

Message from Mrs Barr



Dear Parents

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we approach the end of another busy week at our school.

Firstly, I would like to express my thanks to all the parents who attended the 'meet the teacher' event on Tuesday and Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many of you taking an active interest in building a connection with your child's future teachers. Your trust and support mean a great deal to them, and they look forward to teaching your children in the coming year.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the dedicated members of Team Kenya who gave a presentation to parents about their recent trip to Eldoret. It was a wonderful opportunity for parents to witness first-hand the impact our volunteers had during their time at our partnership school. Their efforts were truly appreciated, as was the positive difference they made in the lives of the students they worked with. Attached to the newsletter email is a letter I received from Stand by Me, expressing their appreciation of our wonderful staff and families.

In other news, we welcomed PC Jordan, our school's liaison officer, into the school who spoke to our year 4 and 6 classes. Their informative talks provided valuable insights into the role of the police in our community and fostered a greater understanding of their vital work. I believe these experiences help our children develop a strong sense of citizenship and respect for law enforcement.

Looking ahead, we have some exciting events on the horizon. We are eagerly anticipating the year 6 production, where our talented children will showcase their creativity and hard work. It promises to be an evening filled with laughter, joy, and remarkable performances. Additionally, our annual sports day is just around the corner. We encourage all parents to come and cheer on our students as they compete, displaying their skills and sportsmanship.

Lastly, I would like to remind you that on Monday, 26th, Inspired Education will be visiting our school to introduce themselves. This is an excellent opportunity for you to learn more about them as a group and explore the possibilities that Inspired Education has to offer.

As always, we appreciate your continued involvement and support in our school community and, remember, you can keep up to date on all our activities through our [website](#), [SharePoint](#) and social media sites: [school](#), [art](#), [sport](#). and look forward to seeing you at the next school events.

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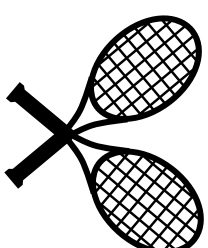
Best wishes

Angela Barr
Head
Chepstow House School





Sports Fixtures



W/C 26th June		Fixture Information
Monday		Y6 Games
Tuesday		Y4 Cricket vs NHP Venue: Unford Christie Leave School: 1:30pm Match: 2:15pm – 3:30pm Return to School: 3:45pm Kit: Cricket Whites Staff: Mr Wilkinson, Miss Norman, Mr Best, 1XV4
Wednesday		No Fixtures
Thursday		Y5 Games
Friday		Sports Day

Behaviour Badge









Reception	
Robin	Hunter
Sparrow	Theia
Wren	Arya
Year 1	
Pelican	Maya
Penguin	Lucien
Puffin	Safiyyah
Year 2	
Kingfisher	Ayan
Swallow	Harry
Woodpecker	Awra




Year 3	
Shorelark	Meera
Skylark	Nico
Woodlark	Krish
Year 4	
Snowy Owl	Massimiliano
Tawny Owl	
Year 5	
Grey Hawk	Leo
Harrier Hawk	
Year 6	
Golden Eagle	Ella








Stars of the Week



Class	Name	Reason
Robin 	Chiara Fields	For your outstanding efforts in maths lessons, you have blown me away with your determination and progress.
Sparrow 	George Barker	For his excellent problem solving when answering addition and subtraction questions
Wren 	Jett Leslau	For your super efforts in literacy, you have produced some lovely pieces of writing.
Pelican 	Santiago Aguilar Amodeo	For your fantastic contributions to our maths lessons on measure.
Puffin 	Alex Abillama	For showing excellent determination when working out the unit of measurement for different items
Penguin 	Karina Chandaria	For her excellent progress with her mental maths over the last term.

Class	Name	Reason
Swallow 	Aekom Khurana	For showing such great perseverance when tackling the grid method for multiplication
Kingfisher 	Riccardo Gysi	For your excellent weekend news writing where you thought carefully about how to describe a setting in detail.
Woodpecker 	Margot Chalmers	For constantly helping, caring for and thinking of those around you. You are a true role model for your peers.
Woodlark 	Noa Robinson	for including all the elements of her toolbox in her writing this week.
Shorelark 	Sasha Dyrtschenko	For her conscious effort at improving her spelling.
Skylark 	Maud Wattenburg	For effectively and independently using embedded clauses, alongside the rest of our tool kit, in her writing.

