



CHALKWELL HALL INFANTS

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CELEBRATING SUCCESS

It's been another hot and sticky week, but that certainly hasn't stopped us from learning, achieving and having fun! Our Reception children enjoyed their final seasonal walk of the school year, exploring Chalkwell Park and spotting all the signs that summer has truly arrived. It was a beautiful morning, and children, staff and our wonderful volunteers spent quality time together enjoying nature and reflecting on how the seasons have changed throughout the year. It was a lovely way to bring this year's seasonal learning to a close.

Our Nursery children also enjoyed a very special grown-up Sports Day on the big playground this week. They took part in a variety of races, showing great enthusiasm, confidence and determination as they celebrated their achievements. It was wonderful to see them enjoying the experience and creating such special memories together.

This week, our Year 2 children well and truly brought the house down with their fantastic performances of Plastic Pirates. Every single child shone, and I couldn't have been prouder of the confidence, enthusiasm and talent they displayed. Whether acting, singing, playing a musical instrument or dancing, each child made an important contribution to a truly memorable performance.

What made me even prouder, however, were the quieter moments behind the scenes: the kind gestures, the words of encouragement, the friendships that have flourished and the way the children supported one another throughout the production. These are the qualities that matter most. They show that our children are not only developing academically but are growing into respectful, caring and compassionate young people who enjoy learning, working together and celebrating each other's successes.

We will certainly miss this wonderful bunch when they leave us, but we know they are more than ready for the next stage of their journey. We are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved and have every confidence that they will continue to flourish as they embark on their exciting new adventures together at Chalkwell Hall Juniors.



CELEBRATING THE END OF THE YEAR - OPEN CLASSROOM SUCCESS

It was wonderful to see our school filled with parents and children on Wednesday afternoon. Thank you to everyone who joined us for the opportunity to step inside, explore the school site, and spend time together discovering what lies ahead for next year.

Parents told us how much they enjoyed looking around, visiting their child's new classroom, and having the chance to share in their child's learning by looking through their books.

If you weren't able to attend, please don't worry. Your child's school books will be sent home before the end of term. To help us make sure everything arrives safely, please send in a named carrier bag so we can pack and return all books and belongings ready for the summer break.

CITY SPORTS SUCCESS!

Our City Sports team had a fantastic time representing our school across a wide range of athletic events. Every child demonstrated our REACH values with pride, determination and excellent sportsmanship throughout the day. We also discovered some particular talents in the Egg and Spoon and Space Hopper races!

We are delighted that as a school, we finished 9th overall; an improvement on last year's performance.



A huge thank you to our dedicated coaches, Mr Farquharson, Mrs Bygrave and Mr Lewis, for all their hard work and support. Finally, thank you to all the families and friends who came along to cheer on the team in the summer heat. Your encouragement made a real difference!

COULD YOU BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT?

From September, the eligibility criteria for Free School Meal funding is changing. Although all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 continue to receive free school meals through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme, your child may still be eligible for additional educational funding that can have a positive impact on their learning and opportunities at school.

Please check whether you are eligible by scanning the QR code. Every eligible application helps us access additional funding to support our pupils. Thank you for your support.

Southend-on-Sea City Council Free
School Meal Data Collection 2026



CELEBRATING THE LAST WEEK OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Can you believe that next week is already the final week of the school year? There will be lots to look forward to as we come together to celebrate, reflect, and enjoy our last few days as a school community.

Our end-of-year reports will be sent home next week, and we would love to hear your feedback. A feedback form will be shared via Ping, giving you the opportunity to share your thoughts on the school year as a whole, as well as your reflections on your child's report. Your feedback is incredibly valuable and helps us to continue improving and celebrating the things that matter most to our families.

Our Year 2 children will enjoy a special playground party and an inter-house rounders competition as they celebrate the end of their time at infant school. Our Nursery children will also come together for a celebration at the park as they prepare for their exciting transition into school, with the vast majority joining our Reception classes in September.

The weather is set to be a little cooler next week, but as it is our final week of term, children are welcome to continue wearing their PE kits if you wish, or return to school uniform; we are happy with either option.

We are very much looking forward to our final week together and celebrating all the wonderful achievements, memories, and moments that have made this year so special.



Tash Fest

IN MEMORY OF NATASHA
A FAMILY FESTIVAL OF MUSIC, COMMUNITY & SUPPORT

6 WEEKS TO GO!

TICKETS SELLING FAST!



15TH AUGUST 2026

1PM TO 10PM



WESTCLIFF RUGBY CLUB, ROCHFORD

♥ LIVE BANDS & DJ'S ♥ FOOD & DRINK ♥ FAMILY FUN ♥ WELLBEING AREA ♥ TRADERS & STALLS ♥ MEGA RAFFLE

**MEGA
RAFFLE!**

SOME OF THE AMAZING PRIZES UP FOR GRABS!



