



# Chilton Community Primary School Newsletter



May 2023

*Dear Parents & Carers*

What a busy half term, it has flown by! I have been extremely proud of our children this half term because I have seen how hard they have been working and we have received lots of compliments. The Year 6 class deserve a special congratulations on completing their SATs tests. Other schools reported frustrated, tearful children. Our children worked hard, were determined and gave the tests their all, with not a tear in sight. I think this was due to the hard work of the staff in preparing the class and of course, the children for their determination to do their best. Whatever the results bring in July, I am proud of their resilience and know that they have the skills they need to do well in the future.

The new clarinet teacher Mr Taber also paid our children a compliment. He was very impressed with the musical talent in the class and how hard the children had worked so far this year. The Get Suffolk Reading team, who have been working with Year 3 families and children said that our children were amongst the most eager to learn they had seen.

I hope you all have a safe and happy half term break.

Mrs Carr

## Household Support Fund Discretionary Grant Vouchers

Vouchers will be issued to pupils in receipt of free school meals over half term. You will receive the code by email to redeem for £15 per eligible child on Monday 29th May 2023. These vouchers are intended to free up some of the money you would spend on food to assist with other household bills.

## Foodbank Referrals

If you need a foodbank referral please talk to Mrs Carr or Mrs Gaffney.

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## Cost of Living Support

Suffolk County Council have issued a useful document detailing support on offer to Suffolk residents. <https://suffolk.pagetiger.com/cost-of-living-support/scc1?ptia=n>

## Uniform

A reminder that we have our uniform bank in the Portacabin. There is lots of uniform available including PE kits, footwear and warm coats. If you have any donations of uniform, please bring them to the school office. We also have lots of lost property too, please remember to name your child's clothes. This way they can more easily be reunited

## Warmer Weather

Now the weather is starting to become warmer, it is especially important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. Please apply sunscreen before school. Don't forget a coat each day - it often rains in summer!

## School Transport

If you receive Suffolk County Council funded school travel in the 2022-2023 school year, you can now apply to renew this travel for the 2023-2024 school year.

*Please ensure that a transport start date from September 2023 is added to the form.*  
**Opt-in deadline: 31 May 2023**

## Changes to the School Day

In line with new DfE regulations we are required to extend our school day in order to provide 32.5 hours of contact time. From September school will start at 8:40am and finish at 3:10pm. The school doors will be opened at 8:35am. Children arriving after 8:40am will be marked as late. Registers will close at 8:55am. If a pupil arrives at school after the registers have closed without an approved reason, we have to record this as an unauthorised absence. Breakfast Club will still be available from 8:00am and afterschool club until 5:00pm.

## In memory of Nuel-Junior

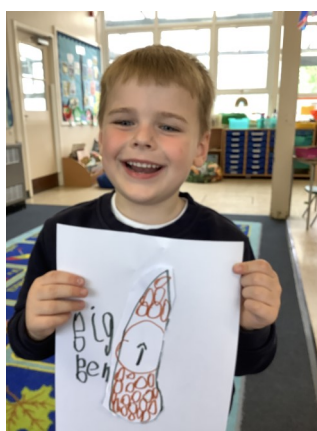
Hopefully the wildflower seeds the Year 5 class planted in memory of Nuel-Junior will begin to grow in the warm weather. We hope to have a mini wildflower garden in the corner of the front field by the trees. We are planning a sponsored event to be held soon to raise money in Nuel-Junior's memory, more news to come.

## Reception

In our week all about London the children in Early Years drew their own famous landmarks, can you spot Big Ben and The Gherkin?

In maths in Early Years we have been learning about numbers beyond 10. We picked a number, counted the pom-poms carefully and added them to the Numicon pieces. We then told our adult what the number was and how it was made, for example 16 is 10 and 6 more.

In Early Years we made some portraits using fruit and vegetables when we were learning about Guiseppe Arcimboldo.



## Year 1

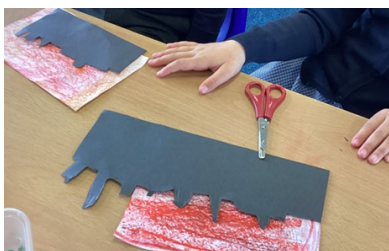
Children in year 1 enjoyed a rather chilly visit to The Food Museum. The trip was part of our science learning about animals. Everyone really enjoyed seeing the lambs and the peacocks. We have continued to revisit this learning throughout the half term in order to embed our learning about the different types of animals.





## Year 2

Year 2 completed their topic of The Great Fire of London by drawing a landscape with the fire raging. Miss Goble, Mrs Trott and Mrs Blair have been very impressed with their knowledge and understanding of the events and why it happened. Well done, Year 2!



## Year 3

Over the past week, Get Suffolk Reading have been in school each morning to work with Year 3. With the aid of some parents, the children made a bookmark with googly eyes and shared in a story: 'The Real Story of the Three Little Pigs'. They also heard about the importance that reading has on our lives. The best bit? They each were able to choose a book to go home with! It seemed like Michael Morpurgo and Ricky Gervais were the most popular!



## Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed a farm discovery day at Helmingham Hall Estate this week. Children learnt where food comes from by exploring the Estate and the crops and vegetables grown there.





## Year 5

Year 5 are taking part in Jubilant! an Arts Festival for children in Stowmarket. This year, pupils are creating futuristic school dinners and have sampled cricket cookies and orange and passionfruit worms! The festival runs from 7-14 June at locations around Stowmarket. Children who have completed their Jubilant! passport will be able to enter a free prize draw to win Regal Cinema tickets, Food Museum passes, toys, artwork & more.

Passports are available from the school office.



## Year 6

Year 6 completed their SATs this half term and we are all extremely proud of their efforts and attitude to the tests.

Afterwards as a reward we held the Year 6 Great Bake Off, where the children had to write and follow the instructions to make their very own Victoria sponge cake... without any help from the adults. We think they did a great job and the children said they tasted fantastic! We even made some gluten free buns!



## Whole School Dates

Half term— Monday 29th May-Friday 2nd June 2023

Disco—Friday 30th June 2023

Sports Day—Friday 14th July 2023

Last day of term for pupils-Wednesday 19th July 2023

PD Days-Thursday 20th July & Friday 21st July 2023

**A full list of next year's term dates can be found on our website in virtual office and calendar**