Class	Name	Reason
<p>Tawny Owl</p> 	<p>Oscar Leon</p>	<p>For his perseverance and commitment to following problems through in maths.</p>
<p>Snowy Owl</p> 	<p>Florian Young</p>	<p>For learning our model text Elf Road with great focus and resilience.</p>
<p>Grey Hawk</p> 	<p>Aran Keyhan-Rad</p>	<p>For your hard work and enthusiasm whilst learning the songs for our Fire! trip. You sang with a huge amount of expression.</p>
<p>Harrier Hawk</p> 	<p>Leo Traub-Filia</p>	<p>For his energetic singing during our recent school trip to a Classical Roadshow. His enthusiasm was fantastic.</p>
<p>Golden Eagle</p> 	<p>Khush Mistry</p>	<p>For his dedication to always doing his best in all lessons.</p>

SPECIALIST AWARDS



French	Dante	For his brilliant efforts remembering words and taking part in lessons.
Music	Lev Bukhman	For his fantastic hard work and incredible performances on the drums.
Sport	Austin Bienkowski	For excelling in his cricket fixtures and athletics lessons.
Drama		
Art	Sophia Pelican Class	For her impressive and colourful Notting Hill Carnival costume design.
Science		



Art Department



Art Department



Year 5's amazing figurative sculptures inspired by artist Giacometti. You can see more photos on the art SharePoint page! Have a great weekend -
Miss Luke

Sports Department

This week of sport has been another hot week, continuing to practice and perfect skills for sports day. The children have been working on a range of athletic activities ready for their rotations on sports day. The KS2 children have also been working on standing triple jump, as well as taking part in short sprinting races ready for sports day next week.

In cricket the children have combined all of the cricket skills they have learnt so far to create team games using batting and fielding techniques.

In tennis the KS1 children have continued to work on rallies, using a forehand shot. The children have been incorporating key aspects of the shot, including a star shape stance and swinging from low to high to try and hold a rally for as long as possible with a partner.

It is only one week to go until sports day!! Please can we remind all parents that KS1 children are NOT permitted to stay at the venue once their sports day is finished. Your child may either return to school on the bus provided and collected from school or alternatively your child may be collected from the venue at 1.30pm. We are looking forward to the day and can't wait for you to see all of your child's hard work paying off!



French Department



Quite appropriately for this hot weather, Year 2 had fun learning how to ask for an ice cream using "Je voudrais..." and can name up to 10 different flavours! Of course, always using the polite words "s'il vous plait" and "merci".



Je voudrais une
glace au
chocolat s'il
vous plait!

Music Department



Overall winner: Leonore Kaemmerer

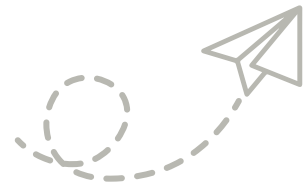
On Wednesday the whole school was buzzing with excitement for our first ever Chepstow's Got Talent final. With so much talent on display in the auditions, the judges awarded several acts a Highly Commended certificate, alongside choosing the finalists.

The children entertained the whole school with singing, dancing, instrumental performances, a monologue, gymnastics, magic, comedy, and rapping. The standard was so high that made the judges' decision extremely difficult. Finally, Mrs Barr and Miss Etherington awarded category winners certificates to Elliot, Loli & Erin and Maya, with Leonore crowned the overall champion for her incredible ballet performance. Well done to everyone who took part!



Finalists: Greta/Addie/Clara, Maya, Isla K, Freja F, Isabella F-B & Karina, Charley, Adam, Erin & Loli, Otis, Grace/Perdy/Cayetana, River & Krish, Elliot, Leonore, Bentine/Zoe/Honor/Lea/Ayesha/Amelie/Jojo/Bea

Little Chepstow



Another very hot and sunny week has passed with lots of outside and water play being enjoyed by the children.

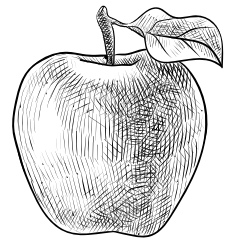
We started the week with a wonderful summer celebration for all the special male role models in the children's lives. So many guests joined us and we all enjoyed a delicious breakfast in the playground.

The rest of the week has been all about our butterflies as they hatched and ended up with twenty beautiful Painted Lady butterflies. We waved a sad goodbye to them all as they soared into the blue yonder. Do you know.....today two came back to visit. We are very happy that they want to stay in touch 😊.

The Field Mice enjoyed an exciting rain cloud experiment and now know how rain forms. The ended the week with a final exciting visit to Forest School in Holland Park. Happily no trolls were spotted and everybody made it home safely to enjoy the weekend.

