# Chadwell St Mary Primary School Newsletter Issue 9 2023 -24 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024



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Dear parents and carers,

The cold and the wind and the rain doesn't dampen our spirits at CSM!

Hopefully you can see from our social media posts that lots of wonderful and exciting things are happening every day.

I have also had an influx of emails from colleagues recently asking to arrange some theme days or visitors to the school. Before half term, we'll be rocking out for Numbers Day, thanks to Mrs Dennis. . have a cool carousel of activities to promote internet safety day courtesy of Miss Terry. Years 4 and 5 are off to The Imperial War museum and we are aiming to squash in one of our world famous cake sales! As if that wasn't enough, next week classes will also be completing an activity from their experience passports. For our newer families, each child is given an experience passport in reception. The passport contains a range of activities to be completed in school over the year. The passport follows them through the school and is handed over on their last day in year 6 as a record of some of the exciting experiences from their time with us.

We absolutely want each "Chadwellian" to fulfil their potential and viewing learning as fun is a crucial part of achieving this.

Thank you

Miss Moorcraft



#### Safer Internet Day – 6th February 24

Safer Internet Day 2024 will take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February 2024, with celebrations and learning based around the theme '**Inspiring challenge, making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online**'.

Safer Internet Day is the UK's biggest celebration of online safety. Each year we cover an online issue or theme that speaks to the things young people are seeing and experiencing online.

#### Reminder to collect the Tokens for our Chadwell Eco-Warriors Sensory Garden Project

We are delighted to let you know that we have been successful in our application to the Tesco Stronger Starts and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from mid-January 2024 until the end of March 2024.

The project with the highest number of votes across your region will receive £1,500 the second placed project £1,000 and the third placed project £500. To re-iterate, if we are first in the vote, you will receive £1,500.

Please see below the Stores taking part and where you and your family can vote on your project. Feel free to share this list of stores amongst your supporters and within your community.

The more token votes we get the bigger our donation will be.

- Chafford Hundred Exp RM16 6YA
- Lakeside Extra RM20 1TX
- Armada Chafford Exp RM16 6PS
- Grays Express RM16 2BD
- Chadwell St Mary RM16 4JD
- South Ockendon Expres RM15 6QA
- Tilbury Express RM18 7QW
- Derwent Sth Ocken Exp RM15 5GN
- Southend Rd Grays Exp RM17 5NJ

#### Year 4 and 5 trip to The Imperial War Museum



In just over a week Year's 4 and 5 will be visiting The Imperial War Museum in London.

All payments should have now been paid. If you have not paid for your child's trip please log on to your Schoolgateway account and make your payment immediately.



### Congratulations to Mrs Chakli

I am sure you would want to join us in congratulating Mrs Chakli on the safe arrival of her baby boy.



Mother and baby are doing well.  $\bigodot$ 

#### Head boy and girl message

#### Hello,

Last Wednesday, the school council got together and shared ideas on how the school can improve the tuck shop and playtime. Members of the school council spoke to their classes so everyone had a chance to have their voice heard. We look forward to seeing which suggestions will be chosen.

Get your Rockstar outfits ready for Number Day on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. There will be a competition between all the classes around the school, at the end of the competition the winning class will be awarded a prize. Make sure you practice! Playtime has been improved with more equipment being added for our enjoyment. We now have a parachute, games, airplanes, ping pong and more.

We would like to thank the staff for making this happen.

Riley & Adela

## NSPCC – Number Day – GET YOUR

OUTFITS READY - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024



Last year, we raised a fantastic £90 on numbers day towards the NSPCC.

This year we will be marking this special day by holding a 'Dress up as a Rock Star Day'

#### Number Day is on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in the United Kingdom for NSPCC Number Day.

Children in all year groups are invited to dress up as rockstars for the day. We have included the above images to inspire you.

Children in years 2 to 6 will take part in the NSPCC competition online. All year groups will experience a rock and roll golden time. Our maths lessons on this day will involve the NSPCC number day challenges too.

NSPCC are a charity which aim to prevent cruelty to children in all its forms. Therefore, we are going to be raising money for this charity on this day. Please, only donate what you can afford to.



<u>PSHE –</u> Over the last two weeks, the children have been discussing what one of our core values, 'perseverance', means. They have also started their new topic in PSHE called 'Dreams and Goals' and they linked their own dreams and goals to our core value of perseverance.

<u>Phonics –</u> It has been lovely to see the children working really hard to improve their fluency when reading this week. I have seen lots of children recognising their speedy green words from the books they are reading

<u>Music</u> – Everyone is loving the choice of songs in our sharing assemblies! We had some rock, classical, pop and west end musicals.

Most importantly, we've had lots of smiles! We are passionate about music at CSM and the power of a song. Music is what feelings sound like.

