



CHALKWELL HALL INFANTS

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PARENT / TEACHER CONSULTATIONS

Soon after half term, you will be invited to attend a parent/teacher consultation with your child's class teacher. These meetings are a valuable opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their class, the progress they are making and any questions or concerns you may have. Teachers can also share practical ideas and tips to help you support your child's learning and development at home. Each meeting will last 10 minutes. We will do everything we can to make these appointments accessible to all families, including offering a range of times throughout the school day and beyond. We are keen to speak with a parent or carer for every child, as we believe that working in partnership with families is key to helping every child thrive. If the appointment offered to you is not convenient, please let us know so that we can arrange an alternative. By working together and sharing our knowledge of your child, we can ensure that they receive the support and encouragement they need to be the very best they can be.

HALF-TERM HOLIDAY

Can you believe that next week is our last week of school before the half-term break? Please note that it will be a slightly shorter week, with Thursday 22nd October being the children's last day in school.

On Friday, our teachers will be taking part in training focused on our phonics programme, Read Write Inc. This will help ensure that we continue to deliver high-quality phonics lessons and provide the very best support for every child as they develop their reading skills.

We hope you all enjoy a lovely half-term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 2nd November!

This week, our lunchtime play has been filled with music and creativity! The children have had great fun working together to create their own musical compositions, collaborating with friends and getting to know children they might not usually play with. It has been wonderful to see their confidence, creativity and teamwork shine through. As you can see, everyone had a fantastic time!



MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME



MEET OUR YOUNG LEADERS



Our New Eco Team! 🌍

We are very excited to welcome our new Eco Team for this year! These enthusiastic young people have taken on the important role of helping our school become greener, kinder and more environmentally friendly.

As Eco Team members, they will be encouraging everyone to put our school values of RESPECT, ENJOY and CARE into practice as we think about how we can look after our school and our planet. 💚

One of their first jobs will be to visit their classrooms and check that everything is in place to help us become a more eco-friendly school. They will make sure each class has an Eco Book for sharing ideas and messages from our meetings, a recycling bin and a class plant to look after. 🌱

Throughout the year, our Eco Team will also be helping us to save energy by reminding us to switch off lights and computer screens when they are not needed. They will care for their class plants and the planters outside their classrooms. They will also encourage their friends to make the right choices when sorting their food waste and rubbish in the playground. Each class will have a litter picker, which the Eco Team will help to look after and use to keep our playground neat and tidy. ♻️

We will also be returning to Langley Lodge this year to plant seeds with the residents and enjoy some special time together. 🌱

We are incredibly proud of our Eco Team for taking on this responsibility and cannot wait to see the positive changes they help to make across our school.

☀️ Small actions can make a big difference! ☀️

THANK
YOU
😊

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair! Together, you helped us raise an amazing £547.68. This fantastic total will help us purchase new books to refresh our class libraries and enrich our curriculum. We are so grateful for your continued support in helping us nurture a love of reading in our children!



BIKES AND SCOOTERS

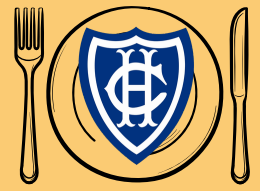
Please remember to take your child's bike or scooter home at the end of each school day. We have noticed that a number are being left in the bike and scooter shed overnight and at weekends. Unfortunately, this is attracting people onto the school site outside school hours, and some bikes and scooters have been stolen.

Thank you for your help in keeping our school site safe and your children's belongings secure.





AUTUMN WEEK 2



MONDAY

VEGETARIAN COTTAGE PIE (VE)

OR

PESTO STYLE PASTA (WHEAT)

WITH

OVEN ROASTED TOMATOES AND SWEETCORN

WHOLEMEAL CARROT CAKE (WHEAT, EGG)
AND CUSTARD (MILK)

TUESDAY

CORNISH STYLE VEGETABLE PASTY (VE) (WHEAT)

OR

PIRI PIRI STYLE CHICKEN FILLET

WITH

GARLIC & HERB ROASTED POTATOES
AND SAVOY CABBAGE & CARROTS

APPLE & CINNAMON FLAPJACK (WHEAT, OATS)

WEDNESDAY

CHANA CHICKEN

OR

VEGETABLE BALTI (VE)

