



Chestnuts Primary School



NEWSLETTER

4th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the half term. I hope you all had a good break.

Despite the builders working long days this week we still have no heating in some parts of the school and we are all working hard to find a solution to this as soon as possible. Please make sure that your children dress warmly as some of the classrooms are particularly cold.

Also, we have many coughs, colds and tummy bugs going around school which is normal for the time of year and not related to covid! If your child is ill please keep them at home and call the absence hotline. If your child has a tummy ache, sickness or diarrhoea please keep them at home for 48 hours after it has stopped.

Happy Diwali to all our families for Yesterday!

Have a safe and fun Bonfire Night.

Katie Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday November 10th

E Safety Talk for Parents 3.45pm at school
Online at 7.30pm

Thursday November 11th

Writing Workshop for Families
2.30—3.20pm

Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th November

Parents Evenings

Sunday 5th December

Winter Fair 11am—2pm

Friday 10th December

Christmas Jumper Day

P.S.A. NEWS

Second Hand Uniform Donations

The PSA are asking for donations of any uniform that your child has grown out of and still has some life left in it. If you have any uniform that might be able to help another child, please bring it into the school office where there will be a box for you to donate it.

Thank you

Nursery

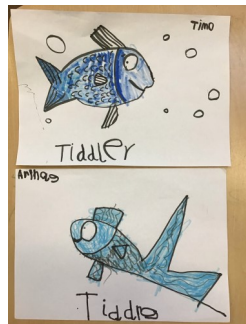
When the children arrived at the nursery on Tuesday, something happened! The colour monster came and he left a little surprise for us. The children had lot of fun. Now we are learning about our new book called the "The colour monster"



What we have done this week

Ahlberg

This week Tiddler has come to visit us behind the story door. On Wednesday we had a go at drawing him. We carefully followed instructions step by step to each draw our own Tiddler.



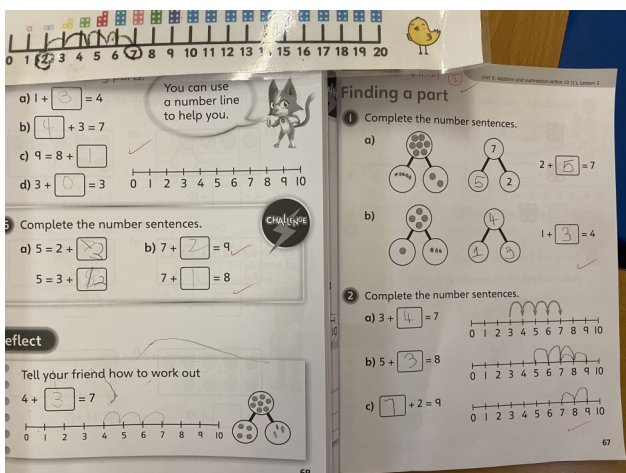
Donaldson

This week we have been learning a new sound each day. We learn the letter, name the sound and how to write it. We also think of all the things that can begin with that sound. This week we are learning, s, a, t, p. Your child may enjoy playing eye spy with these sounds or showing you how they can write them.



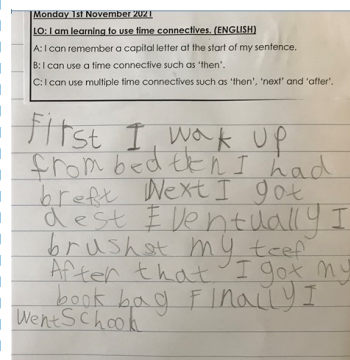
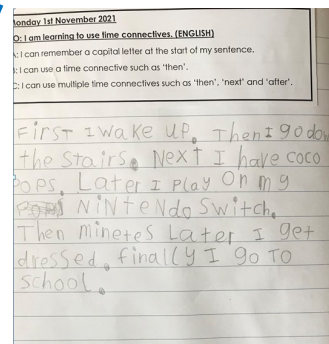
Mozart

This week in maths we have been using the part whole model and number lines to work out the missing numbers in number sentences.



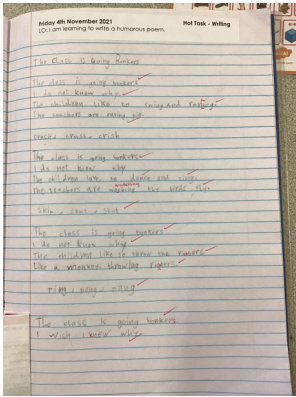
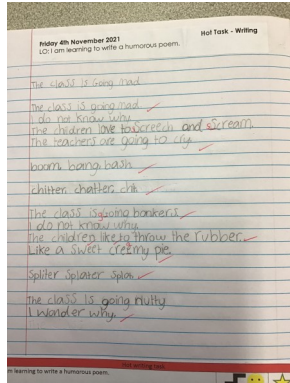
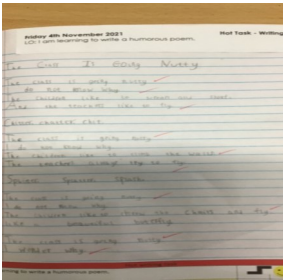
Hadid

This week we have been studying recounts. We spoke about using time words like 'next' and 'then'. We wrote our own routines for the morning using these words.



