



# Chestnuts Primary School



## NEWSLETTER

12th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy Maths week this week where the children have been engaged in activities showing how Maths is all around us in our everyday lives as well as completing Yohaku puzzles and representing their age with many different materials.

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and we will be linking this to our literacy timetable through reading the poems from "The Same Inside". To celebrate our individuality we are asking the children to wear odd socks to school next week.

We are also busy planning our winter celebrations so please look out for more information on those.

Finally I am afraid the nurses who were administering the Flu jab did not arrive yesterday (Thursday). We are currently rearranging and we will let you know when they can return.

Have a lovely weekend

Katie Horwood



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

# Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 16th &  
Wednesday 17th November**

Parents Evenings

**Sunday 5th December**

Winter Fair 11am—2pm

**Friday 10th December**

Christmas Jumper Day

**Wednesday 15th December**

Christmas Lunch

**Wednesday 15th December at  
5.30pm**

Carols in the Park

**Friday 17th December**

End of Term—finish at 2pm

## Ms West's Spooky Story Winners

We had some really great entries and it was very difficult to choose winners.

We had long stories, short stories, suspenseful stories, eerie stories and very **VERY** scary stories!

Congratulations to the following winners and prizes will be handed out next week:

### R-Y3 winners:

1st place Clio (and Mum) from Seacole class

2nd place Polly from Attenborough class

### Y4—Y6 Winners:

1st Place Lenny from Dahl class

2nd Place Alex from Mandela class

3rd Place Safal from Gandhi class

You can read the winners' stories here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OES68M9rA64y3a34dnXzz0M5aSc8-jD2Ql3X5mqjvS0/edit?usp=sharing>

### Nursery

We are working on our focus book "The colour monster". We have been talking about feelings and what to do when we feel sad and scared. Then, the children have created their own monster! But don't worry, they are all very friendly, we are not scared!



# What we have done this week

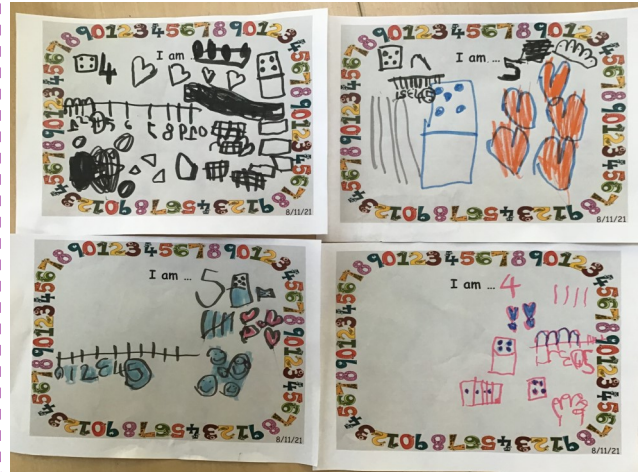
**Ahlberg**

We love our PE sessions with Mr Abdel. This week we have been playing different games to develop our hand-eye coordination.



**Donaldson**

This week we have been thinking about how many different ways we can show our age. We can show our age as a numeral, a word, in pictures, in a 5 frame, as tally marks, on our fingers and on dominoes and dice. Lots of ways to show 4 and 5!



**Mozart**

This week, we did a variety of maths activities and games because it was maths week. We played a game in pairs called Incy Wincy Spider which involved rolling a dice and counting. We also played another game in pairs called Nim7, which required 7 objects.



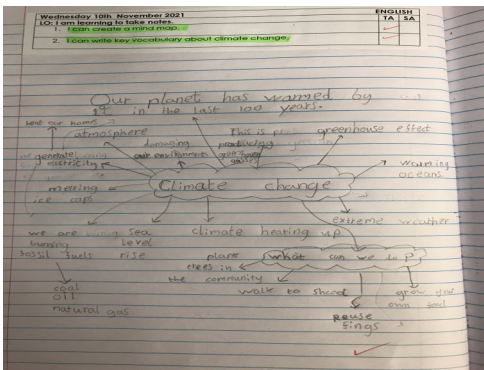
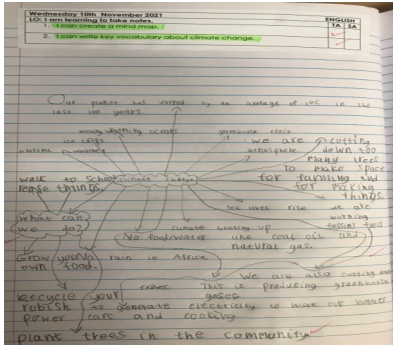
**Hadid**

In music we are learning the song 'Rhythm in the Way We Walk.'



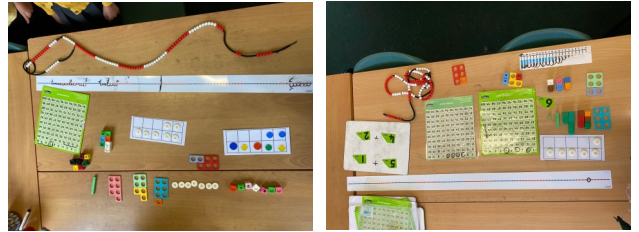
**Seacole**

This week we have learnt about climate change and sustainability. We have been creating mind-maps to generate topic vocabulary to write non-chronological reports.



