



Chestnuts Primary School



NEWSLETTER

13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I know it has been a challenge for our Year 6 children but they have handled SATs extremely well and we are very proud of the effort they have made. They can now look forward to doing all the fun things in their final half term with us. One of these is working towards their end of year performance. In order to raise funds for this they will be holding a cake sale on Thursday 19th May outside the main office after school. Please come along and buy a delicious cake.

Hopefully the weather will be getting warmer over the next few weeks so please make sure your child is wearing appropriate clothing (no bare shoulders) and have sun cream applied before school.

Have a great weekend!

Katie Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 26th May

Year 1 concert at Wigmore Hall

Monday 30th May—Monday 6th

June

Half Term

Tuesday 7th June

Back to School

Tuesday 7th June

Class Photographs

Tuesday 21st—Wed 22nd June

Reception Parent Evenings in School

Tuesday 28th June

Guitar Concert

Wednesday 29th June

Reception Trip to Walthamstow Wetlands

Sunday 3rd July

Chestival

Tuesday 5th July

KS2 Rock Steady Concert

Wednesday 6th July

Sports Day

Tuesday 12th July

KS1 Rock Steady Concert

Tuesday 19th July

Chestnuts Musical Performance at 4pm

Thursday 21st July

End of Term at 2pm

Nursery

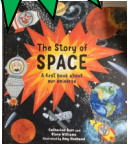


The children in the nursery have been busy watering the plants in our outdoor area. We were lucky enough to welcome Nadja back who brought us some potatoes to plant. We can't wait for them to grow so that we can do some cooking.



What we have done this week

Ahlberg



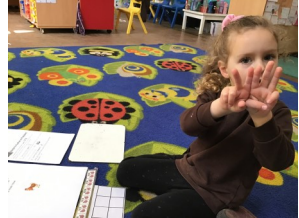
This week we have all been fascinated by the amazing facts we have learned about space. In our story of the week (The story of space) there were facts from before the Big Bang 13.8 billion years ago till today and even potential facts in the future.

It was also a very nice way to learn about our universe and to also introduce non fiction books and teach children how to differentiate them from fiction books.



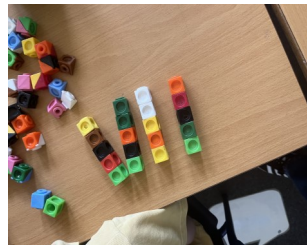
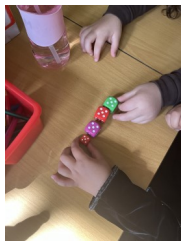
Donaldson

We have been looking at problem solving in maths. We have worked through different word problems using a 4 step strategy to problem solving. First we look at the problem and try to understand what it is asking us to do; Secondly we make a plan of the resources we may use to solve it; Thirdly we carry out our plan and fourthly we check that we are correct by using a different method to the one that we chose the first time. We are becoming excellent problem solvers!



Mozart

Mozart class had fun investigating all the different ways we can make 'groups of' 2s, 5s and 10s. This is to support our Maths topic of multiplication. They had so much fun!

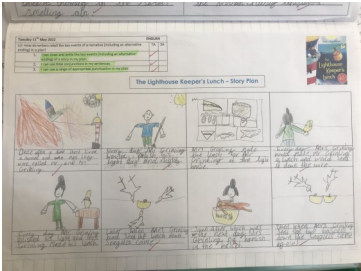


Hadid

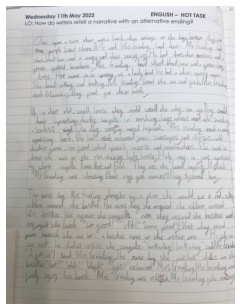
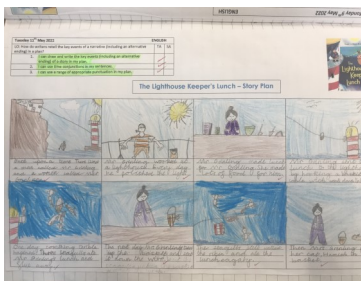
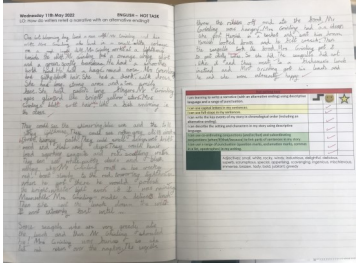
We learnt a new song about using our imagination! It was so much fun!



