



CHALKWELL HALL INFANTS

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HOUSE CAPTAINS 2025 – REACHING FOR THE STARS



I am delighted to introduce this year's proud House Captains. They play an important role in helping us all to live by our REACH values: Respect, Enjoy, Achieve, Care, and be Healthy.

A key part of their role is to be positive role models for everyone, showing us all how to REACH for the stars. During our celebration assembly each Friday, they sit proudly at the front, demonstrating our expectations and announcing the total house points for their team, so we can cheer on the weekly winners together!

Congratulations to our new House Captains, I have no doubt that they will do a wonderful job this year.



DID YOU KNOW?

REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Every day at school counts! Missing lessons, stories, and playtime can affect your child's learning and confidence.

- 1 day missed every 2 weeks adds up to nearly 4 weeks a year.
- Children who attend regularly are more confident, make strong friendships, and achieve better in their learning.

By being in school every day (unless unwell), your child gets the best start in learning and life.

GOOD ATTENDANCE = GOOD LEARNING!

CONGRATULATIONS TO CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Last Friday, our Year 2 Cross Country team represented the school brilliantly at the Borough Cross Country Competition at Garon Park. Despite the cold, blustery conditions and challenging terrain, every child gave their very best and showed fantastic resilience.

We were thrilled to have 2 runners finish in the top 10, another 2 close behind, and all of our remaining runners placed within the top 65 out of more than 100 competitors. Even more impressively, out of 20 schools taking part, Team Chalkwell came 2nd overall; an amazing achievement!

We are so proud of every member of the team; well done, Team Chalkwell!



NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE – APPLY NOW FOR JANUARY

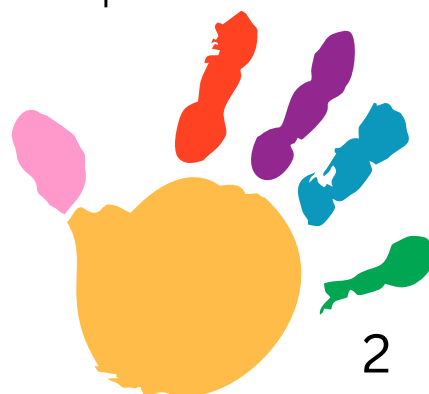
Next week we will be allocating our Nursery places for January. Thanks to our recent expansion, we are delighted to be able to offer even more spaces for 3–4 year olds. To register your child for a place, please complete our short [admission form](#), this will add them to our Nursery waiting list. Places are allocated from the list as they become available.

Families can choose from the following sessions:

- 5 mornings per week
- 5 afternoons per week
- 5 full days per week, including lunch club

Our Nursery opens at 8:30am, with afternoon sessions finishing at 3:30pm. For families who need a longer day, we also run a Teatime Club (Monday to Thursday) until 5:30pm.

For more information about our Nursery provision and to complete the admission form, please visit our school [website](#).





Platinum Award 2024 - 2026

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS!

We have received some fantastic donations this week, including chalk, stencils, cars, Playmobil, dinosaurs, and more! We've also received several much-needed items from our Amazon wish list – a sincere thank you for thinking of us and for your generosity.

As the weather turns colder and wetter, we will be offering some indoor craft activities in the cabin (the wooden building on the playground) to keep the children busy and creative.

Our role play zones remain hugely popular with children of all ages. We have a wide variety of setups, from hairdressers to vets, hospitals, shops, schools, and more.

Occasionally, you'll see items on our wish list to help us refresh and top up these zones. For electrical donations, we always remove wires and plugs so that the items are safe for children to play with.

As ever, your donations are gratefully received and help make our children's lunchtimes fun, varied, and exciting! [Here is our Amazon Wish list.](#)

WISH LIST

BLANKETS / CUSHIONS

HAIR TONGS

HAIR DYERS

HAIR STRAIGHTENERS

HAIR CLIPPERS

SCOOTERS

BALL PIT BALLS

Thank you





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rosemary, eucalyptus, bay
leaf, berries, pine cones, dried
fruit, cinnamon sticks & ribbon**

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your own beautiful wreath in the
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

AUTUMN TERM 2025



SEPT
26

CHRISTMAS WREATH KITS
COLLECTION FROM 28TH NOVEMBER AT SCHOOL



OCT
3

AGM
10.30-11AM, JUNIOR SCHOOL



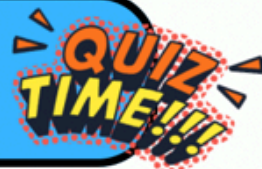
OCT
3

LUNCHTIME GET TOGETHER
12.30-2.30PM / THAMESBREEZE, LEIGH ROAD

cheers!