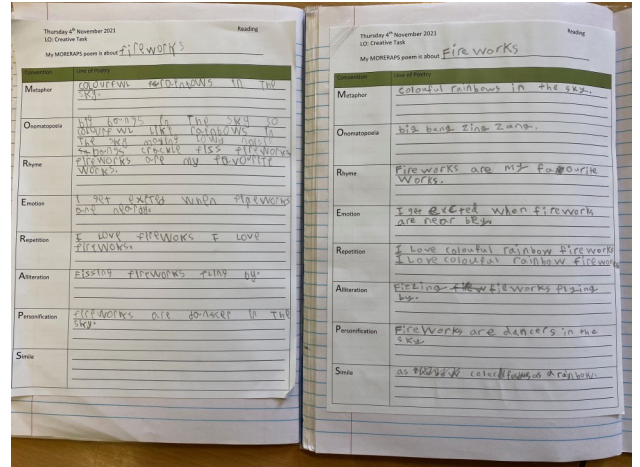
Seacole

We enjoyed creating a humorous poem, using the features of poetry, in our Writing Lesson. Here are some of the great poems we wrote!



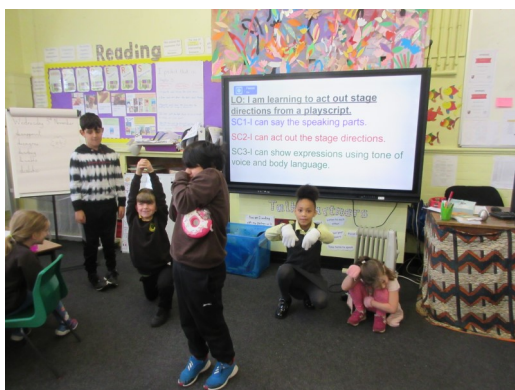
Bolt

This week we have been learning all about poetry and today we used Joseph Coelho MORERAPS to help us to write our own poem about fireworks.



Dahl

In English, we are learning all about playscripts. In these photos we were acting out different playscripts and paying particular attention to the stage directions, to inform our facial expressions, body language and tone of our voices.



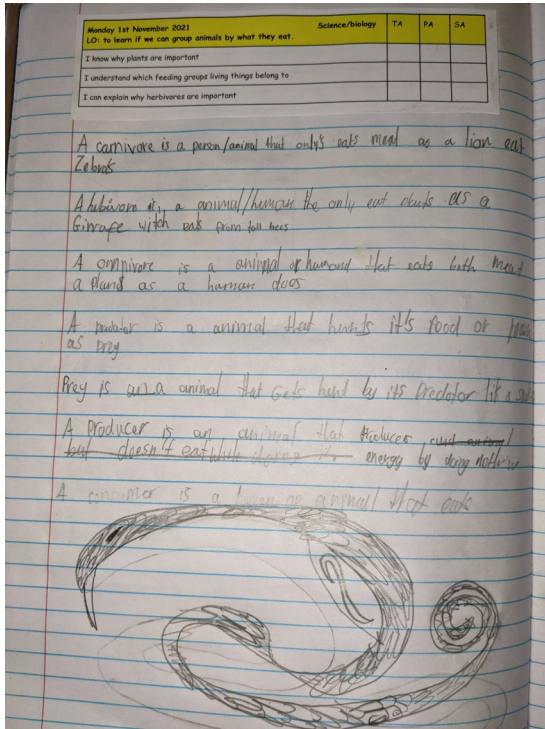
Attenborough

Welcome to one day only of ghouls academy! 🎃



Fibonacci

In science this week we have been learning about carnivores and herbivores.



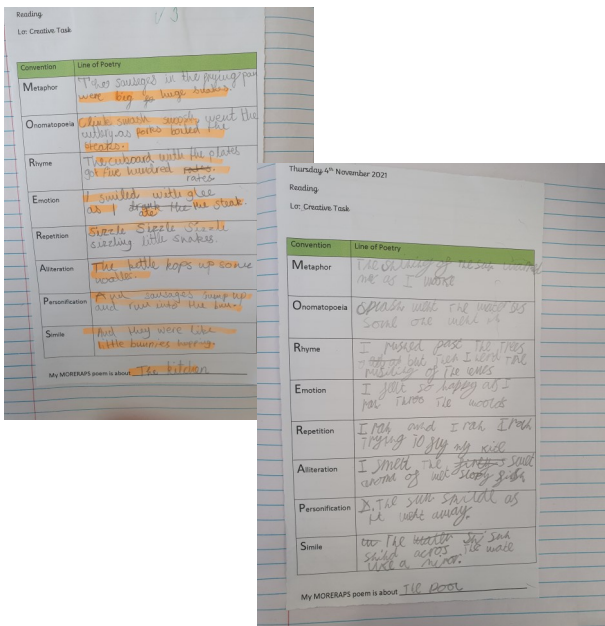
Gandhi

This week we have started trying new signs in class that the children have loved using. When they place their hand on their chest it means they were going to say the same thing as what has just been said, a thumb up means they agree with the point, a thumb down means they don't. When they link their fingers together it means they want to add to what has just been suggested. It has encouraged lots of discussion in class. Well done Gandhi class for using it so quickly and so well.



