



Chestnuts Primary School



NEWSLETTER

10th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

In the light of the new Government recommendations I would like to remind you that we would like all visitors to wear a facemask when entering the school. We are also very disappointed that we have been advised to cancel all our planned in person Christmas performances but I feel this is a necessary precaution when we are so close to Christmas. We will film all shows and make sure they are available for families to enjoy.

The PSA are organising a Parent Present Room next week. If you would like your child to take part please book and pay on Parent Pay by Sunday.

Please remember that all our Enrichment Clubs finished this week so they will not be happening next week. Also don't forget there is an additional Inset Day 28th January.

Have a lovely weekend

Katie Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 15th December

Christmas Lunch

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KS1 Nativity Hadid & Mozart **Cancelled**

Thursday 16th December

KS1 Nativity: Bolt & Seacole **Cancelled**

Wednesday 15th December

5.30pm Carols in the Park **Cancelled**

Friday 17th December

End of Term—finish at 2pm (No ASC)

Tuesday 4th January

Inset Day—No School

Wednesday 5th January

Back to School

Cancellation of Nativity Shows and Carol Concert

Unfortunately, due to the new Government guidelines we will be unable to allow parents in to the school to watch the children's Nativity Shows. This is a complete blow as the children and staff have worked really hard on them and have enjoyed their rehearsals.

We have decided that we do not want all their efforts to go to waste so we will be filming the shows and putting them on google classroom for you and your family to enjoy. We are sorry to give you such disappointing news.

Nursery

We had a special delivery this week! An Elf came to visit us, he wrote us some letters and he also brought us his favourite story "Stick Man". The Elf was upside down in his house so we decided to set him free, we tried different ways to do it and finally we did it!. After that, the children decided to make a new house for him. They were working very hard but they finally made a big safe house for the Elf.

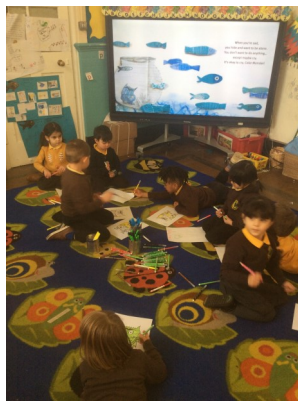


What we have done this week

Ahlberg

This week we looked at the colour Monster which is brilliant for helping children to name their emotions. Each child coloured in their own monster to show how they are feeling and they could all explain what made them feel like that.

(Yellow - Happy, Blue - Sad, Black - Worried/scared, Green- Calm and peaceful, Red- Angry, Pink- Loved)



Donaldson

We have been enjoying practising our wrapping skills! It has been tricky (one of our words this week!) but fun. We had to choose the correct size piece of paper, and also cut and attach the tape. Maybe you will be the lucky recipient of a gift?



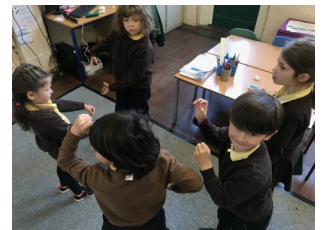
Mozart



We created an autumn themed display board which contains Autumn poems based on our senses i.e what we can see, hear, smell, feel and taste in the Autumn. We also created autumnal artwork with our hands and paint.

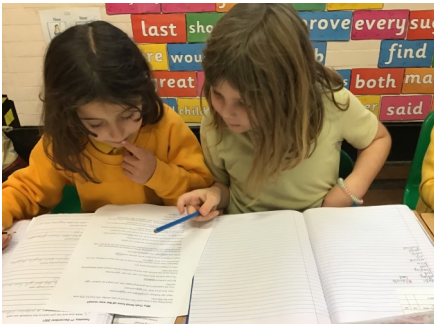
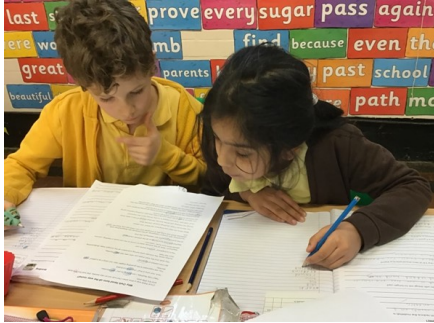
Hadid

This week we have been learning about the great fire of London. We made freeze frames of key events, showing off our super acting skills!