OCT
17

QUIZ NIGHT
7.30PM, SCHOOL DINING HALL



OCT
20

FUND-RAISIN
RETURN BY FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER



NOV
28

NON-UNIFORM DONATION DAY
DONATE WINE & CHOCOLATE FOR OUR TOMBOLAS



NOV
29

CHRISTMAS WINTER WONDERLAND FAYRE
OPEN FROM 12PM (11.30AM FOR OUR SEN FAMILIES)



DEC
3RD

JUNIOR CHRISTMAS BAZAAR / INFANT SANTA'S GROTTTO
DURING THE SCHOOL DAY



DEC
4

INFANT CHRISTMAS BAZAAR / JUNIOR SANTA'S GROTTTO
DURING THE SCHOOL DAY



DATES/TIMES CORRECT AT THE TIME OF PRINTING

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CHALKWELL HALL SCHOOLS PTA



QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER
7.30PM



**MAX 8
PEOPLE PER
TABLE**

**'NO TEAM,
NO PROBLEM'**

**TEAMS CAN
BE MADE ON
THE NIGHT**



**£5
PER
PERSON**

**BYOB
&
SNACKS**



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HERE TO
BUY YOUR
TICKET**

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PRIZE
FOR THE
RAFFLE
TABLE**

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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: We're going on a Leaf Hunt, The seasons book

Number songs/Stories: 5 little speckled Frogs, what's hiding 1,2,3

Other Areas: Next week in Nursery, our learning will be inspired by the season of Autumn. Children will have the chance to explore a variety of natural autumn objects in our sensory trays and go on a garden walk to look for signs of seasonal change. We will get creative with autumnal colours to make our own artwork and have a go at leaf printing too. Our songs and stories will also be linked to the theme of Autumn, helping to bring the season to life.

In maths, we will continue to practise our counting skills, with a particular focus on using one number name for each object counted to build accuracy and confidence.

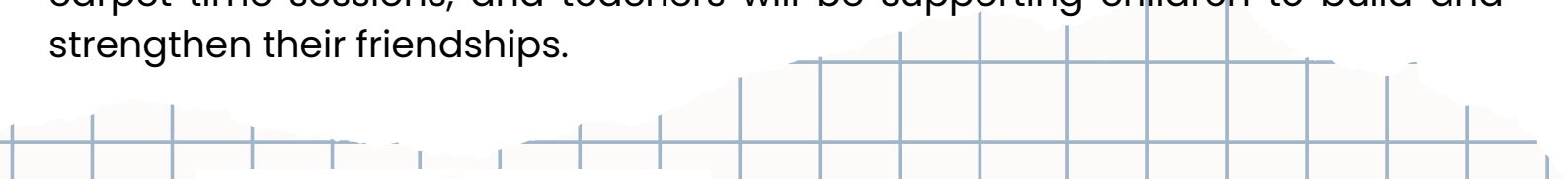
Phonics: Our focus next week in phonics is rhyme. Children will learn to match rhyming words and continue a rhyming string

Maths: Next week the children will be encouraged to quantify sets of 1, 2 and 3 objects by subitising, rather than counting. When subitising, children can say how many there are in a small group of objects by 'just seeing' and knowing straightaway without needing to count.

Other Areas: Next week in Reception, our learning will focus on our school REACH value of Respect.

We will be talking about how we can show respect through using good manners, and we'll explore this idea through stories, puppets, and role play.

We will also be sharing the story Cave Baby to help us continue developing our vocabulary. Alongside this, there will be lots of fun activities linked to our carpet time sessions, and teachers will be supporting children to build and strengthen their friendships.



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Year

1

Phonics: ck (clock), e-e (theme)

Maths: Systematically counting and representing the amount as digits and in tens frames and introducing the rekenrek

Foundation subjects: In Science, we will be using everyday language to describe the properties of objects, such as hard, soft, bendy, rigid, smooth, and spiky. In Design and Technology, we will explore different ways of shaping paper, including folding, tearing, and cutting. In History, we will be recalling and sequencing the key events of The Gunpowder Plot. In Computing, we will learn how to combine text and images using a computer program, while also practising our typing skills. In RE, we will be exploring creation stories from the Islamic faith alongside the scientific explanation of the Big Bang. In PSHE, we will be discussing what makes a family, recognising that families can look different, and representing our own families using a variety of resources. Finally, in our Music lessons, we will be exploring the concept of pitch, as well as rehearsing our Harvest songs in preparation for the Harvest Festival performance.