<u>**Reading**</u> - Class 4 are enjoying reading 'The Spiderwick Chronicles' by Tony DeTerlizzi and Holly Black. They have learned how the authors build tension by using the word 'something' when talking about the creature which is making scratching and rustling sounds in the walls of the characters' new home. Reading good quality stories also helps children use similar techniques in their own writing. The Spiderwick Chronicles is part of a series. Look out for the other books in the series Amazon link to Spiderwick Chronicles books <u>**RE**</u> - In Year 3, pupils are learning about Jesus. This week they have learnt what Jesus was like as a person from the Gospels.

Year 4 have been learning about Hindu devotees and why shrines have a special place in Hindu homes. This is where Hindus offer food and drink to deities so the food is blessed among other offerings too. Hindus ensure these shrines are kept clean and tidy to show respect.

<u>Geography -</u> Year 2 had a wonderful experience this week. They got to participate in a virtual lesson, led by David Shepherd of the Wildlife Foundation. They learnt lots of exciting information about animals they might find in Africa and their habitats.

<u>Talk 4 writing</u> - Year 5 have been writing mystery stories. Pupils have been focusing on their choice of language to describe the characters and setting and how this affects the reader. They have written highquality detailed descriptive stories- well done, Year 5.

<u>Maths -</u> I am looking forward to seeing everyone's rockstar costumes for Number Day on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024. We have exciting plans in place! The children will be taking part in the NSPCC Rocks competition. I have been pleased to hear classes chanting their tables this week in preparation for the big competition. Ready, steady...let's rock!

<u>**Computing</u>** - In computing year 2 have been learning how to create pictures on Purple Mash. Over the last two weeks, they have looked at Impressionism and Poilitist Art. The children have worked beautifully to create pictures of themselves in the different styles of art and they have been using different colours and the water tool to dilute the colours. Keep up the hard work year 2!</u>

<u>Science –</u> We live in a 'throwaway culture', where many of our things aren't built to last. Each year, every house in the UK produces about 1 tonne of waste – that's about the same weight as a great white shark! What's worse, is that 60% of what we throw away, is actually recyclable! That's why it's super important to check the label on every piece of rubbish, to make sure you're putting it in the right bin.



<u>Art & D & T</u> - The art masterclass I was privileged to lead last week was amazing. We looked at the work of LS Lowry and created a 1 point perspective picture in his style. Every canvas was incredible, but I would like to share the work from Samir and Daniel (Year 3)



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#### **JANUARY 24**

New dates in BOLD

**Deleted dates in RED** 

8 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to school	
<del>10<sup>th</sup></del>	<del>Yr 6 visit to church</del>	PM
<del>12</del> <sup>th</sup>	Reception Tour Sept 23 intake	<del>9.30am</del>
<del>19<sup>th</sup></del>	Year 5 Sharing Assembly	<del>9.00am</del>
26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Sharing Assembly	9.00am
31 <sup>st</sup>	Year's 4 & 5 visit imperial war museum	
	19 <sup>th</sup> February – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	
	HALF TERM	

#### **FEBRUARY 24**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 2 Sharing Assembly	9.00am
2 <sup>nd</sup>	NSPCC numbers Day	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Internet Safety Day	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Sharing Assembly	9.00am
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16 <sup>th</sup>	NON-PUPIL DAY	
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26<sup>th</sup> Pupils Return To School

#### MARCH 23

- 7thWorld Book Day8thYear 1 Sharing Assembly9.00am12thGemmas Farm visit12thParents Evening14thParents Evening15thComic Relief Red Nose Day
- 15thReception Sharing Assembly9.00am19thYr 6 parent SATs information event2.30pm

#### 29th March – 12th April EASTER HOLIDAY

#### APRIL 24

- 15<sup>th</sup> Pupils Return to School
- 17<sup>th</sup> Night Owls visit
- 18<sup>th</sup> Yr 2 visit Tower of London
- 24<sup>th</sup> Year 1 trip to Hever Castle

#### 6<sup>th</sup> May BANK HOLIDAY

#### MAY 24

TBC Yr 3 visit - Thameside Nature Park

1<sup>st</sup> Year 3 visit to Barleylands 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATs Week 27<sup>th</sup> May - 31<sup>ST</sup> May - HALF TERM

#### **JUNE 24**

$5^{\text{th}} - 7^{\text{th}}$	Year 6 Residential
11 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 4 visit to Wat Tyler Park
26 <sup>th-</sup> 28 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair

#### JULY 24

TBC	Infant Music Festival	
TBC	Reception visit-sea life centre	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 4 Bikeability	9am
4 <sup>th</sup>	Open Evening for parents to see work	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day	TBC
17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 lunch	12pm
18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents	AM
19 <sup>th</sup>	Reports go home	
19 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term	
	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	
	August – Summer Break	

#### September 24

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Non-Pupil Day
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Non-Pupil Day
- 4<sup>th</sup> Children return to school

All dates and times are subject to change.