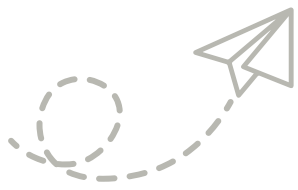


Reception



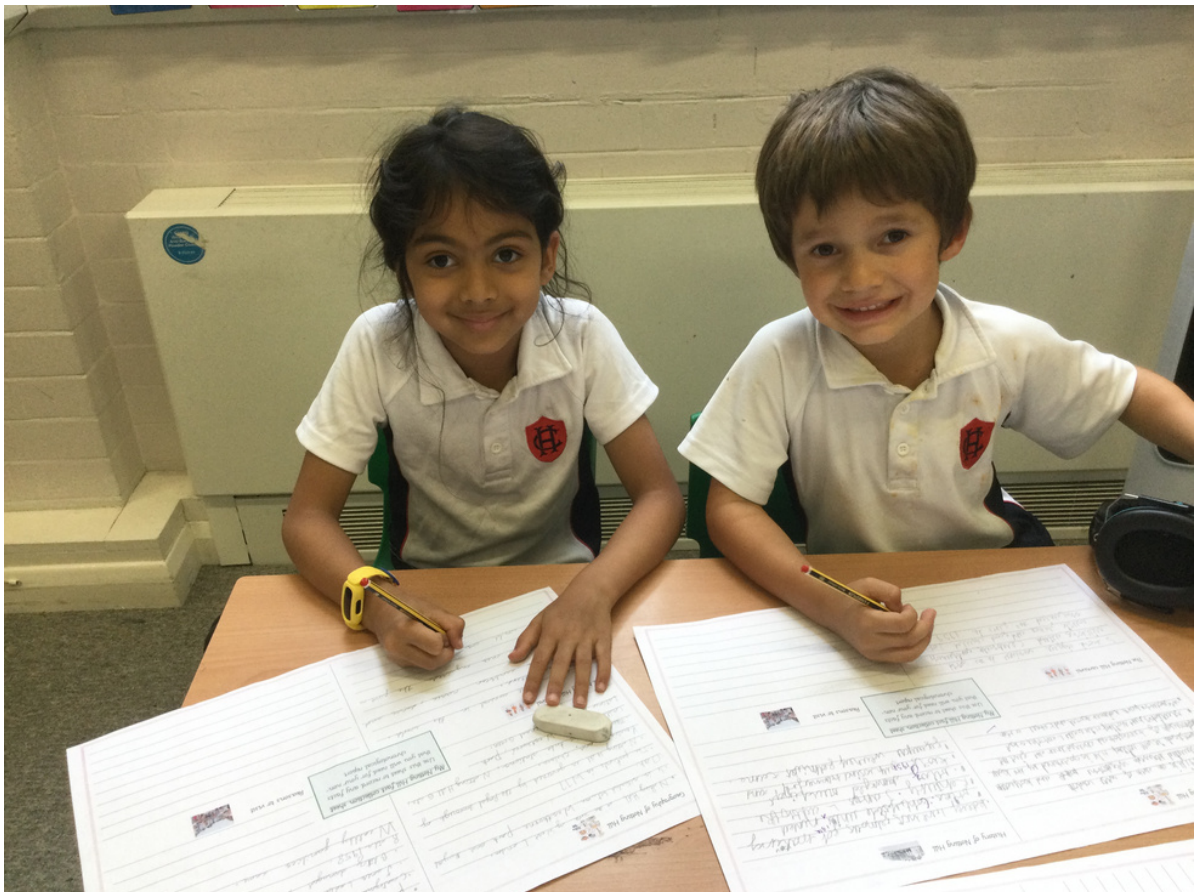
This week we have been learning about and celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Empire Windrush's arrival in Britain. The children learnt that people came from the Caribbean to Britain over 70 years ago to help the country rebuild after the war. We looked at how these people made a tremendous contribution to the culture around us and some of the difficulties they faced. We also talked about Caribbean culture including food, music and Notting Hill Carnival.





Year 1

We have had another amazing week here in Year 1. We have continued our research on our Notting Hill project for the upcoming Notting Hill Celebration. This week the focus of our research has been the annual Carnival. We could not believe that it is the second largest Carnival in the world! In linking in with Geography, we went for a walk of the local area. It was great to explore the nearby area and to see the many great amenities that we have on our doorstep. In maths, we have been revisiting our unit on shape. We are now experts at 2D shape and can name the properties of many 3D shapes. In science we explored shadow and had lots of fun experimenting with this in the playground. We can't wait to see what next week has in store!

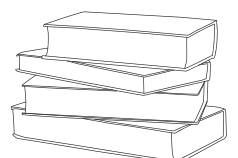




Year 2

What a week in year 2! Throughout the week we continued to learn about Mexico in geography. We learned all about the day of the dead and Mayan temples. We then celebrated all our learning on Mexico day! We had so much fun listening to a Mariachi band, learning all about the different instruments used. We danced our hearts out! Our tacos for DT were delicious! We are so proud of ourselves as chefs.

