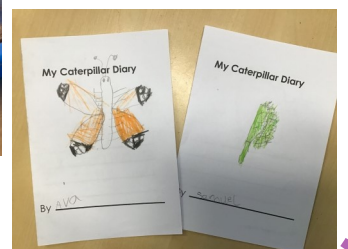
Ahlberg

To celebrate **Pride Month**, Reception learnt about David Hockney and looked at his amazing art work. The children engaged in a guided drawing activity to produce a David Hockney landscape picture. They then coloured it in using bright pencils. We spoke about colour shading. The final stage will be adding black felt tip outlines to make the colours pop. They really liked seeing lots of his bright colourful pictures. Our favourite one was 'The Bigger Splash' because it reminded us of swimming and the summer holidays!



Donaldson

We are learning about mini-beasts in Reception. Last week, some caterpillars arrived and we have been really enjoying seeing them grow. They grow so fast! We have been learning about the life cycle of the butterfly and as they change we are recording this in our caterpillar diaries.



Mozart

In Mozart Class we thoroughly enjoyed power off day last term. As a class we went over to chestnuts park and used leaves to make rubbings of leaves using green and brown colouring pencils. We then cut out our rubbings and placed them on a large piece of paper to create what we called our 'Mozart Eco Tree'. We loved it and we want more days of no power.



Hadid

In Geography we have been learning about "Living by the Sea" and were very lucky that Ms Hen (in art) taught the children about multimedia art. The children used wax crayons to learn about wax resistance. They then used paint in a spray bottle. Once they had completed the background the children designed their own pike, stickleback and trout fish to go on top as their final layer. Thank you Ms Hen, they are amazing!



Rashford

On Wednesday, Rashford class had a magician come into school for their WOW lesson. This is linked to their new class text 'Mr Majeika' whereby a magician takes over a class.



On Thursday Rashford class went on a school trip to the farm where they learnt new information about different farm animals and were able to touch them.



Seacole

This term, Seacole Class enjoyed watching a magician as part of their learning in English. They were really excited to watch a range of tricks! Seacole class also visited Freightliners Farm. They were very eager to learn about how to make a candle with beeswax and all about the different farm animals.



Attenborough

Attenborough class had a special visitor this week to mark the beginning of our PSHE - RSE topic, Changing me. The class discussed the lifecycle of animals, including humans and asked interesting and thoughtful questions from Ms Linares about baby Zeni's development.



Benjamin

Benjamin class have started learning about Alexander the Great this term and their opening lesson saw them practising what a phalanx of hoplites were with sarissas. Needless to say they loved it! Beware of future group fighting tactics.



Fibonacci

This week, Year 4 went on a trip to London Zoo. We were lucky enough to see the new infant gorilla and the three new lion cubs and so much more.

Linking with our science, we looked at which animals were critically endangered or extinct in the wild and what the cause was.



Gandhi

Pankhurst

Thompson

This half term, Pankhurst and Thompson Classes have already been on two fantastic trips! Last week we went to Westcliff Bay for a day at the beach - and of course to revisit and refresh our Geography knowledge!

This week we visited the Science Museum as part of our Space topic. We saw the IMAX cinema film A Beautiful Planet in 3D, explored the Space Exhibition and learned a lot about the history - and future - of space exploration.



Mandela

Malala

To celebrate Pride Month, Alan Turing PhD OBE has been chosen as our STEM Hero and LGBT+ Figure. Not only is he a war hero, and widely considered to be the father of theoretical computer science and artificial intelligence; he was also a keen theoretical biologist. To start this unit's focus on Climate Change, Year 6 created their very own terrariums, highlighting the importance of creating, and maintaining, self-sustaining, healthy ecosystems. We procured our resources, deracinated plants from our school garden, and replanted them. These terrariums are an analogy for our planet, and even a slight imbalance can create a negative cascade effect. Over the next few weeks, we'll monitor and care for our mini biospheres.





Art Classes



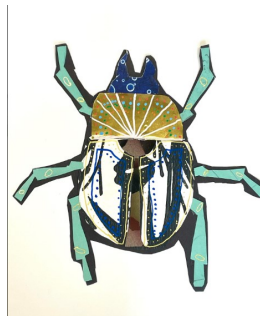
It's been a fishy business in year 1! Wax resist, learning to draw scales, lots of cutting skills and gluing too have resulted in some very watery scenes of pike, trout and stickleback in their natural habitat.



Art Classes



The Year 6 children have created beautiful, colourful bugs and beetles. Using templates they transferred the shapes to tracing paper and then on to printed recycled paper and card before layering and finishing with Posca pens. I think you'll agree the results are stunning!



Chestnuts School Council Meeting

Chestnuts Cheers:

The magician who came in to school today! Chloe Year 2

I am happy about our beach trip on Friday! Ayoub Year 5

The teachers teach us very well and are nice to us. Cattleya Year 6

The dinner ladies are always really nice and smiley. Emmie Year 4

I love all the clubs. Bob Year 3

**I like that our parents are involved in our school and help to make some decisions.
They do a great job with the PSA raising money for our school. Orla Year 4**

**The school council have a voice and we get to make a lot of decisions for ourselves.
Cattleya Year 6**

I know that I have said this before, but I REALLY love the school trips! Kathleen Year 3

Chestnuts Art Gallery Evening

On Thursday 11th July, Chestnuts is inviting all parents to come into the school and view our wonderful artwork. **Our doors will be open from 4-5.30pm**. You will have an opportunity to get some refreshments and there will be an opportunity to purchase your child artwork (by donation -money goes towards the PSA).





May Holiday Play



The Children had great fun at Holiday Play Scheme ! The children baked and decorated cupcakes, We also had a dance competition and performance!



Netball match at Belmont



On the 5th of June the year 6 netball team : Alexandra ,Delilah, Minnie, Pablo, Ryan, Lilly, Maria and Dionne went to Belmont school to play a netball match. Alexandra scored the first goal, but we lost 4-1. It was a great match and we hope to do it again this term.

Minnie (captain)

Last week Wednesday , Juliette, Polly, Aliya, Cassia, Pablo, Ada, and Waleska went on a year 4 & 5 netball trip to play against Belmont school. The results were Chestnuts: 4 Belmont: 0. We all had a really great time.

Juliette (captain)





**THE FRIENDS OF
CHESTNUTS PARK**

- Drums & Percussion
- Summer Crowns
- Head Dresses



Dressing the Green Sculpture

Midsummer's Fun

Sat 29th June 1-4pm

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Supporting My Child's Communication

Parent workshop with Haringey Language Support Team



Tuesday 2nd July
2.30pm

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Did you know speaking and listening skills are important for children's reading, writing and learning?

Come along to a talk delivered by Haringey Language Support team to learn more about your child's communication.

In this talk you will learn:

- How language develops at different ages.
- Simple tips and strategies you can use at home to help your child develop their communication skills.
- Where to find more information about speech, language and communication.