Seacole

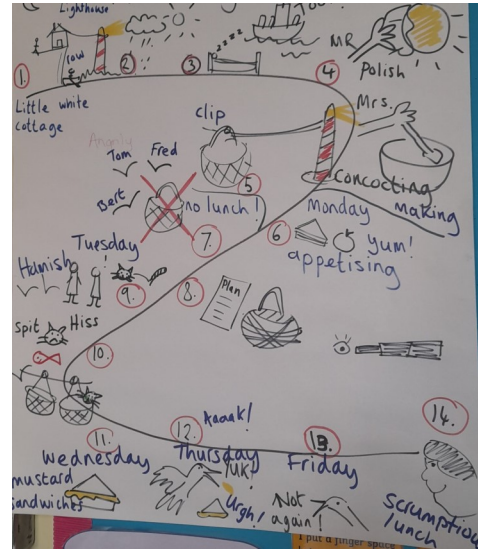


This week we have continued to learn about 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' by Ronda and David Armitage. They have enjoyed planning and writing their own stories with an alternative ending. Here are some of their amazing storyboards and stories.



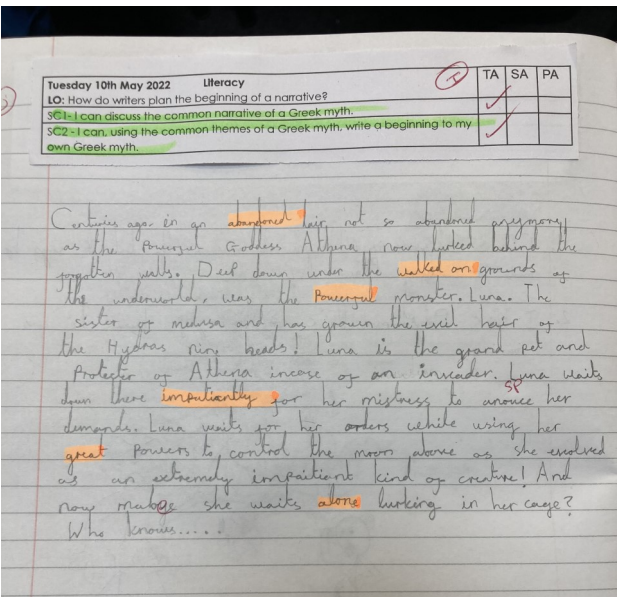
Bolt

In Bolt Class we waved goodbye to our Story Map based on the Lighthouse Keepers lunch and wrote out our own alternative ending to the story. We really got creative with our writing skills and had the opportunity to include Expanded Noun phrases, similes, direct speech and a variety of punctuation.



Dahl

We have been learning how to write a narrative using common themes of a Greek myth.



Attenborough

This week in literacy, we are planning to write our own Greek Myth. In this picture the children are working in groups to brainstorm ideas to create their own evil, Greek, mythical monsters.



Fibonacci

This week during science we have been exploring circuits. Here we have some of the students using batteries and wires to light a light bulb.



Gandhi

Based on their knowledge of the statues and statuettes of ancient civilisations the children have been using clay to build their own figurines.



Thompson

This week the children participated in an exciting activity with a member from Tottenham Spurs Foundation as a part of their work with Premier League Primary Stars. They

worked on their dribbling / throwing skills and had plenty of fun



Pankhurst

In Pankhurst Class, we have been writing narratives based on the book 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgewick. We have imagined what it would be like to be stranded on 'Eels Island' and what Zoe would do to escape. Our focus has been using descriptive language and interweaving dialogue with action.

FLOODLAND (Zeno)

Squirming like a worm on the broken pew, trying to seek her comfortable position, the pew creaked and the lightning bolt shaped cracks were likely to give way any moment. Mould encroached on the knave, infecting it with grime like a disease. Only ragged traces of glass remained on the rotting window sills. The scent of burnt freewood flooded Zoe's nose and caused her to sneeze. An immense blanket of dirt, rocks and sticks concealed the floor beneath. Collapsed walls lay everywhere like a graveyard of rocks.

Zoe thought and thought. How was she going to escape? She had to get off this island of hell and firstly, find her boat. This island was full of buttes, like Dooby who she did not trust.