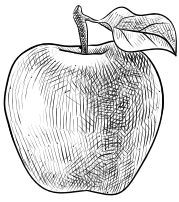
In maths this week we learned about time and measure, strengthening our knowledge of weight, volume, and time. In literacy we created some very impressive and informative leaflets for Bushcraft. We are confident that anyone who reads one will feel that they too must experience it for themselves! We have had so much fun this week and we cannot believe that the year is coming to an end. We are excited for our last weeks and all the fun our teachers have in store for us!





Year 3

An exciting week for year 3! We found out our new classes and teachers for year 4 and we are all extremely excited. Knowing that we are going into the next academic year with all our friends makes it so much easier. This week we mingled in our classes and shared special playtimes. A big week for displaying all the talent we have in Chepstow. Congratulations to everybody who took part in this year's Talent Show. It was a marvel of talent and courage from everybody who took part. In our eyes you are all winners! Work goes on as usual and we worked on measurements and conversions, story writing, farming in East Anglia as well as starting DT projects. Life goes on even in the final weeks of year 3 because there is still so much to do and learn. We are looking forward to Sports Day next Friday as we all have a competitive edge and have been practising our athletic skills over the term. We shall see you there!



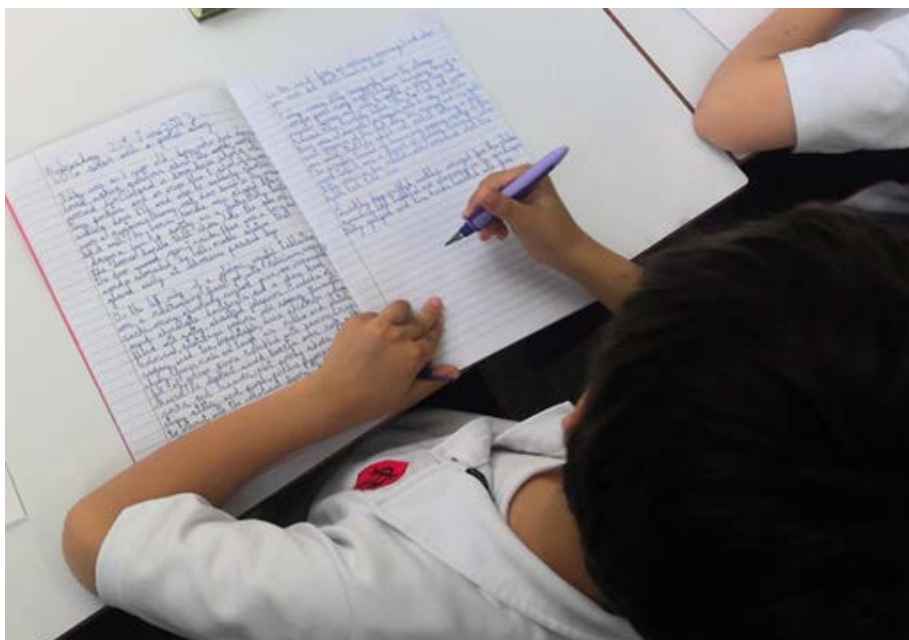
Year 4

As part of our history topic, PC Jordan came to talk to us about the role of the police nowadays and how the justice system works in England. The children were fascinated to find out how the police has changed since the Victorian times. It was fantastic to see so many children ask Jordan about misconceptions they had from films and books.

They now have a much clearer understanding of what the police does and what happens to criminals in the UK.



In English, we wrote together the story of Elf Road which we had learnt last week. We are looking forward to writing our own portal story next week in which our characters will enter an imaginary setting.



Year 5

Year 5 have had a lot of fun this week doing DT. Linked to our history topic where we have been studying the local area, this week we learnt about Windrush and the reason why there is such a large Caribbean community in Ladbroke Grove. We spent time researching traditional Caribbean dishes and enjoyed tasting the flavours in Jamaican patties, cock soup, ginger beer, plantain chips and sardines.

After this, we then designed rice dishes that could be served at Notting Hill carnival. We included ingredients such as pineapple, mango, paprika and gungo beans and had a lot of fun in the tech room!

Finally, we created Caribbean bunting and watching some carnival dancing clips to get us in the mood for our feast in the garden. We tried each other's dishes and judged them on their appearance, smell, taste and authenticity of ingredients chosen. They were delicious!



Year 5



Year 6

Another busy week for year 6 as we practise our production.
Congratulations to Bentina for winning the most
progressions in Maths Whizz!



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