

Chestnuts Primary School

NEWSLETTER



9th June 2023

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the last half term of the year. I can't believe another school year is nearly done. Please do take some time to look at and absorb the dates in the newsletter as there is lots happening this half term. In particular look out for the PSA events (Barn dance, jumble trail and Chestival) as the funds they raise are more vital than ever.

You may have seen in the news that Sadiq Khan is funding free school meals for all London children from September this year. I will write to you separately about this next week.

As the weather hotten up, please provide your child with a water bottle and a hat and send them to school with sync ream already applied.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Horwood



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Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

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Dates for your Diary

Barn Dance POSTPONED from Friday 9th June to Friday 14th July

Wednesday 14th &Thursday 15th June 3:30—4:30pm PSA Cartoon workshops (Y4 –6)

Friday 16th June 9am PSA Coffee Morning Friday 16th June 9:15am Bolt class assembly

Friday 16th June 4pm Mozart class sponsored run for Bibi

Tuesday 20th June Y3,5 & 6 trip to Bernie Grant Centre Windrush Day Celebration

Wednesday 21st June Y5 trip to Westcliff - on -Sea

Thursday 22nd June 3:30—4:30pm PSA Jumble Trail

Saturday 24th June Chestnuts PSA Jumble Trail

Wednesday 28th June 6pm Family Latin Party Fundraiser

Friday 30th June Non—Uniform Day (Donations for Chestival Tombola)

Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th &Thursday 6th July 3:30 - 4:30pm PSA Lino Printing
Workshop

Wednesday 5th July 2:40 Y4 & 5 Trumpet & Clarinet Concert

Wednesday 5th July 9:15am Mozart Class Assembly

Wednesday 5th July 9—10:30am EYFS Sports Day (in school—no parents)

Friday 7th July Bake Off Competition for Chestival

Friday 7th July 9:15am Gandhi Class Assembly

Saturday 8th July 1-5pm Chestival

Monday 10th July Y4 trip to perform at Alexandra Palace

Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th July 6pm Y6 Production

Nursery

This' week we were excited to have some new additions to our nursery. The arrived on Wednesday and have already grown so much, we think that they are very hungry caterpillars and just eat and eat! We have observed that they move slowly and that they are black and look spiky. We can't wait to come back on Monday and see how much they have grown over the weekend.







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What we have done this week

Ahlberg

Donaldson

Reception have been busy this week! We found a picture from the book Tiddler behind the story door! We made predictions about the story. Children have also been thinking of their own tall tales and silly stories just like Tiddler. Isla's tall tale was that she was late to school because she stopped to help a hurt money on the way in! We have also been focusing on teen numbers. This includes writing the number, exploring its composition and whether it is an even or odd number.









Mozart

Hadid

This term our new science topic is about 'Animals'. This week the children worked together to identify the key characteristics of the 5 animal groups.







In Hadid Class this week in maths we have been' learning to count to 100 and how to use a 100 square. We played a game with

our partners to see which number was hiding.







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Seacole Class have been learning all about the Stone Age. We gathered all the information and wrote letters and non-chronological reports to share everything we have learnt.

Bolt Class have been learning about the Stone Age. They have been working hard

to create their own cave paintings using charcoal and paints.







Attenborough

We are starting a new book this half term that begins in a mining community, so to get the children in the spirit we created our own coal mine. One of the rooms had its windows blacked out, coal was put all around and in dim lights the children had to fill bags with coal to try and understand what it might have felt and smelt like for people working underground decades ago. They loved the experience (much more than the actual children who were sent down coal mines that's for certain) and we apologise for any extra clothes washing that you may have had!



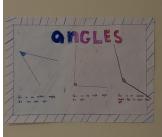




Gandhi

This week in Fibonacci class we have been looking at geometry. The pupils have completed some lovely posters about different types of angles.









In maths, we have been investigating angles in shapes and around our classroom. We used rulers to demonstrate the amount of turning between two rays meeting at a common point called a vertex.

Can you identify an acute angle? Can you identify a right angle? Can you identify an obtuse angle?





Pankhurst

Year 5 went on a super exciting trip to the Houses of Parliament on Tuesday. We went inside the House of Commons (green) and the House of Lords (red) and even got to stand where the Prime Minister stands! We had a question and answer session with David Lammy our MP who answered questions about working in Parliament. Finally we spotted the statue of Emmeline Pankhurst - our class name sake!