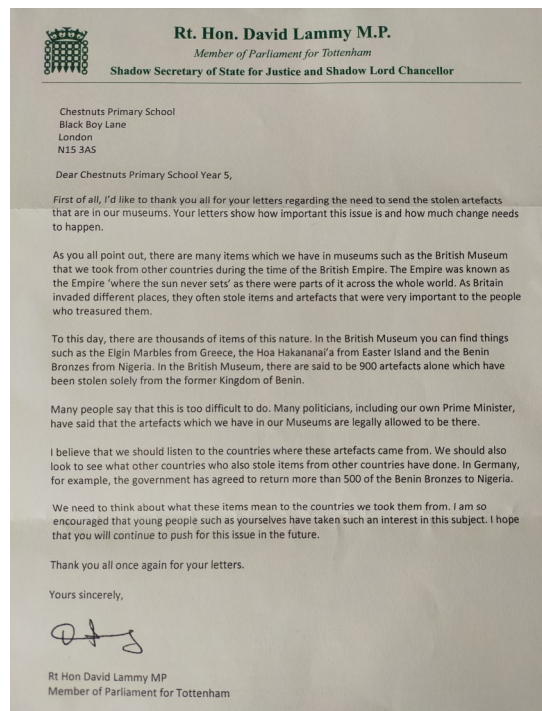
Thompson

This week in reading, children looked at Poetry. We looked at conventions of Poetry. We wrote poems based on MORERAPS. They enjoyed writing and sharing their poems with their peers.



Pankhurst

Pankhurst Class wrote to our MP David Lammy about the issue of stolen artefacts within many of our museums. We were amazed and delighted by his quick and detailed response.



Malala

This week we classified living things according to their characteristics. Do you know what a vertebrate is? Is a bird warm-blooded?



Mandela

During long learning sessions we have a couple minutes Brain break when the kids get out of their chair to dance or do some mini exercise.



The LIBRARY Zone

During the Covid restrictions I have particularly missed going to bookshop events and meeting authors, so I was extra pleased to be invited to the book launch for this book at Muswell Hill's Children's Bookshop. She kindly signed a copy of the book for the school.



This week I am reading Maggie Blue and the Dark World, the first book by a local author, Anna Goodall.

This weekend, another, better known, local author will be at the bookshop signing books – **Michael Rosen!** Be early if you hope to get him to sign a book! The shop will be selling Sticky McStick Stick about him learning to walk again after Covid.



Ms Efthymiou, librarian@chestnutsprimary.com @ChestnutsLib

After School Club

From next week (Monday 8th November) we have added an additional pick up time to after school club. As well as being able to pick up your children at 4.45pm and 5.45pm you can now pick up at **5.15pm** as well.

Please can you let Ms Roberts (The After School Club Manager) know which pick up time you would like by emailing:

asc@chestnutsprimary.com

Your child will be brought to the relevant exit at the time you have chosen.

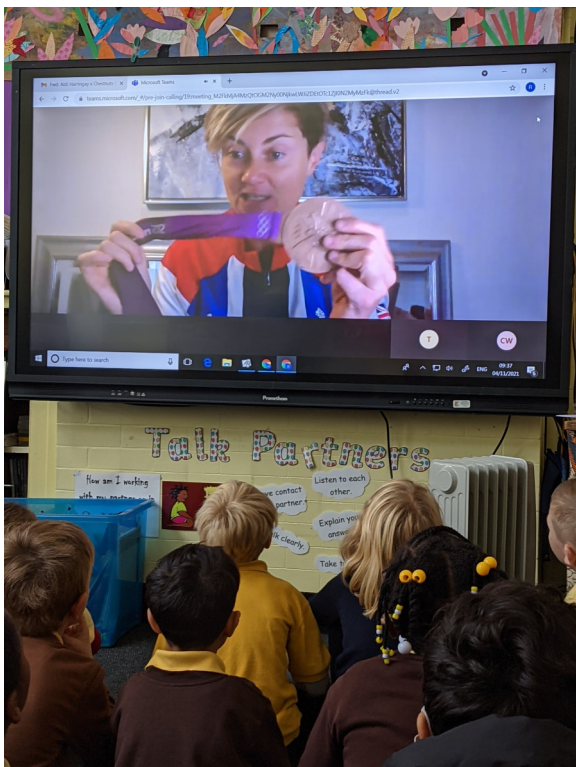
All KS1 children are collected from the Breakfast Club entrance.

Years 3&4 are collected from the nursery entrance.

Years 5& 6 are collected from the main entrance.

If you have any problems please contact Ms Roberts.

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Aldi Haringey x Chestnuts Primary School Virtual Assembly

On Thursday 4th November, children from our school participated in a very special assembly with GB Olympian Sally Walton. She talked to us about her experiences as an Olympian, believing in yourself and the importance of healthy eating and exercise.

We also had the opportunity to ask Sally some questions and find lots of new and interesting facts! She was very inspiring and we loved seeing a real Olympic medal close up!