

# Chestnuts Primary School NEWSLETTER

08 November 2019

#### Dear Families,

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half term.

As you can see from the Dates for your Diary sections we have an extremely busy half term ahead of us. Please keep an eye on the newsletter and notice boards for reminders of all the activities we have planned.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

#### Mrs Horwood

# Individual School Photographs

You can now view and order your child's photographs on line at https://churchbury.gotphoto.co.uk. Those who have registered will receive an email and you have until Tuesday 26th November to place your order on line.

### Flu Vaccinations

The children should have brought home their flu vaccination packs this week. Please make sure you fill them in and return them to school as soon as possible even if your child is not having the vaccination. Thank you.

### **Dates for your diary**



- Wednesday 13th November Early Years Maths Workshop at 9-10am
- Thursday 14th November PSA Meeting 7:30–9pm
- Friday 15th November Anti-bullying Day
- Thursday 21st November Shirley Thompson visits the school
- Thursday 21st November Y4 trip to the V&A (Rearranged till Jan)
- Friday 22nd November Y4 trip to the Tate Britain
- **Friday 22nd November** Dahl Class Assembly (changed from 20th)
- Wednesday 27th November Flu Vaccinations (R to Y6)
- Wednesday 27th November Fibonacci Class Assembly
- Thursday 28th November Author/Illustrator Yuval Zommer visits the school
- Friday 29th November Parents Workshop on Zones of Regulation and Asthma
- Friday 29th November Non-school uniform day for the PSA chocolate tombola
- **Wednesday 4th December** Y1 trip to Chickenshed Theatre 9–12pm
- Wednesday 4th December Early Years Writing Workshop 9–10am
- Friday 6th December Bake off for Winter Fair
- Friday 6th December Y4 trip Hayward Gallery: Bridget Riley
- Saturday 7th December Winter Fair 12:30–3:30pm
- Monday 9th December Rock Steady Concert at 9:30am
- **Monday 9th December** Nursery & Reception Winter Show 2:30–3:30pm
- Tuesday 10th December Nursery & Reception Winter Show 9:30–10:30am
- Tuesday 10th December Rock Steady Concert at 2pm
- Wednesday 11th December Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 11th December Year 1 Winter Show 2:30–3:30pm
- Friday 13th December Year 2 Winter Show 9:30–10:30am
- Tuesday 17th December Y5 to Houses of Parliament
- Tuesday 17th December KS2 Carol Singing with Families 3:30– 4:30pm
- Friday 20th December Drum Concert 9:15am
- Friday 20th Dec End of Term 2pm

### SHAKE YOUR BAUBLES FOR BIBI

Book now for a very special Christmas gig to Help Bibi Beat Cancer.



FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER 8PM-2AM, THE SALISBURY BACK ROOM.

TICKETS COST £10, AND ALL PROFITS GO TO

https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/beatriz

Beatriz is the daughter of a Chestnuts family who are raising hundreds of thousands of pounds to ensure she gets the treatment she needs.

Chestnuts SUPERBAND 'Chest-notes' playing covers of your favourite funk, soul and Christmas classics (starring Chestnut parents Claire, Wayne, Ed and Dave)

DJ Yam Who? (aka Chestnuts dad superstar Andy Williams) bringing you disco heat and a deep dose of nocturnal beats

Get your Eventbrite tickets now - space is limited! https://baublesforbibi.eventbrite.com

# Hot water bottle donations

If anyone has any unwanted water bottles and covers they no longer use at home please bring them into the school office as they are really useful for children with tummy ache or ear ache. Thank you.

### **NUT FREE SCHOOL**

Please remember that we are a nut free school. Please do not send your child in with any nuts in their packed lunch or to breakfast club. (This includes Peanuts). Thank you.

### REMINDER: Toothbrush Collections

Please remember to use the oral care recycling box in the school reception for all your toothbrushes, empty toothpaste tubes and packaging.

### **PSA News**

Thanks to all ghosts, zombies, skeletons and witches for coming to the Halloween event last week. It was a fantastic evening and raised £761 profit. Thank you to all volunteers and staff for helping it go so smoothly. We would also like to congratulate the winners the fancy dress completion in the picture opposite!

Winter fair planning is next!! We are already on lookout for raffle prizes. Please do get in touch with any ideas!



### Year 1 Trip to St Ann's Library





During October, our Year Is were taken to St Ann's Library to meet and hear from South African author Dianne Hofmeyr. She shared her book Fiddle Dee Dee with the children and some

enjoyed acting out the story with the wonderful masks Dianne had prepared. She kindly passed on templates which allowed the children to make masks in class, an activity they relished!

### Author/Illustrator visit on Thursday 28th November



Yuval Zommer graduated from the Royal College of Art with an MA in Illustration. He worked for many years as a creative director at leading advertising agencies before

becoming the author and illustrator of highly acclaimed non-fiction books.

Yuval's stunning "Big Book Of..." series has been published in 25 languages and has won and been shortlisted for numerous awards. He has a new book he will be sharing with us called "The Tree That's Meant To Be".

His visit will include spending time with our Year 2 and 3 classes and he will be in the library to meet children from throughout the school at lunch time, which will be an opportunity to buy his books and have him sign them.

We are really pleased to welcome him here at Chestnuts on Thursday 28th November.

### **School Nurse**

We are very pleased to let you know that we now have a school nurse who will visit Chestnuts to work with parents and the school regarding children's health.

The service supports children and young people from ages 5 to 19 who are attending mainstream schools in Haringey. The school nursing service aims to ensure that each child and young person achieves their full academic potential providing a valuable link between health and education.

If you would like to know more there is a leaflet in the school's reception area.

### Shirley Thompson will visit our School

Shirley Thompson OBE is an English composer, conductor and violinist. Her output as a composer encompasses symphonies, ballets, operas, concertos, and other works for ensembles, as well as music for TV, film, and theatre.

In 2002 she composed a symphony called "New Nation Rising" making her the first woman in Europe to have composed and conducted a symphony within the past 40 years. She is also an academic and is currently Reader and Head of Composition and Performance at the University of Westminster. In the 2019 New Year Honours she was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for services to Music.

We are very proud to have named one of our classes after this amazing woman and we are very excited that she is coming to visit our school on Thursday 21st November.



### **Children's Work**

The children have been working extremely hard and have produced some wonderful displays related to the topics they are covering in class. Here are just a few examples of the work they have done.

#### Mozart Class's Self Portraits:



Year 2 have been learning about the Great Fire of London:





Thompson Class's Victorian Costumes:



Donaldson Class have been looking at patterns:



Ahlberg Class's Funny Bones Firework Display:

### **Gymnastic Classes on Saturdays at Chestnuts**

There are now Legad run Gymnastic courses at Chestnuts Primary School on Saturdays. These include General, Rhythmic and Disability Gymnastics. If you would like more information please email <a href="mailto:info@lagad.co.uk">info@lagad.co.uk</a> or call Julia on 07887 367171.