Seacole

This week we have been reading folktales from around the world. We have enjoyed exploring the different tales with our partners and have created a key to identify key features of the text.



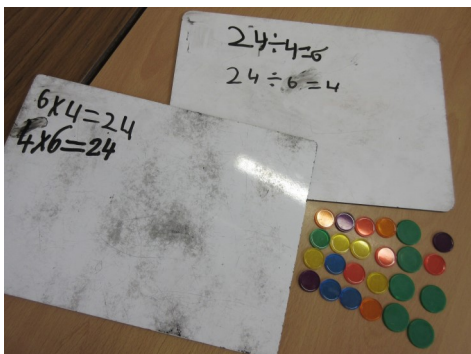
Bolt

This week for reading, we have been learning all about recycling. We looked around our classroom and decided which items we could reduce, reuse and recycle.



Dahl

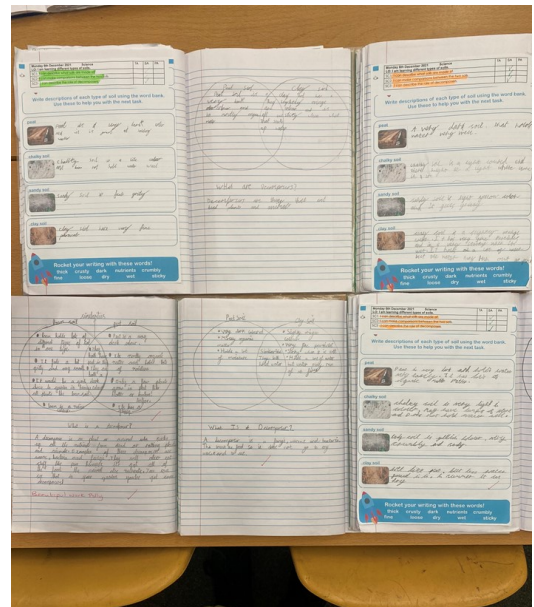
In Maths we have been using counters to Explore multiplication and division.



Attenborough

This week we have been making comparisons between different soils. We used a Venn diagram to show this.

We described the important role of decomposers in our soil and what they are.



Fibonacci

We look fabulous in our Christmas hats and jumpers !!!



Gandhi

This week's science experiment was not the neatest, but it certainly helped the children learn about the absorption of food in our bodies. They crushed crackers in a bag with water and vinegar (which was acting as stomach acid) and then pushed the paste they had created down tights (which were acting as the small intestine). I doubt any of them will ever ask for vinegar again!



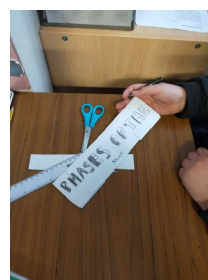
Thompson

This week in English, we looked at Instructions. As a part of our topic, in History we are learning about Ancient Egypt. Children followed instructions on mummification. They loved working in groups, learning the process of mummifying a pharaoh.



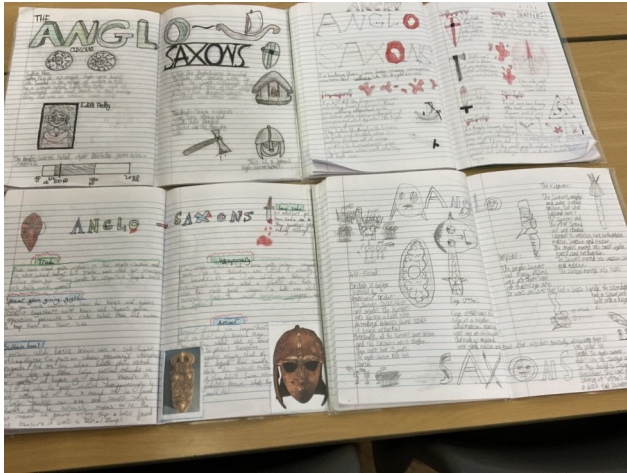
Pankhurst

Ms Mey (our Student Teacher) taught us about the phases of the moon. We made individual leaflets showing what we can see of the moon changes. We had a joke about how you never hear about a waxing gibbous in story books but plenty of new or full moons!