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3-NIGHT STAY



DEWALT DRILL
SET



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BEAUTY



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PRIZES TO FOLLOW!



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Tash Fest is being arranged in memory of the mother of one of our former pupils, who sadly passed away from breast cancer last August, to raise funds for a wonderful local breast cancer charity "Lady McAdden". All proceeds from entry and raffle ticket sales will be donated to the charity who are coincidentally celebrating their 50th anniversary this year.

So why not join them, to support the charity, and enjoy for an unforgettable day of live music, wellbeing, entertainment, bouncing and cocktails.

Tickets are £12.50 per person, and preferably purchased in advanced by way of the QR code on the attached flyer, with further details of the arrangements provided on the link.

Hoping to see you there

Stars of the week

NURSERY
Jathniel Emmanuel



NORTHERN IRELAND

Alesha Uddin

WALES

Jude Rumbelow

SCOTLAND

Fleur Markillie

SPAIN

Iris Buikhuizen

MEXICO

Matida Nyambuya

SOUTH AFRICA

Ralph Rawlings

FINLAND

Dusty Thomson

VIETNAM

Brooke Bolton

BAHAMAS

Emilia Campbell-Carr

Right on time

punctual



Orla Willmott	Callum Holmes	Robyn Hogg
Fleur Markillie	Imran Helili	James Mossop
Lyra Lockley	Margot Scott	Talia Jacobs



Be kind, be good,
shine brightly!

ATTENDANCE
This week - 96.40%

EYFS - 95.89%

Year 1 - 98.09%

Year 2 - 95.34%

Whole School Year To Date - 96.30%



REACH Award

Achieve

Rory Mason





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: Worrysaurus, Oaky Owl's last day

Number songs/Stories: We will share our favourite number stories and songs from our time at Nursery.

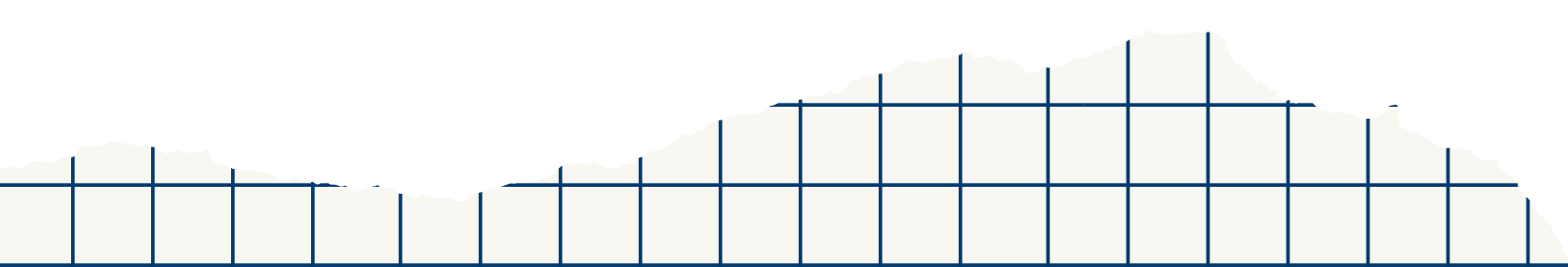
Other Areas: Next week, we will have the opportunity to talk about our feelings and how we feel about us and/or our friends leaving for big school. We will talk about our favourite stories, songs and learning this year in Nursery. We will take part in a range of crafts and activities and will have the opportunity to spend time together across both classes. We will also make some special cards and pictures for our friends to keep. Don't forget, we will have our family picnic on Friday afternoon where we will celebrate another fantastic year together and our school leavers will have the opportunity to perform a special song.

Reception

Phonics: Children will use their phonic knowledge to enjoy a range of phonic games and books together.

Maths: In maths next week, we will enjoy revisiting some of our learning.

Other Areas: Next week, our focus is all about transition. Children will have the opportunity to reflect on their year in Reception and will look forward to Year 1 with positivity. They will have the chance to ask questions about Year 1 and explore their feelings about change. We will explore the idea that we can feel more than one emotion at the same time- we might feel excited and nervous! We will take time to celebrate our successes and achievements with our teachers and friends.





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Year

1

Phonics: Revisiting previously taught special friends and sounds

Maths: Maths assessments and practising number fact recall

Foundation subjects: In Science, we will be thinking about the signs of summer and reviewing our learning about the four seasons, exploring how they link together to form a never-ending cycle. In Geography, we will revisit our learning about the four countries of the United Kingdom, matching each country's flag and capital city to the correct map outline. In our final RE lesson, we will reflect on our learning about how different religions and non-religious groups can provide people with a sense of belonging. We will also take part in a fun year group PE session (weather permitting), using the equipment we have enjoyed throughout the year to practise our throwing, running and jumping skills. We are also very much looking forward to taking part in our 'peaceful protest', where we will proudly wear the t-shirts we have designed and created. There will also be lots of fun class activities as we celebrate and bring our wonderful Year 1 journey to a close!