**Bolt**

This week in Bolt class we have really enjoyed Maths week and completing the various challenges. Here we were finding various ways to show our age using different maths resources.



**Dahl**

In Music we have been learning about how we read, write and play music. We have enjoyed playing xylophones and glockenspiels.



**Attenborough**

This week in maths week the children have been showing how many ways they can represent/calculate their age using a large range of representations. Look how many ways they came up with!



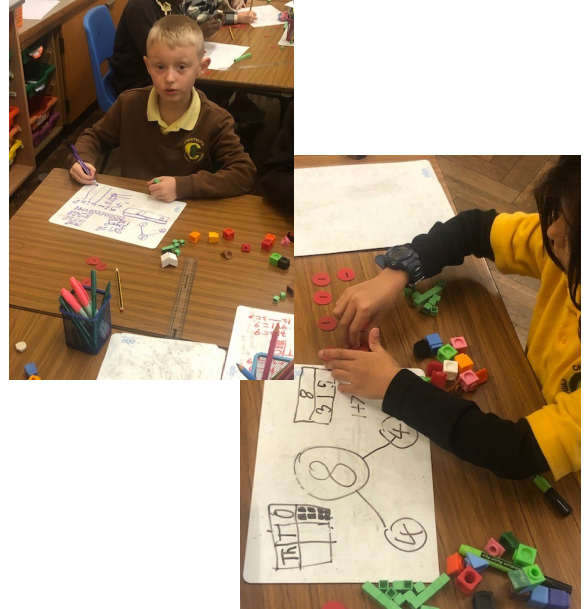
## Fibonacci

This week in our art lessons we were designing cans of food, this linked in with our persuasive adverts we are writing in English.



## Gandhi

This week was Maths week and we have been having fun with numbers and puzzles. We began by asking the children to use various ways to represent their age. They could build it with counters or write it in bar models (preferably both and more). It was a great way to kick off the week with lots of creativity and laughing.



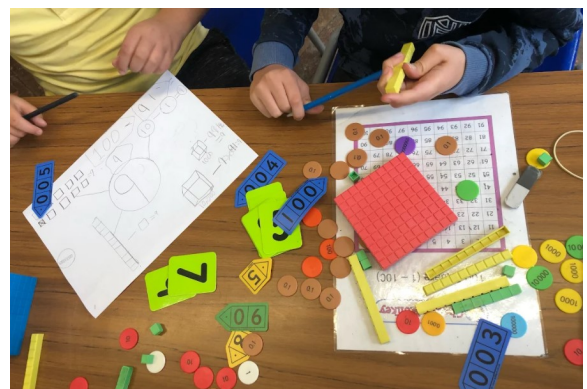
## Thompson

This week, children participated in Mathematics World Cup for Maths week. They had plenty of fun competing in teams and enjoying the different activities in Maths.



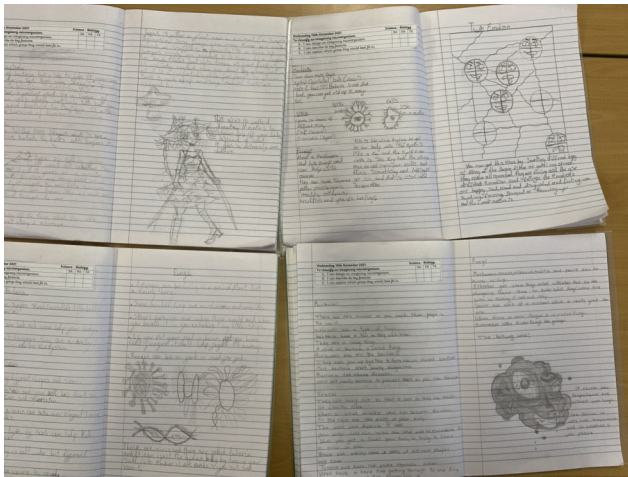
## Pankhurst

This week has been Maths week. We used different Maths resources to represent our ages. We used all four operations to create calculations with our ages as the answers.



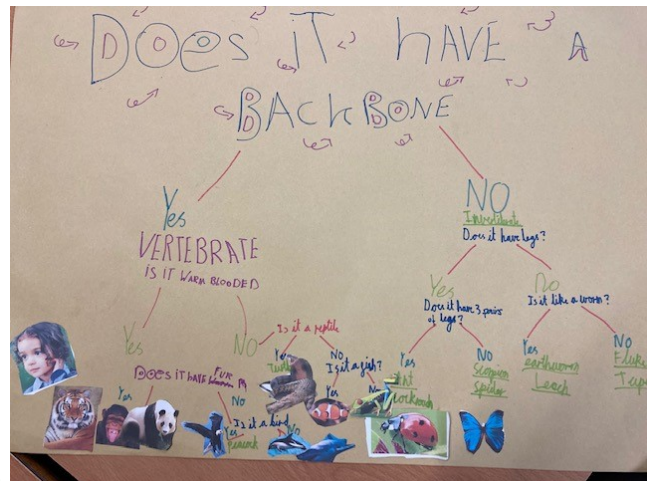
Malala

For our Living Things Science topic we are looking at microbes. We have been creating our own micro-organisms designed to survive in a variety of climates.

