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ANOTHER FULL AND ENJOYABLE WEEK HAS FLOWN BY AT SCHOOL!

Our Year 2 swimming programme has now come to an end as we hand the pool over to the Junior School. It has been wonderful to see the progress the children have made in just two weeks. Their confidence, determination and enthusiasm have been fantastic, and we are incredibly proud of every one of them. We would also like to extend our thanks to the swimming instructors from Mobile Pools UK, whose expertise, encouragement and support have helped the children achieve so much in such a short space of time. And a huge thanks to our team of parent volunteers who have given us so much of their time!

This week, our Year 1 children have also completed the Phonics Screening Check. We have been thoroughly impressed by their ability to decode and read both real and 'alien' words, demonstrating the excellent phonics skills they have developed. Your child's score will be included in their end-of-year report.

On Tuesday, our Year 2 children spent the day at Chalkwell Hall Junior School, enjoying a taste of what it will be like to be part of the Junior School community. They had the opportunity to explore the school, find out where everything is and meet some of the staff who will be supporting them next year.

The children completed their learning in a Year 3 classroom alongside their current Year 2 teacher, helping them to experience the next stage of their school journey in a familiar and reassuring way. Everyone had a fantastic day and returned excited about the move to Year 3.

Transition can be a big step for children, and this experience has certainly helped to build their confidence and enthusiasm for September. We are delighted to see how ready they are for the next chapter of their education

On Wednesday, we were delighted to welcome children's author Helen Rose to school. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about what it is like to be an author, taking part in fun storytelling activities and listening to an exclusive sneak preview of Helen's debut picture book, *The Supersonic Fart!*

The book is currently available to pre-order ahead of its July release and is illustrated by Garry Parsons, the bestselling illustrator of *The Dinosaur That Pooped* series. If you would like to order a copy, please scan the QR code below, which will take you directly to the book.

The children had a fantastic time and were a wonderful audience throughout the visit, they made Helen – and Luna the dog – feel very welcome. We are always grateful for opportunities to inspire a love of reading and storytelling, and this was certainly a memorable visit for all involved!



Pre-Order now – for a July delivery

CLASS SCOTLAND SHINE IN THEIR ASSEMBLY

This week, we enjoyed the first of our three Reception class assemblies, and what a wonderful start it was! Class Scotland did an outstanding job, confidently sharing their learning with a packed audience of family members and friends.

The children took us through a typical day in the life of a Reception child, showcasing the many skills, experiences and achievements that have shaped their first year at school. It was a joy to see their confidence shine through and a reminder of just how much they have grown and developed since joining us in September.

We were incredibly proud of every child who took part. They spoke, sang and performed beautifully, and it is clear that they are more than ready for the exciting challenges and opportunities that await them in Year 1.

JOIN US AT THE SUMMER FETE - SUNDAY 14TH JUNE 12.00 - 4.00

On Thursday, we were absolutely amazed by your generosity. Thanks to your fantastic donations, our Chocolate and Wine Tombolas are going to be packed with prizes, and we are incredibly grateful for your support.

Now we have one final request: please come along and join us this Sunday for what promises to be a fantastic Summer Fete! The PTA and our volunteers have worked so hard to create a fun-filled afternoon for the whole family, and there really is something for everyone.

Children can enjoy animal encounters, pony cycles, inflatables, face painting, games and gift stalls, while adults can browse the raffle, visit the Pimms tent and bar, and try their luck on the chocolate and wine tombolas. There will also be a BBQ, an ice cream van and plenty of refreshments to keep everyone fuelled throughout the afternoon. Our school choir will be performing at 1.00pm, and we would love to see a big crowd cheering them on. With the weather forecast looking bright and sunny, it is the perfect opportunity to get together with friends, spend time with our wonderful school community and enjoy one of the highlights of the school year.

CHALKWELL HALL INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOLS PTA

SUMMER FETE

**SUNDAY 14TH JUNE
12 - 4PM**

(OPEN FROM 11.30AM FOR OUR SEN FAMILIES ONLY)

- ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS** (PRE-BOOK ONLINE IN ADVANCE TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT)
- PONY CYCLES** (COURTESY OF LITTLE RIDERS)
- INFLATABLES** (COURTESY OF ELLIS LEISURE)
- RAFFLE**
- FACE PAINTING**
- PIMMS TENT & BAR**
- BBQ**
- WINE & CHOCOLATE TOMBOLAS**
- GAMES STALLS**
- GIFT STALLS**
- ICE CREAM VAN**
- ... AND LOTS MORE!!!**

EVERYONE WELCOME!

A huge thank you to our PTA and all of the volunteers who have given up their time to make this event possible. We hope to see you there on Sunday between 12.00pm and 4.00pm for what is sure to be a fantastic afternoon of fun, food and community spirit.

