



CHEPSTOW HOUSE NEWS

Dates to remember!

Thurs 6 Oct

**Pelican Class
Assembly**

Parents welcome from
8.30am for coffee &
croissants

Fri 7 Oct

Jeans for Genes Day

Wed 12 Oct &

Thurs 13 Oct

Year 2 Parents'
Appointments

Thurs 13 Oct

Reception visit to
Holland Park

Thurs 13 Oct

Year 1 visit to Museum
of Childhood

Wed 19 Oct

**Sparrow & Robin
Class Assembly**

Parents welcome from
8.30am for coffee &
croissants

Wed 19 Oct

Last day of half term
Full school day

Thurs 20 Oct

HALF TERM

Mon 31 Oct

BACK TO SCHOOL
Doors open at 8.30am

Tues 1 Nov

Year 2 visit to
National Army
Museum

Mon 7 Nov

Reception visit to
Science Museum

**Wed 9 Nov &
Thurs 10 Nov**

Rec & Yr 1 Parents'
Appointments

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From the Head

Life at Chepstow House continues to be busy with visits from the Local Community Police Officer, PC Jon Burchill, an Olympic Athlete, Roger Black and our Harvest Assembly. Thank you for your many generous donations.

Clubs are going well and the children are enjoying the variety of activities. Please can I remind parents to send a snack into school with your child if they are staying for a club, as it is a long day!

I am beginning to notice that the children are using the front of the school as a playground. Please, for Health and Safety reasons, can I ask that children do not climb on the walls and the bars on the basement windows, or slide down the sides of the steps. Also it is important, as we are based in a residential area, that we respect our neighbours and encourage the children to be aware of others using the pavement, especially when they are on their scooters. Thank you for your help and support.

Mrs A Barr, Headmistress

Silver medallist Olympian at Chepstow House!

We were honoured to have Roger Black, silver medallist in the 400m at Atlanta 1996, give an assembly on Tuesday afternoon. Mr Black brought along his shiny silver medal with its green ribbon, his Olympic running vest and the Olympic baton from the relay; which did indeed look very much like a telescope (*thank you Luke Gutman!*) Watching the 400m relay from the 1991 Tokyo World Championships in which Great Britain won gold was terribly exciting. Luckily all 4 members of the team ran very fast. Mr Black found the Olympic value of *determination* to be a key to his success. We could all heed his wise words, "if someone tells you you're not good enough, prove them wrong." Miss Prentice



Hello, Hello, Hello!

Reception classes have had a very busy and exciting week. PC Jon came to visit the children and very kindly let them try on his hat, policeman's jacket and talk to his colleagues on his 'walkie talkie'. The children made sure that their teachers couldn't get away and PC Jon had to handcuff them! But luckily all were released just the in 'nick' of time. ... Eletta proudly informed us that her daddy needed to be handcuffed too "because he ate all the Nutella at home"! (*there are no secrets*). Finally we have enjoyed learning our sounds this week "n & p". The children have been delightfully messy with pasta, noodles and making the most delicious pizzas.

Jeans for Genes

I am delighted to inform you that Jeans for Genes www.jeansforgenes.com, the much-loved UK children's charity is Alpha Plus Group's official charity partner. Therefore Chepstow House will once again be getting on board to support this cause. Every year 30,000 children in the UK are born with a genetic disorder and Jeans for Genes raises funds to provide these children with essential support services and to invest in research that identifies the causes, treatments and cures for these disorders. **On Friday 7th October** we are asking that all children come to school in their jeans and leave their uniforms at home. A gold coin donation from each child will be greatly appreciated and passed on from the school to this great charity. We look forward to seeing everyone in their jeans!



News from the Chef

Brookwood Catering will be presenting a Caribbean children's lunch on Friday 14th October in aid of "Black History Month". A special menu of Baked Plantain, Rice 'n' Peas, Stewed Chicken & Sweet Potato Pie. Followed by a delicious dessert of Pineapple Crumble & Cream. To get us all in the mood, the kitchen staff will decorate in a Caribbean style and have festive music to help the lunch go down a treat! *From Miss Angela our chef*