Year 6 took a graffiti tour around Brick Lane's vibrant art-strewn streets. We saw works by world-renowned artists such as phlegm, Fanakapan, Invaders, Stick, and Banksy. We learnt what it meant to go 'All City' with our tagging; to make sure our 'Fame Bombing' didn't look 'Toy'. It was wonderful to explore Shoreditch's wealth of history, realise how the ever-changing influx of migrants can change the culture of an area, and peruse London's very own 'Guggenheim of Street Art'. We kept our eyes open for hidden treasures - high and low - along the way. Mushrooms and dragons, anyone!? To complement our day, the children created their very own tags - Bubble, Block, and Wild style! Keep your eyes open for more exciting outcomes come end of summer term!

















Year 3 have been creating amazing looms, frames made from sticks, warp from wool and weft using botanical grasses and flowers. Beautiful!











To celebrate Pride Month, Alan Turing PhD OBE has been chosen as our STEM Hero and LGBT+ Figure. Not only is he a war hero, and widely considered to be the father of theoretical computer science and artificial intelligence; he was also a keen theoretical biologist. To start this unit's focus on Climate Change, Year 6 created their very own terrariums, highlighting the importance of creating, and maintaining, self-sustaining, healthy ecosystems. These biomes represent our planet, and even a slight imbalance can cause havoc. Over the next few weeks, we'll monitor and care for our mini ecosystems - hopefully, they'll last a lifetime!













Chestnuts PSA News

Hello! We can't believe we're in the last term of the year, and what a year it's been! From September 2022, we have organised and run the following:

- 8 Art-led workshops for kids and adults
- Winter week including the Parent Present Room, Secret Elf card delivery, Winter Bake Off and the Winter Fair!
- Halloween Film night
- Chestnuts Quiz
- Barn Dance
- Ice Lolly Friday

Still to come:

- (more) Ice Lolly Friday
- Jumble Trail
- Barn Dance 2023
- Chestival
- Lino printing
- Cartoon Illustration
- Natural Pottery
- Summer Bake Off

All of these incredible events mean we can continue to fund enrichment, educational and fun things for all the children in the school!



None of the events would happen without our incredible community of parents who give up their time to support the PSA. We are always looking for new ideas and still have many volunteer slots available for Chestnuts.

Please see the link on your class Whatsapp group to sign up. chestnutsprimarypsa@gmail.com

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Chestnuts PSA News

NEW TO CHESTIVAL!

We have planned some incredible things planned for this year's Chestival for the kids to get involved in.

Local artist, Ewa, is going to paint a huge, nature-inspired mural in the front playground during Chestival, and the children will be able to pre-book slots to help paint it! A true team effort!

Skateboarding is back! There will be a skateboarding instructor running 30 min workshops throughout the festival.

All slots for both can be pre-booked via Parent pay.





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CHESTNUTS PSA 2023

calendar of EVENTS

ARTISTS RESIDENCY WORKSHOPS!

- Cartoon Illustration Kids 14th & 15th June
- Lino Printing t-shirt & Tote bags Kids 4th, 5th & 6th July
- Natural Pottery Adults & Kids 22nd June

Tickets on Parent Pay

Friday 16th June, 9am, school library

Coffee Morning

Follow the map to find bargains galore!

Chestnuts JUMBLE TRAIL! Saturday 24th June

Non Uniform Day

Friday 30th June

Bring sweets to school to participate - proceeds go towards the tombola at Chestival

14th July, 5pm-8pm

Barn Dance

Tickets on Parent Pay

BAKE OFF COMPETITION

Friday 7th July - drop off at school at 9 am. Prizes to be von! All cakes are to be sold at Chestival.



Saturday 8th July 1pm-5pm

CHESTIVAL!

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Mozart class are doing a sponsored run for their classmate Bibi 🏃 🏃

Friday 16th June, 4pm start.

Please come and cheer them on!

And if you or your friends/family/neighbours/work colleagues can chip in, that'd be great:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/mozart-run4bibi-1685739628482

Lost Prope

Dear Parents and Carers.

We are accumulating a lot of lost property in our school office.

On Monday 12th June and Tuesday 13th June 2023 we will be putting these items out in front of the school office for them to be claimed. Anything remaining at the end of Tuesday will be recycled.

Many thanks