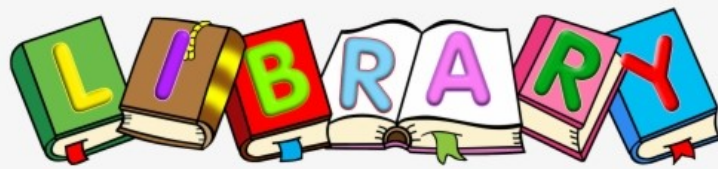


Mandela

We are learning about the different kingdoms in Science and we classified animals in the animal kingdom according to a variety of criteria.



The



Zone

Before Covid, I trained some wonderful library helpers, but they have now all moved on to secondary schools!

Last week I invited children in Year 6 to apply for this pupil librarian role. What a response! So many children volunteered, with some lovely comments like:

"Because I like helping"

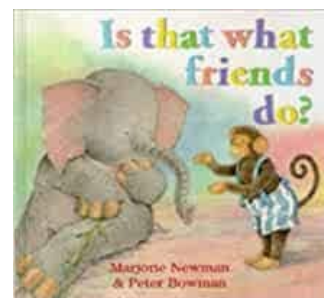
"I feel like showing an act of kindness to the library"

"I want to make sure you have some help"

So, I am now training not one team, but three! These children will each come for one lunchtime each week to help with shelving and labelling books and learning more to help the school. There will be another team in January, and I really look forward to working with all these keen children.

Thank you!

With Anti-bullying Week coming, I have started to share this lovely book with some of the younger classes. Monkey is not being considerate of Elephant, laughing at him if he cannot do things. But Monkey learns to be a kinder friend and listen to Elephant's ideas and wishes.



Ms Efthymiou, [librarian@chestnutsprimary.com](mailto:librarian@chestnutsprimary.com) @ChestnutsLib



We are restarting the school council. It will be led by Miss West, Ms Watson and Ms Hen.

School council is a great way for pupils to have their voices heard on subjects that matter to them. We need a dynamic, passionate group of children to join who are happy to give up some of their lunch break to about issues that matter to them and their peers.

If you think you would like to join the school council, write a short (no more than 200 words) application explaining why you would be great at the job.

You can hand this into the office- make sure you address it to school council leaders- or write it on a google doc and share with

[AHT@chestnutsprimaryschool.com](mailto:AHT@chestnutsprimaryschool.com)

## PLAY LEADERS WANTED

Sometimes, we all have a day when we feel a bit grey. Maybe we are a bit tired. Maybe our best friend isn't in today or maybe we are just feeling a bit sad or lonely.

We are looking for children who are willing to be a friendly face in the playground. The ideal candidate is someone who is confident, caring and approachable, who will help other children feel happy and enjoy playtimes.

If you think you have the skills to be play leader- write a short application explaining why you think you should have the job. Think about what skills you need and the kind of person you are.

You can hand this into the office- make sure you address it to school council leaders- or write it on a google doc and share with

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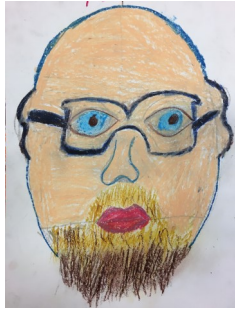


## Art Classes



### Portraits

The brief was use no pencils or the colour black.



Amazing  
results!



### Breakfast Club and After School Club

We have been having fun with morning chess  
and after school games!



Don't forget to keep Ms Roberts informed as to what pick up time you would like or if you need to change it by emailing: [asc@chestnutsprimary.com](mailto:asc@chestnutsprimary.com)

Your child will be brought to the relevant exit at either 4.45, 5.15 or 5.45.

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.



# ONE KIND WORD

## Anti-bullying Week 2021

Next week is anti bullying week and the theme for 2021 is 'One kind word'. We will kick off the week on Monday 15th November, with a special whole school assembly and Odd Socks Day. All you need to do is wear odd socks to school! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in anti-bullying week. During the week we will have lots of fun activities and learning which address bullying and promote kindness. You can find some useful resources for Parents and Carers here: <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>



P.S.A.N.E.S

## Winter Fair

We are very excited to announce that we will be having a Winter Fair this year on **5th December from 11am until 2pm.**

As usual this will be a fun packed event full of music, crafts and games with plenty of wonderful things to eat and drink!

If anyone has any donations for the tombola and raffle we would be very grateful. Please drop them off in the school office or contact the PSA at:

[chestnutsprimarypsa@gmail.com](mailto:chestnutsprimarypsa@gmail.com)

Please don't forget to bring in your second hand uniform, that is suitable to reuse, to the school office.

**Many thanks for your support**

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