Year

2

Phonics/GPS: adding the suffix -ing to continuous verbs covering all the spelling pattern rules

Maths: Addition of two 2-digit numbers with renaming (crossing the 10) e.g 15+18

Foundation subjects: This week, In DT, we'll be investigating where our food comes from and how it is grown. We will be handling, smelling and tasting a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, including carrots, peppers, tomatoes and celery before choosing what to include in our own salad creations later on. In Computing our focus is on learning how to search the internet safely and effectively, using Kiddle, a child-friendly search engine. In History, we'll be finding out more about Nelson Mandela and the concept of apartheid. The children will use different sources of information—including videos, photos, music and stories to deepen their understanding. Meanwhile, in Tag Rugby, we'll continue to build on our understanding of how to score, while developing tactics for tagging—and avoiding being tagged! Our PSHE discussions will centre on the idea that everyone experiences 'big' feelings from time to time, and we'll explore positive ways to manage and respond to them. In RE we'll be learning about how Christians celebrate special times through the Harvest Festival. The children are especially looking forward to performing their poetry in church, which they've been practising with great enthusiasm in class!

AUTUMN WEEK 2

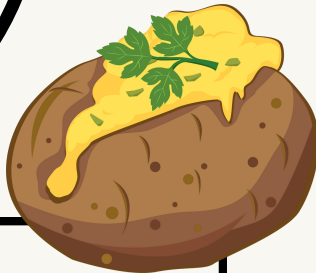
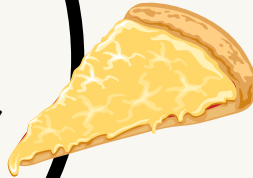
WE WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR CHILDREN WITH ALLERGIES

THIS MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WACKY WEDGE MONDAY

HOMEMADE CHEESE AND
TOMATO PIZZA / VEGE PIZZA
(MK) (G) 9V) (ON A
WHOLEMAEL BASE AND
HIDDEN VEG)

WITH
OVEN BAKED POTATO WEDGES (VG),
AND MIXED VEGETABLE MEDLEY:
GREEN BEANS/SWEETCORN/
CARROTS/PEAS (VG)



TWIRLY PASTA TUESDAY

TRICOLOUR PASTA
TWIRLS (G) (VG) WITH
HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE
(WITH HIDDEN VEG) (CY)

AND GRATED CHEESE (MK),
GARLIC BREAD (G) (MAY CONTAIN MK)
AND
CARROTS AND GREEN BEANS
(VG)



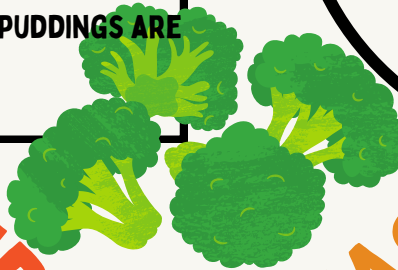
REACH FOR A ROAST WEDNESDAY

PORK SAUSAGE TOAD IN THE
HOLE (G) (MK) (E) (S)

OR

MEAT FREE SAUSAGE TOAD IN
THE HOLE (G) (MK) (E) (S) (V)

WITH OVEN ROASTED POTATOES (VG) (G),
BROCCOLI (VG),
CARROTS (VG)
AND GRAVY (VG)



FIREY FEAST FRIDAY

HOMEMADE BEEF CHILLI
(WITH HIDDEN VEG)
OR VEGGIE CHILLI (SOYB) (VE)
WITH
STEAMED RICE AND GRATED
CHEESE (MK) (V)
AND
CARROTS AND BROCCOLI
(VG)



FINTASTIC THURSDAY

OVEN BAKED
FISH FINGERS (G) (F)

OR

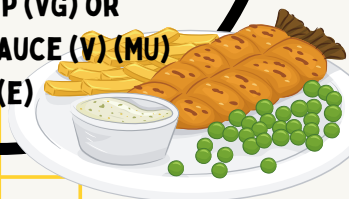
OVEN BAKED VEGE FINGERS (G) (VG)

WITH CHIPS (VG),
PEAS AND SWEETCORN (VG)

AND

KETCHUP (VG) OR
TARTARE SAUCE (V) (MU)