Stars of the week

NURSERY
Oliver Daly



NORTHERN IRELAND

Faiman Ahmed

WALES

Finlay Pitt Kramer

SCOTLAND

Cora K

SPAIN

Alayna Ali

MEXICO

Callum Holmes

SOUTH AFRICA

Margot Guy

FINLAND

Ottillie Butcher

VIETNAM

Jamal
Disu- Olumegbon

BAHAMAS

Robyn Hogg

Right on time

punctual



Lena Ojo	Grace Williams	Sofia Balan
Willow Walker	Marnie Cornwell-Choi	Aayaz Ali
Tilly McRavey	Joy Todd	Harniha Pirakalath



To dare is to do!

ATTENDANCE

This week - 97.60%

EYFS - 96.89%

Year 1 - 98.00%

Year 2 - 96.97%

Whole School Year To Date - 96.10%



REACH Award

Achieve

Bobbie Goddard





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: Spot goes to the Circus, Monty's magician
Number songs/Stories: 10 in the bed, This old man

Other Areas: Next week, our theme is "Circus". We will share stories about the circus and use our imaginations as we pretend our role play corner is a circus tent. We will have the opportunity to get creative with clown masks, making circus tents and painting circus pictures.

★ Shooting Stars Class

In shooting stars next week, we will work on using words to express our wants, needs and emotions. We will continue to develop our listening and attention skills in order to listen to stories in a group and take part in bucket time. In maths, we will continue to practise showing finger numbers to 5.

🚀 Rockets Class

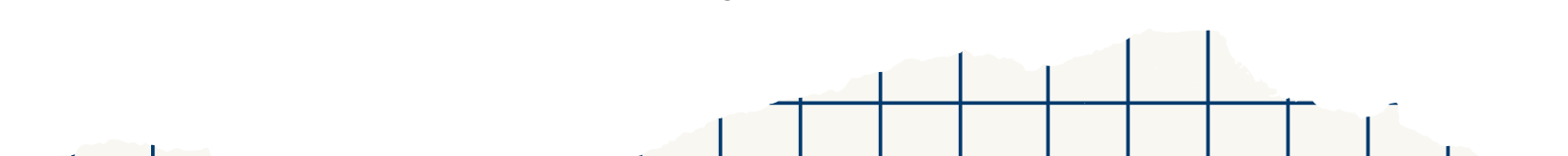
Next week in Rockets, we will use circle time to talk about ways we are the same and different to our friends. We will also develop our communication and language and fine motor skills during story dough, where we will create our own clown faces. In Maths, we will think about shapes and will practise naming simple 2d shapes.

Reception

Phonics: Children will use their phonic knowledge to read the purple books 'Hens' and 'Big Blob and Baby Blob'

Maths: In maths next week, our focus will be on the composition of numbers 5-10. We will make numbers to 10 using tens frames, rekenreks, our fingers and dice patterns.

Other Areas: It's a busy week in Reception next week! We will be learning about "Clean air day" and exploring what we can do to keep the air clean. We will also explore how we can REACH for the stars and show our school values during sports day. On Thursday, it will be time to put this into practice as we head to the park to take part in some exciting sports day events. Our drawing club story next week is "Where the wild things are" and throughout the week we will be showing off our fantastic writing skills linked to the story. There will also be the opportunity to get creative as we make our own wild things!





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Phonics: Revisiting previously taught special friends and sounds

Maths: Money - recognising and ordering coins and notes, investigating volume and capacity

Foundation subjects: In Science, we will be making predictions for our celery experiment before setting it up, making observations over time, and recording our results to help us draw a conclusion. Computing will see us continuing to explore spreadsheets, including learning how to lock and move cells in the program 2Calculate. In Geography, we will be using tourist information leaflets to identify key human and physical features in Southend that tourists and visitors might enjoy seeing and experiencing. Our Art lessons will involve adding the next layer of detail to our shared seascape artwork, using white paint to represent clouds and crashing waves. In RE, we will be recalling what we already know about Muslims and how they belong, while in PSHE we will be learning about age restrictions and why they are in place. We are also very much looking forward to Sports Day and hope you can come along to cheer us on!


Year

2

Phonics/GPS: Grammar, punctuation and spelling practice and revision

Maths: Revision: Subtraction

Foundation subjects: In Science, we are excited to bring our learning to life by exploring microhabitats in our local area and taking part in outdoor learning activities on our trip to Belfairs Woods. In Computing, we have been creating our own e-books, combining text and images before enhancing them with animation and sound effects to make them even more engaging. In History, we will be investigating similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods. We will explore questions such as: How has entertainment changed over time? How have food and clothing evolved? We will record our ideas and findings as we develop our historical understanding. In RE, we will be exploring the concept of kindness, focusing on the Golden Rule: treating others as we would like to be treated ourselves. As part of our My Future, My Southend programme, our new topic is, 'It's Coming Home'. Through this, we will learn about individuals who have built successful careers through international sporting competitions, including football, tennis and the Olympic Games. Finally, we are looking forward to Sports Day, where everyone will have the opportunity to showcase their athletic skills, teamwork and determination.