WITH

LEMON RICE, BOMBAY POTATO SALAD,
TOMATO & CORIANDER CHUTNEY,
NAAN STYLE BREAD (WHEAT, MILK, SOYBEANS)
AND
BROCCOLI & ROASTED BUTTERNUT SQUASH

INDIAN TEA SHOP STYLE BISCUIT (WHEAT)

THURSDAY

PIZZA MARGHERITA (WHEAT, MILK)

OR

BBQ STYLE BEEF PIZZA (WHEAT, MILK, SULPHITES)

WITH

SWEET PEPPER PASTA (WHEAT)

AND

SWEETCORN & OVEN ROASTED COURGETTES

BERRY SWIRL SPONGE (WHEAT, EGG, MILK)
AND CUSTARD (MILK)

FRIDAY



AVAILABLE DAILY WE HAVE:

WRAPS WITH A SELECTION OF FILLINGS (WHEAT, DAIRY)

JACKET POTATO WITH A SELECTION OF FILLINGS

A COLD SALAD BAR

FRESHLY MADE BREAD

FRESH FRUIT

WATER AND MILK

WE WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVES
FOR CHILDREN WITH ALLERGIES



NEXT WEEK'S LEARNING

This page of our Newsletter summarises some the learning your child will access next week. For more detailed information on our curriculum please visit our [website](#).

Nursery

Stories: Pick A Pumpkin, Pumpkin Soup, The Pumpkin Hunt

Number songs/Stories: 5 Little Pumpkins, 5 red apples

Other Areas: Next week the Nursery will be exploring all things pumpkin! During circle time we will use exciting words to describe pumpkins. We will continue to play our circle time memory game. On the maths table we will be comparing the size of pumpkins then ordering them from biggest to smallest. At the art table we will be designing patterns on pumpkins. In the messy tray we will cut open and explore a range of autumnal vegetables including pumpkins and squash. We will continue to explore autumnal objects in the mud kitchen in our garden.

Reception

Phonics: g, o, c, k

Maths: We will use stories and rhymes to help us to learn about prepositional language next week. We will focus on up, down, on, under, in, behind, between and in front.

Other Areas: Next week, we will be consolidating our learning about Autumn. We will enjoy an Autumn walk at the park, looking for signs of the season and noticing how the environment is changing around us. In Drawing Club, our story will be We're Going on a Bear Hunt. The children will use their imaginations to create their own exciting bear-hunt adventures through drawing.

We will also revisit our REACH values (Respect, Enjoy, Achieve, Care and Healthy), thinking about how we can demonstrate these values in our everyday lives at school.

In Art, we will explore the technique of printmaking, using everyday objects such as forks, leaves, fruit and vegetables to experiment with different patterns, shapes and textures. We are looking forward to seeing the wonderful artwork the children create!



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Year 1

Phonics: ur (turn), er (letter), ow (cow)

Maths: Read, write and order the numbers to 100

Foundation subjects: In Science, we will be finding out what 'waterproof' means and carrying out a simple investigation to discover which materials have this property. In our Computing lesson we will be using 2Go to move a character around the screen using directional keys and in Art we will use pencils and black crayon to create our own 'Senacio' inspired artwork. In our next Music lesson we will be using the notes C and D on the glockenspiel to accompany a piece of music. In our last Gymnastics lesson (e will be moving onto Dance after half term), we will be exploring different types on jumps and adding them to a short sequence of movement and balances. In our PSHE lesson we will be learning about the importance of permission and consent through the use of scenarios and stories. This half term has really flown by - proof that time really does fly when you are having fun!

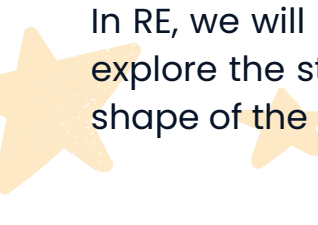
Year 2

Phonics/GPS: Revisit wh (whisk) kn (knock) e (she)

Maths: Assessment: Place Value (understanding the value of tens and ones)

Foundation subjects: In Computing, we will be learning about online relationships and understanding who we should ask before sharing information or pictures about ourselves and others online. In DT, we are excited to put our chopping, grating and peeling skills to the test as we make our own healthy couscous salads, following the designs we have created. In History, we will be exploring the significance of people from the past and their contributions to the wider world. We will be recording our learning about Nelson Mandela and his impact on South Africa. In Music, we will be using the glockenspiel to accompany South African music, practising the notes G, A, G and C, and exploring both high and low C. In PSHE, we will be thinking about change, exploring the different changes we may experience in our lives and how these can affect our feelings.