(E)



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON
ALLERGENS PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

Stars of the week

NURSERY
George Mardon



NORTHERN IRELAND

Lottie Walsh

WALES

Mille Dolman

SCOTLAND

James Hodges

SPAIN

Esmae-Rose Wayman

MEXICO

Skyler Bondzie

SOUTH AFRICA

Lola Dooley

FINLAND

Ruby Wolfenden

VIETNAM

Sofia Balan

BAHAMAS

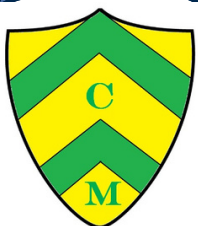
Mowgli-Mae Spivey

Right on time

punctual



Frankie	Cian Nolan	Codie Ford
Savannah Mitchell	Syon Selvarajah	Remi Powell
Theo Dahman	Albert Valentine	Dylan Murphy



Together, we can do great things.

ATTENDANCE

This week - 97.53 %

EYFS - 98.22%

Year 1 - 98.22%

Year 2 - 96.89%

Whole School Year To Date - 96.89%



REACH Award

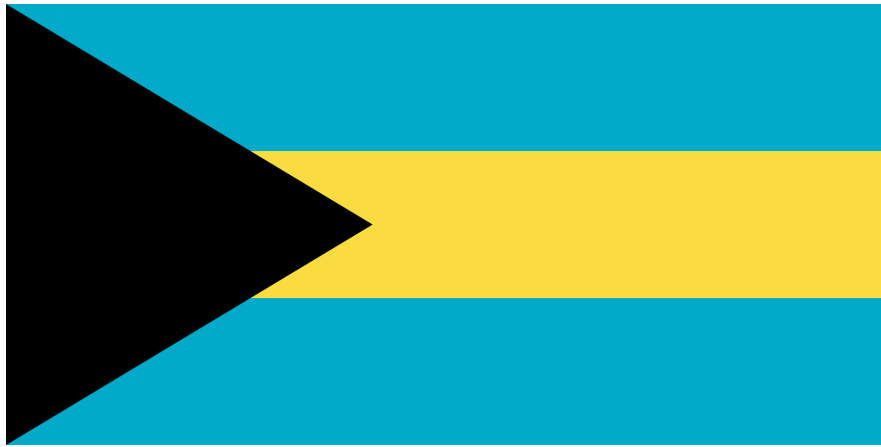
Care

Kylah Myles-Moore



Attendance Matters

Attendance class of The Month for September.....



CLASS BAHAMAS WITH AN AMAZING 98.75% - WELL DONE!!

**WOW - BAHAMAS
YOU WIN A STICKER EACH,
AN EXTRA PLAY ON THE PIRATE SHIP AND
CHALKY OUR ATTENDANCE BEAR
WILL LIVE IN YOUR CLASS
DURING OCTOBER**



well done

WHAT'S GOING ON? *New additions will be in red*

Tue 7 Oct	9.30 and 10.45 Reception 2026 Intake tour
Weds 8 Oct	Individual Photos
Mon 13 Oct	9.30 and 10.45 Reception 2026 Intake tour
Wed 15 Oct	Reception Autumn walk - Chalkwell Park
Thu 16 Oct	Year 1 and Year 2 Harvest Festival at St.Michael's Church
Fri 17 Oct	9.30 Reception 2026 Intake tour - SEND with SENCo
Wed 22 Oct	9.30 and 10.45 Reception 2026 Intake tour
Fri 24 Oct	Last day at school - Oct half term
Mon 3 Nov	Back to school
Fri 21 Nov	Boys football tournament (girls tournament date tbc)
Fri 19 Dec	Last day at school - Christmas holidays
Mon 5 Jan	Back to school
Thu 12 Feb	Last day at school - Feb half term
Fri 13 Feb	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)
Mon 23 Feb	Back to school
Fri 27 Mar	Last day at school - Easter holidays
Mon 13 Apr	Back to school
Mon 4 May	Bank holiday (school closed)
Thu 21 May	Last day at school - May half term
Fri 22 May	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)
Mon 1 Jun	Back to school
Fri 17 Jul	Last day at school - Summer holidays
Mon 20 Jul	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

GOLD GEESE DONATIONS

Thank you for your generous donations to Gold Geese last week. We raised a fantastic total of £260.63 in cash donations. This support will be gratefully received by the charity and will help to make a real difference to children and families within our community.

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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