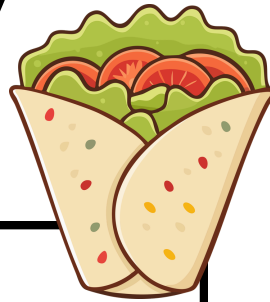
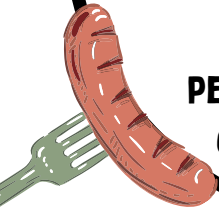
MENU - WEEK 1

WE WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR CHILDREN WITH ALLERGIES

THIS MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WACKY WEDGE MONDAY

OVEN BAKED PORK SAUSAGE
(S)
OR OVEN BAKED MEAT FREE
SAUSAGE (G) (VG)
WITH
OVEN BAKED POTATO WEDGES (VG),
AND A CHOICE OF
PEAS (VG), BROCCOLI (VG)
OR BAKED BEANS (VG)



TWIRLY PASTA TUESDAY

HOMEMADE
MACARONI CHEESE
(WITH HIDDEN VEG) (G) (MK)
WITH
GARLIC BREAD (G) (VG)
AND PEAS & CARROTS (VG)

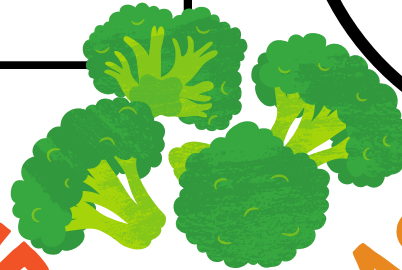


WEDNESDAY FAVOURITES

SWEET AND SOUR CHICKEN
(WITH HIDDEN VEG)
OR VEGE SWEET AND SOUR
WITH
STEAMED RICE AND
GREEN BEANS
(VG)

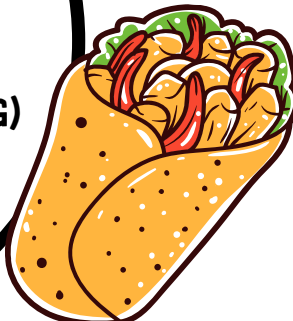
AVAILABLE DAILY WE HAVE:
TORTILLA WRAP WITH A SELECTION OF FILLINGS INCLUDING:
HAM, TUNA (F), HOUMOUS (SS), CHEESE (MK),
VEGAN CHEESE (VG), EGG (E), MAYO (E) (MU)

A COLD SALAD BAR
SWEETCORN, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CARROT, LETTUCE
WATER AND MILK / A SELECTION OF DESSERTS / A FRUIT BOWL
(ALTERNATIVE PUDDINGS ARE AVAILABLE OCCASSIONALLY)



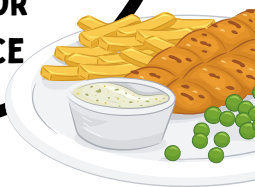
FIREY FEAST FRIDAY

CHICKEN OR
QUORN (VG) (G)
FAJITAS
(WITH HIDDEN VEG)
SERVED WITH TORTILLA WRAP (G)
AND MIXED PEPPERS (VG)



FINTASTIC THURSDAY

OVEN BAKED
FISH FINGERS (G) (F)
OR
OVEN BAKED VEGE FINGERS (G) (VG)
WITH CHIPS (VG),
AND SWEETCORN (VG)
AND
KETCHUP (VG) OR
TARTARE SAUCE
(V) (E) (MU)



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

Sun 14 Jun	Summer Fete - Choir performance 1pm
Mon 15 Jun	Year 2 visit to Belfairs Woods
Tue 16 Jun	6.30 New Intake Parent meeting (Reception 2026)
Wed 17 Jun	9.30 Year 1 Sports Day at Chalkwell Park
Wed 17 Jun	12.45 Year 2 Sports Day at Chalkwell Park
Thu 18 Jun	12.30 Reception Sports Day at Chalkwell Park
Fri 19 Jun	9.00 Celebration assembly - class Mexico
Thu 25 Jun	9:15 Northern Ireland Class Assembly
Wed 1 Jul	9:15 Wales Class Assembly
Wed 1 Jul	Reception and Year 1 children to meet their new teacher
Fri 3 Jul	Year 2 children to meet their new teacher
Tue 7 Jul	KS1 Borough Sports at Garons Park (invited children only)
Wed 8 Jul	9.30 Year 2 End of Year show
Wed 8 Jul	Reception Summer Walk - Chalkwell Park
Wed 8 Jul	3pm - 4pm Open classroom
Thu 9 Jul	9.30 Year 2 End of Year show
Wed 15 Jul	1.15 Year 2 Rounders at Chalkwell Park (more info to follow)
Thu 16 Jul	Year 2 Leavers party afternoon
Fri 17 Jul	Last day at school - Summer holidays
Mon 20 Jul	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)
Tue 1 Sep	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)
Wed 2 Sep	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)
Thu 3 Sep	First day for Year 1 and Year 2
Tue 15 Sep	Reception children start full time
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
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 Mar	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

What's new?





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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