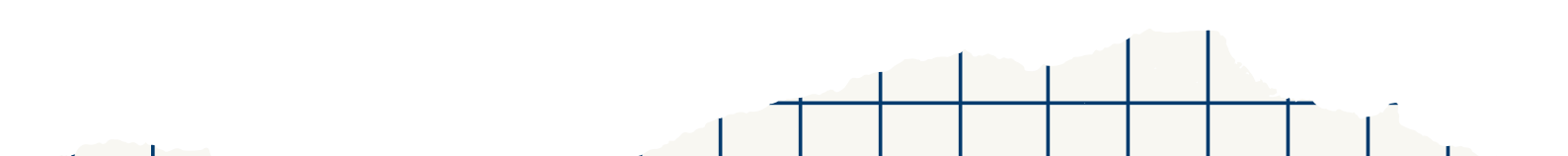
Year

2

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

Maths: Revision

Foundation subjects: We are still very busy as we head into our final week of the school year! In Computing, we will be putting the finishing touches on our e-books by adding animations and making elements move. In Geography, we will compare the similarities and differences between Kampong Ayer in Brunei and Chalkwell using aerial photographs. In History, we will learn more about our local area by exploring the fascinating history of Southend Pier. In DT, we will proudly showcase our completed Peaceful Protest decorations and evaluate our finished products against our original design criteria. In PE, we will take part in a mini inter-house rounders tournament, while in RE we will explore the Big Question: Who can save the planet? We will think about the importance of caring for our world through the story of Adam and Eve. Finally, we will celebrate a wonderful year together by saying a fond farewell to our Year 2 children at our leavers' party on Thursday. It promises to be a fun and memorable end to a fantastic year!



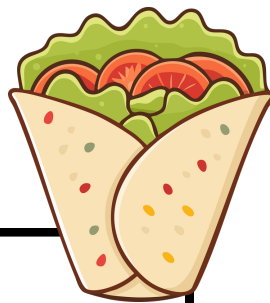
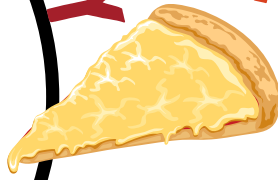
MENU - WEEK 2

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)



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 AVAILBLE OCCASSIONALLY)

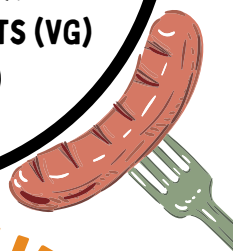
TWIRLY PASTA TUESDAY

TRICOLOUR PASTA (G) (VG)
WITH
HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE
(WITH HIDDEN VEG) (CY)
AND GRATED CHEESE (MK),
GARLIC BREAD (G) (MAY CONTAIN MK)
AND
BROCCOLI (VG)



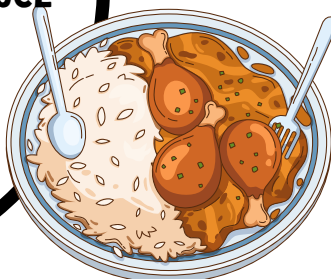
WEDNESDAY FAVOURITES

PORK SAUSAGE OR MEAT FREE
SAUSAGE WITH YORKSHIRE
PUDDING
(G) (MK) (E) (S) (V)
WITH OVEN ROASTED
POTATOES (VG) (G),
BROCCOLI (VG), CARROTS (VG)
AND GRAVY (VG)



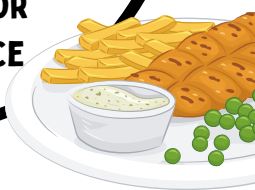
FIREY FEAST FRIDAY

OVEN BAKED BREADED
CHICKEN GOUJON (G) OR
BREADED MEAT FREE GOUJON (G)
WITH
HOMEMADE KATSU CURRY SAUCE
(CCN) (SOYB)(CY)(VG)
AND STEAMED RICE AND
CARROTS (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) (E) (MU)





WHAT'S GOING ON?

New additions will be in red

Mon 13 Jul	Year 2s watching Year 6 leavers' show
Tue 14 Jul	Peaceful protest on the playground (saving the planet)
Wed 15 Jul	1.15 Year 2 Rounders tournament (in school)
Thu 16 Jul	Year 2 Leavers party afternoon
Fri 17 Jul	pm Nursery family picnic and leavers' celebration
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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