Malala

The children created a page summarising all their learning from our Anglo-Saxon topic.

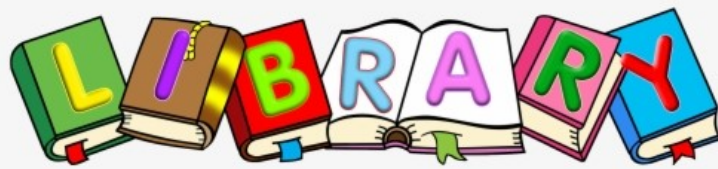


Mandela

As a well deserved reward after all the hard work this half term we got to enjoy a fun dance workshop on Wednesday.



The



Zone



It was lovely to meet so many parents and carers at the Winter Fayre.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped on the book stall, and to all the volunteers and families who came together to make it a successful and cheerful Fayre, despite the cold and damp! The PSA is your PSA, supporting us all in the school.

I am very grateful to have secured some PSA funding which will be used to pay for some authors and illustrators to visit and talk with children after the Christmas break.

I am part of a group of 4 school librarians within Haringey who choose a shortlist of 6 books for the Bibliobuzz Alexandra Palace Children's Book Awards. These 6 books get read in book clubs in Years 5, 6 and 7 in local schools and children vote on their favourite.

I shall very shortly be announcing our shortlist and inviting children in Year 5 and 6 to form a book club and join in with the award. I am really looking forward to this!

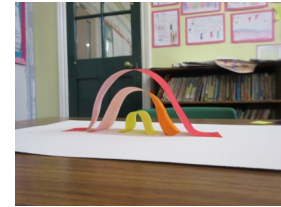


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Art Classes

In Year 3 Children explored contemporary Sculptures and did some reproductions using paper. They did a really good job!



Covid Precautions

PCR tests should be taken if your child:

- shows covid symptoms

- has had a positive lateral flow test

- has been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case

Lateral flow tests are for asymptomatic testing for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. If your child has symptoms a PCR test should be arranged.

If someone in your household tests positive for Covid arrange for a PCR test.

Anyone with symptoms should self isolate and wait for the results of their PCR test.

Anyone without symptoms at Primary School can continue to attend school but should take a lateral flow test every day for 7 days. If your child becomes symptomatic during this time keep them at home and arrange for a PCR test.



The school council play leaders will start in the spring term. The following children are in the roles.

If you would like join please email AHT@chestnutsprimary.com

Year group	School council	Play leader
Year 1	Beth	Beth
Year 2	Jack	
Year 3	Milo Polly	Alexia Diyaan
Year 4	Tilly Delilah	Safal Nuha Delilah
Year 5	Lochan Sirac	George Delphi Maggie Ptryk
Year 6	Amber Alex	Talia Nicholas



Weekly football sessions for girls aged between 5 – 11 at the Tottenham Hotspur Foundation Wildcats Centre. Wildcats is non-competitive football for girls who want to give it a go for the very first time or want to play with other girls their own age.

Come along, take part, and have fun!

Sessions will take place on:

THURSDAYS
4PM – 5PM FOR AGES 5 – 8
5:15PM – 6:15PM FOR AGES 9 - 11

@N17 Arena, Tottenham Hotspur Stadium,
Worcester Avenue, N17 0BX

Please note that participants must sign up to sessions in advance.

To sign up, please contact us by email:
Thf.activities@tottenhamhotspur.com

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LADIES FOOTBALL

A friendly football session for women aged 30+. Tottenham Hotspur Foundation coaches can help you try something new, develop your skills, and get fit playing football. Sessions are tailored to feel in-between regular and walking football and all abilities are welcome. Come along, take part, and have fun.

Sessions will take place on:

MONDAYS
10am – 11am @ N17 Arena, Tottenham Hotspur
Stadium, Worcester Avenue, N17 0BX

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