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Dear parents and carers,

I can't ignore the amazing "Rock Star" day last Friday! There will be more about our successes later in this newsletter, however I want to say a huge thank you to everyone for joining in the fun. A special shout out to Mrs Dennis, who organised the whole day brilliantly. Another Chadwell "WOW!"

We also went "big" for internet safety day this year (Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb), with an afternoon carousel of activities highlighting how to remain safe whilst online. Thank you to Miss Terry for arranging a fun and informative internet safety day.

A reminder that Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February is a non-pupil day. The school will not be open to pupils, parents or carers on this day. The following week is half term, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and healthy half term break.

Thank you Miss Moorcraft

## NSPCC – Number Day



Wow! The NSPCC Rocks event surpassed our expectations, for sure! From the moment the children arrived at the gate, their energy and enthusiasm were incredible. As a school we have raised £101.24. Thank you for your contributions. I am proud to announce our position in the competition. There were 3515 primary schools in the UK signed up and our final leaderboard position was 195<sup>th</sup>. This is an amazing effort for a one form entry school. We are immensely proud of all the children and their contribution towards this memorable day. How lucky am I to be maths lead at a school full of rockstars! Our Timestable Ambassadors voted for a winner per class for NSPCC Rocks last Friday. Everybody embraced their inner rock star and I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and carers for their



effort on costumes for the children. Well done to our winners! <u>Rock Star Winners</u> Year R – Albie Year 1 – Delilah Year 2 – Jaimie Year 3 – Anay

Year 4 – Faye Year 5 – Alfie G Year 6 – Oliver P

Safer Internet Day 2024 Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre safer internet day.org.uk

### Safer Internet Day – 6<sup>th</sup> February 24

Safer Internet Day 2024 took place here in school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of February 2024. The children took part in celebrations and their learning was 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.

Take a look at our online newsletter which is also available to view on our website.

https://chadwellstmary.org.uk/

### February's Internet Safety Newsletter

 <u>https://chadwellstmary.org.uk/wp-</u> content/uploads/2024/02/Online-Safety-Newsletter-February-2024.pdf</u>

## LAST CHANCE TO BOOK!

## FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY SPORT and LEISURE CLUB

Monday 19th February to Friday 23rd February BASED AT STIFFORD CLAYS PRIMARY SCHOOL The provision is for pupils of CSM, DPS and SCP only

<u>8AM – 4PM - £15 PER FULL DAY PER CHILD</u> <u>Or</u>

 9am-12pm £7 and 1pm-4pm £7 HALF DAY PER

 √ Dodgeball √ Art activities √ Football

 tournament √ Mini Olympics

 √ Board Games √ Gymnastics √ Hide and Seek

 √ Treasure Hunt √ Rounders

 √ Quizzes √ Tennis √ Athletics √ Team Games

#### and lots more!

The provision will be led by our SWECET Trust PE team and so the children know the teachers well.You can book a day, a half day, a few days, some half days or a whole week if you prefer. We expect good behaviour from all children whilst attending so that the days are not spoilt by anyone and everyone has fun. Repeated poor behaviour will result in the place being withdrawn.

## You need to book as detailed below to secure your place(s).

Numbers are limited to ensure the safety and enjoyment of the children attending. <u>Bookings and payment</u>

Bookings and Payment will need to be made through your child's school's Gateway account no later than Monday 12th February. Please go to the School Gateway App where you be able to book and pay for the sessions you require. Please contact the school office if you need help with booking/paying and they will provide support.

## World Book Day- Thursday 7th March 2024

We will be celebrating World Book Day again this year and invite the children to dress up as a favourite book character. Home-made costumes are often better than spending money on a ready-made



outfit. Perhaps it could be a half term holiday project! There are lots of costume ideas online. The children will all receive a £1 World Book Day voucher which can be used to buy one of 6 specially produced books for the event. These can be used in most book shops and supermarkets until the end of March. On the day, classes will participate in lots of fun, creative lessons based on books and stories.