"INVASION!" Yelled one of the guards, slamming the doors and standing in front of them while locking the doors of the cathedral. As soon as that occurred the cathedral was total chaos. With no time to lose, Dooby activated his plan. Everyone! Find whatever can be used as a weapon. "Spat! You stand behind the door and scrag anyone who dares to enter." Commanded Dooby; Spat's eyes gleamed with delight after Dooby said that but he did not have much time to feel happy because the door was smashed down with a crash. Spat threw himself and them. Dooby went into battle, holding a sword he had fashioned, as shiny as a brand new golden car, out of a spike and two sticks for a handle.

While the battle went on, Zoe saw her chance to get to her boat and escape the horrific island. Without hesitation, Zoe sprinted through the bodies and out of the huge cathedral doors (which had been smashed by the tribe). However, Zoe was not alone for long, because Dooby soon found out and went after her. "Come back! You're supposed to take me as well!" Zoe's heart was pounding like a drum and her tiredness now did not exist. Suddenly, she spotted her boat. She ran towards it but Dooby was gaining on her every second...

When she reached the boat, Dooby was a few metres behind her but Zoe hauled the boat into the water and leaped in. "I never trusted you." She yelled, as she vanished below the horizon. "NOOOOOOO!" Dooby screamed.

Floodland (Chloe)

Trying to sleep was difficult, Zoe was squirming from side to side. Trying to find a comfortable way to sleep on the dusty, broken pew. Looking up, vines were starting to creep in, taking over the old derelict building. Bits of rubble were falling off the walls onto the floor, covering it in dust and dirt. In the morning when Zoe woke up, the bright sun was shining through the stained glass window, making the floor seem like a rainbow and when the sun went in it was like a graveyard for bricks and rubble.

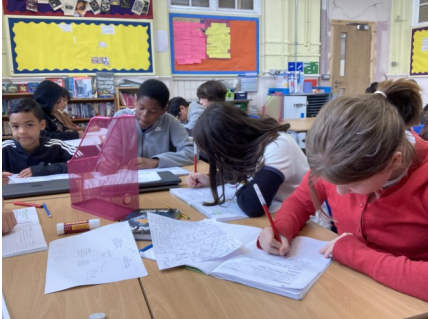
She was fed up with it, Zoe needed to escape from Eels Island. She didn't need to be woken up by Spat kicking her in the ribs. Zoe pondered. She tried not to catch anyone's attention while she looked around the broken down cathedral, trying to find a way out without Dooby noticing that she had gone. She needed to find her parents, even though Sarah and Milly said they were dead. At that moment a fear rolled down Zoe's face. She knew the sea level would keep on rising and this place would probably flood like Norwich did. The food supply was running low so she needed some proper food.

Zoe had to make sure no one saw her preparing to leave, otherwise they would scrag her for sure. Maybe if Dooby went to check on Lycca (her boat). Zoe could follow him unnoticed and then she would know where they had hid her boat. She didn't want to bring Dooby with her, because Zoe had never trusted anyone after her parents had left her, but she would need food and water. At night if it rained she would use the rain water as something to drink and she would take some of the food supplies from Dooby's room to eat. Dooby also said he had a motor for a boat so she would use that. Therefore she wouldn't have to use lots of her energy to row the boat and then she would set sail towards the west to find more land.

"Attack!" Yelled one of the guards, quickly closing the cathedral doors. "Intruder!" Bellowed Dooby holding a sharp piece of wood "Get ready for battle!" The once silent cathedral started running frantically around looking for anything they could use as weapons. "Munchkin! Get on the roof and if anyone tries to enter, throw bricks onto them." Shouted Dooby. "Do you really think you can win?" Said the other tribe's leader. "Spat where's that girl Zoe, go and find her!" Commanded Dooby. Zoe was inside looking out of one of the stained glass windows wondering if this was the right time to escape from Eels Island. Then Spat burst through the huge wooden doors. "What are you doing here! Come and help us fight!" Yelled Spat.

Malala

After finishing our SATs tests we were straight back to our topic learning. We found out about different animals in the Amazon's intricate ecosystem and re-searched their place in the food chain.

