



Headteacher: Miss N Bill

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CHALTON LOWER SCHOOL

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School Year 2023-2024

NEWSLETTER NO: 6



Central

Dear Parents



Stars of the Week :

Emeralds & Amethysts: Oliver & Ivy
Rubies and Sapphires: Jason & Henry
Diamonds: Philip

Value of the Month

Responsibility



Sports Stars of the Week

Emeralds & Amethysts: Isla & Kasee
Rubies and Sapphires: Freya & Pearl
Diamonds: Mia-Jade

Children's Learning

It has been wonderful to see all of the children's learning this week. In Diamonds Class the children have continued to try hard in their phonics lessons and they have learnt the new sounds e, u, r and h. They have also started to learn the key words 'to' and 'the'. In their Maths lessons this week they have been counting different amounts of objects and matching them to the correct number. They have also been learning how to write the numbers 1, 2 and 3 correctly. In their topic work they have learnt all about their bodies and how to take care of them by brushing their teeth and eating healthy food. In Key Stage One the children have continued with their work on non-chronological reports in their English lessons. They have been exploring the features of non-chronological reports and writing their own titles, captions and labels. In their DT lesson this week the children have designed their own fabric faces and have labelled the materials that they will use to decorate them with such as buttons, sequins, wool and thread. In Key Stage Two this week the children have been working on adding two four-digit numbers together. To be able to do this they have been recording their working out using the column method. In their English lessons the children have been continuing their work on the story of the BFG. They have been writing a letter to the queen in the story making sure that they use the correct features such as addresses, dates and speech marks. As part of their topic work they have continued to learn all about The Stone Age. They are looking forward to Stone Age Day next week.

Harvest Festival Thank you

Thank you very much to all of our parents and carers for attending our Harvest Festival at the village hall on Thursday afternoon. The children and staff have been very busy preparing all of the songs and poems for you over the last few weeks and we hope that you enjoyed it. On behalf of the Salvation Army Foodbank in Luton we also wanted to say a huge thank you for the very generous food donations. They were very gratefully received and will go to helping people and families in the local area. Again, thank you so much for supporting such a great cause.

Halloween Dress Up

In order to celebrate Halloween on Tuesday 31st October we would like to invite the children to dress up in Halloween costumes if they would like to. Dressing up is not compulsory and if they choose not to wear a Halloween costume the children can come into school in non-school uniform. The children will be able to stay in their costumes for the whole day although please ensure that they have suitable footwear and a coat for outside play. We also ask for the children not to wear face paint. We look forward to seeing the children's costumes if they choose to dress up.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening is taking place next week on **Wednesday 18th October 2023**. Please ensure you arrive in plenty of time as the teachers are on a strict time schedule to make sure they can see everyone in one evening and are limited to just 10 minutes per child.

Please enter the school via the Year 3/4 classroom where you can look at your child's books and school work. You will then be collected from the classroom by your child's teacher.

Faith Tour – Year 3&4

Children in Year 3&4 will be attending the Faith Tour on **Wednesday next week**. Please ensure consent forms are completed as without these your child cannot attend. Reminders have been sent to those who still need to complete this.

- Please ensure your child arrives at school by **8.45am** as the coach will be leaving at 9am prompt!
- Remember to bring a vegetarian packed lunch
- Headscarves are required for everyone, alternatively a plain beany style hat will be ok.

KS1 Multi-Skills Festival

Children in Year 1&2 will be attending a Sports Festival at Parkfields Middle School on **Wednesday next week**. Please ensure consent forms are completed as without these your child cannot attend. Reminders have been sent to those who still need to complete this. The children will be back at school in time to eat their lunch as normal. They will need to take a water bottle with them and come to school in their PE kits.

Unfortunately, spectators are not allowed at Parkfields Middle School, as the competition is taking place during the school day.

Great Fire of London Day – Year 1&2

Message from Miss Muller: On **Tuesday 17th October** we are having a special day for our topic this half term – The Great Fire of London. We will be doing lots of different activities, such as becoming bakers from Pudding Lane and baking bread, acting out events from the Great Fire of London, making Tudor houses and having a go at writing with a 'quill and ink'. You do not need to send anything in with your child for this day or dress up as we will be making our own props for roleplaying. If you have any large boxes that we could turn into Tudor houses we would be grateful for them.

If you have any questions, please come and speak to us before or after school.

Stone Age Day – Year 3&4

To complete their topic KS2 will be having a “Stone Age” day on **Thursday 19th October**. They will be experiencing life as it was during the Stone Age and taking part in many different activities, including cooking, eating, building shelters, creating spears and hunting. They will be inside and OUTSIDE so please send coats and appropriate shoes to go in the Nature Reserve in the afternoon.

The children are welcome to come to school dressed in clothes from that time. The school has a few costumes if you would like to borrow one please let Miss Mudd know. Otherwise the children could wear something from home eg. anything that has animal print, a pillow case with a rope round it, or an adult’s t shirt with a belt. Please do not feel you have to buy a costume.

Junk Modelling

To help with classroom activities we are looking for spare boxes ie cereal boxes, egg boxes, shoe boxes, any small food boxes, toilet rolls etc. Also any glass jars with lids, ie. Jam jars, sauce jars etc. Please can these be brought to school next week. Thank you!

Photographs by Imago

Imago have extended the deadline to order your child’s school photo until **Monday 16th October 2023**. You will have received cards with your login details, please let us know if you have any problems or you can contact Imago directly.

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- Quote the **Safeword: CLSNBT*W23**, along with your school name & your **child’s full name & form**.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 17th October – Year 1&2 Great Fire of London Day

Wednesday 18th October – Year 1&2 Multi-skills sports festival

Wednesday 18th October – Year 3&4 Faith Tour

Wednesday 18th October – Parents Evening

Thursday 19th October – Year 3&4 Stone Age Day! (more details to follow)

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October – Half Term – **School Closed**

Tuesday 31st October – Optional Halloween dress up

Friday 24th November – Training Day – **School Closed**

Yours sincerely



Miss Natalie Bill - Headteacher