## Head boy and girl message

## Hello,

On February 2<sup>nd</sup> we had number day. We got to dress as Rock Stars and came 195<sup>th</sup> place across the country against 3500 other schools. Everyone enjoyed the school day, especially the karaoke at lunchtime. On 6<sup>th</sup> February, we celebrated International Internet Safety Day. We went to different classes and took part in a number of activities, including, rope laying scenarios, making viruses, various biscuits and playing games about online safety. We had a lot of fun! Riley & Adela



**PSHE** - The children have continued to consider what their dreams and goals are, and they have linked this to our core value, perseverance. In particular, the children in reception have been focusing on what they would like to be when they grow up, Year 2 have been working towards a short term goal they set themselves. Year 4 have been learning what to do when things do not go to plan and Year 6 have decided what their goals are and what small steps they need to take to start achieving them. Phonics – Well done to all the children who are continuing to participate in their phonic sessions. The next assessments will be completed over the next two weeks. Over half term, teachers will give those children in phonic groups links to watch at home. Music – Some families have asked for the TT Rock Star day playlist, so here it is - enjoy! 🙂 Don't Stop Me Now - Queen We will Rock You - Queen Livin' on a Prayer - Bon Jovi Don't Stop Believin' - Journey I'm Still Standing - Elton John Eye of the Tiger - Survivor We Built this City - Starship Summer of '69 - Brvan Adams

<u>**Reading**</u> - Just 20 minutes of reading a day makes such a difference. Research shows the impact is has.



<u>**RE**</u> - Year 1 have been learning about special books. This week pupils looked at the Christian Bible and who uses it. They then learnt the story of Noah and ordered the illustrations of the story.

This half term Year 2 have been studying Buddhism. They are now able to recognise where and how Buddhists worship by looking at pictures of Buddhist temples around the world and comparing these photos. Year 2 learnt about the importance of Buddhist shrines and drew a Buddhist shrine and labelled the items.

<u>Geography -</u> In reception, we have been learning the story Handa's Surprise. We have been comparing the African setting to our local town, Grays.

<u>**Talk 4 writing**</u> - Year 2 have been studying instructional writing. They now know what features to

include such as imperative verbs and time conjunctions. I look forward to testing out if their instructions were clear to follow.

Year 6 are learning how to write a diary as a Victorian child stuck in the workhouse. We have focused on emotive language and informal language

Maths – There is so much to celebrate on the back of NSPCC Rocks. Each class band were in competition with one another as well at the main leaderboard position. The classes in our school have been awarded top 3 positions. In 1<sup>st</sup> place, we have year 4. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place, we have year 6 and finally 3<sup>rd</sup> place goes to be year 5. An extra shout out to our year 4 class who came 683<sup>rd</sup> out of 22 268 classes. What an incredible achievement! If your child would like to continue to battle at home, there is a new year group battle scheduled and it begins Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 3pm and it will run until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024. Let the battle of the classes continue!

<u>Computing</u> - Last Tuesday we celebrated Internet Safety Day. It was wonderful to see all the different activities the children took part in. You will see photos on our Facebook page. The children were able to explain why it is important to be safe online and how we should TAG (Tell A Grown Up) if we are concerned.

<u>Science – Who is Tim Peake?</u>

Name: Tim Peake

**Age**: 48

**Famous for**: Being the first British ESA astronaut to visit the International Space Station (ISS) **Previous jobs**: Tim was a Major in the British Army before becoming a helicopter test pilot <u>Art/DT -</u> After half term, classes begin their spring term design and technology units. D&T gives children the opportunity to develop skills, knowledge and understanding of designing and making functional products. At CSM we feel it is vital to nurture creativity and innovation through design, and by exploring the designed and made world in which we all live and work.

## Important Dates for your diary...

New dates in BOLD Deleted dates in RED



16<sup>th</sup> NON-PUPIL DAY- school closed 19<sup>th</sup> February – 23<sup>rd</sup> February HALF TERM

#### FEBRUARY 24

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 2 Sharing Assembly	<del>9.00am</del>
<del>2<sup>nd</sup></del>	NSPCC numbers Day	
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<del>9<sup>th</sup></del>	Year 3 Sharing Assembly	<del>9.00am</del>
13 <sup>th</sup>	Pancake Day in school	
16 <sup>th</sup>	NON-PUPIL DAY	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils Return To School	

#### MARCH 23

7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Sharing Assembly	9.00am
12 <sup>th</sup>	Gemmas Farm visit	
12 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Sharing Assembly	9.00am
19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 parent SATs information event	2.30pm
	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

TBCYr 3 visit - Thameside Nature Park1stYear 3 visit to Barleylands13th-16thYear 6 SATs Week

27<sup>th</sup> May – 31<sup>ST</sup> May - HALF TERM

#### **JUNE 24**

$5^{th} - 7^{th}$	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

ТВС	Infant Music Festival	
ТВС	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	
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#### September 24

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Non-Pupil Day

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

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