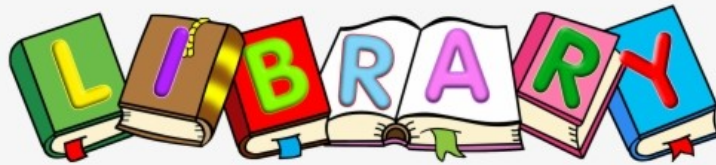


Mandela

After an extremely tiring but satisfying week of completing SATs papers we spent an amazing time in the park to relax before start working on our end of year production.



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Zone



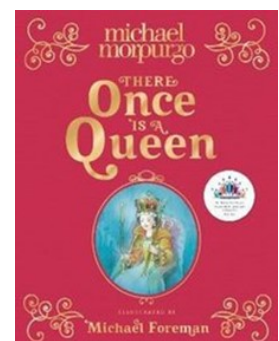
This week I have been starting to think about celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Sixty years is an astounding amount of time to have been on the throne!

I love these two books by author-illustrator Steve Antony. In them, we follow the queen's hat around London after a gush of wind picks it off her head, and her handbag when it is taken around Britain by a cheeky swan!

This week, one of Britain's favourite story-writers, Michael Morpurgo, is releasing his latest book, to mark the jubilee.

Called There Once Was a Queen, and illustrated by the wonderful Michael Foreman, I can't wait to read it!

I will be reading from these books with children in library sessions before our own Jubilee Celebration – dressing up for a picnic on the last day before half-term (Friday 27th May).



Ms Efthymiou, librarian@chestnutsprimary.com @ChestnutsLib



We are so proud of the children that this week have been outstanding in upholding the values of the school (Chestnuts Champions) and exceptionally good work (Golden Book Awards):

Chestnuts Champion Award

★ Mandela	★ Emiliano	★ Ambitious
★ Malala	★ Nicholas	★ Great attitude to SATs
★ Thompson	★ Thomas	★ Being focused and hard work
★ Pankhurst	★ Gerald	★ Responsible—taking ownership of his work
★ Gandhi	★ Haider	★ Responsible and hard working in maths
★ Fibonacci	★ Ida	★ Ambitious in maths
★ Dahl	★ Shania	★ Compassion
★ Attenborough	★ Zara	★ Ambitious—high standard of work
★ Bolt	★ Tahiya	★ Responsible for reading folder
★ Seacole	★ Alyah	★ Being resilient in maths lessons
★ Hadid	★ Jesse	★ Being resilient and always contributing in class
★ Mozart	★ Azra	★ Respectful and ambitious

Golden Book Award

★ Mandela	★ Lennie	★ Resilience in his attitude to SATs
★ Malala	★ Enza	★ Perseverance with learning this year
★ Thompson	★ Leo	★ Being helpful and working hard in maths and reading
★ Pankhurst	★ Chloe	★ Always trying her best in whatever she puts her mind to
★ Gandhi	★ Minnie	★ Consistent hard work in every lesson
★ Fibonacci	★ Diarmaid	★ Great work in topic
★ Dahl	★ Nicole	★ Excellent presentation
★ Attenborough	★ Akeliah	★ Creative & Ambitious
★ Bolt	★ Dominik	★ Dedication in writing
★ Seacole	★ Elizabeth	★ Being engaged during lessons
★ Hadid	★ Kathleen	★ Fantastic improvement and focus in reading
★ Mozart	★ Ayla	★ Trying hard with her descriptive writing



Having fun at After School Club



Netball News

On Tuesday 10th May 2022, Chestnut went to a netball match against Seven Sisters. It was an exciting and friendly match because everyone was so nice. Seven Sisters fought very hard, but Chestnuts won with a score of 11-4.



Team

Kornel Y4
(captain)
Minnie Y4
Dionne Y4
Delilah Y4
Cattleya Y4
Joshua Y5
Milo L Y5
Mina Y5
Tomas Y5





Art Classes

Year 6, have been making little clay sculptures inspired by the soap-stone carvings of the Inuits.



The Chestnuts Greatest Quiz is Back!

Friday 27th May

7.30 – 11pm

Tickets are available through Parent Pay

Book now!



**THE
GREATEST
QUIZ**

**IT'S GOING TO
BE A LEGENDARY
NIGHT!**

AT CHESTNUTS PRIMARY SCHOOL
On Friday 27th May 2022, 7.30pm - 11pm

£10 PER TICKET

Minimum 2 per team, maximum 6. You can join up with other people on the night if you want to be part of a bigger team. Licensed bar and snacks. Tickets available from ParentPay.