In RE, we will be learning about religious buildings, symbols and artefacts. We will explore the story of Noah's Ark and discover how the shape of the ark links to the shape of the nave in many churches.



Stars of the week

NURSERY

Bobby

**NORTHERN
IRELAND**

Jasper Stewart

WALES

**Henry
Brannen-Levett**

SCOTLAND

Maya Viegas

SPAIN

Bella Whitehead

MEXICO

Kaira Krithika

SWEDEN

**Lucy
Bates-Nicholls**

FINLAND

Eva

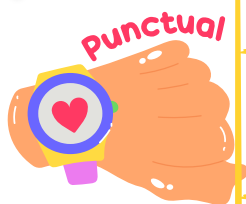
VIETNAM

Yasmin Arweelah

BAHAMAS

Elijah Pilkington

**Right
on time**



Stevie Williams	Hannah Briggs	Rome Niclot
Rafe Harding	Milly Ouedraogo	Freddie Dolan
Murphy	Leila Edwards	Cian Nolan

WINNER



Be kind, be good,
shine brightly!

ATTENDANCE
This week - 98.10%

Reception - 97.80%

Year 1 - 97.30%

Year 2 - 99.20%

Whole School Year To Date - 97.90%



REACH Award

Respect

Florence Dyson



WHAT'S GOING ON?

New additions will be in red
School holidays will be in bold

Mon 19 Oct	9.30 and 10.45 New intake (Reception 2027) tours (full)
Thu 22 Oct	Reception Autumn walk to Chalkwell Park
Thu 22 Oct	Break up for half term
Fri 23 Oct	Non-pupil day (closed to all pupils)
Mon 2 Nov	Back to school for all pupils
Mon 2 Nov	Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations
Mon 2 Nov	Poppy sales in the EYFS garden at 3pm all week
Thur 5 Nov	9.30 and 10.45 New intake (Reception 2027) tours (full)
Mon 9 Nov	Year 2 - visit from the dentist
Tues 10 Nov	9.30 and 10.45 New intake (Reception 2027) tours
Fri 13 Nov	Children in Need (more info to follow)
Mon 16 Nov	Odd socks for Anti-Bullying (more info to follow)
Wed 18 Nov	9.30 and 10.45 New intake (Reception 2027) tours (full)
Wed 18 Nov	6.30pm Prospective Parents Information Evening
Fri 20 Nov	Year 2 City Boys Football Tournament
Fri 27 Nov	PTA Non-Uniform day in exchange for booze / chocolates
Sat 28 Nov	PTA Winter Fayre
Tue 1 Dec	Santa visiting
Wed 2 Dec	Christams Bazaar
Mon 7 Dec	Year 1 visit to Chalkwell Park
Tue 8 Dec	9.10am Class Wales Nativity
Wed 9 Dec	9.10am Class Scotland Nativity
Thu 10 Dec	9.10am Class Northern Ireland Nativity
Thu 10 Dec	Choir to perform at Langley Lodge
Fri 11 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day (fundraising for Brain Tumour charity)
Tue 15 Dec	9.30am KS1 Nativity at St. Michael and All Angels
Wed 16 Dec	9.30am KS1 Nativity at St. Michael and All Angels
Thu 17 Dec	KS1 visiting Palace theatre The Nutcracker (more info to follow)
Fri 18 Dec	Break up for Christmas holiday
Mon 4 Jan	Back to school for all pupils
Thu 11 Feb	Break up for half term
Fri 12 Feb	Non-pupil day (school closed for all pupils)
Thu 25 Mar	Break up for Easter holidays
Mon 12 Apr	Back to school for all pupils
Thu 27 May	Break up for half term
Fri 28 May	Non-pupil day (school closed for all pupils)
Mon 7 Jun	Back to school for all pupils
Wed 21 Jul	Break up for Summer holidays



CONTACT US

If you have a question, query or concern, please get in touch with someone from the list below. Please do not email class teachers directly, they should be contacted via the communication book or by calling the school office. Teachers may be available to chat to at the end of the school day.



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