

THE WEEK AT Chesterton

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of term is only a few days away! Please remember that the last day of term is Wednesday 20th December. School will finish at 2:00pm and there will be no after school care on that day.

We have had a fantastic week. We have enjoyed two concerts from Years 3-6. They were both fantastic. We also had appearances from our children who are learning the steel pans and guitar. The choir also sang and I can see why the adults at the care home were so thrilled with their visit from our wonderful singers.

We have also had our termly Heyday

film screening this week. As always the film was fantastic and we were very proud of all the children who took part.

A huge thank you to our Parent Community group who organised the fantastic fair yesterday. It was a great success. Thank you also to all the families who came and supported the school. There are still a few items on sale at the end of the day for each class- so don't miss out!!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Miss Smith, Head of School

Spotlight on School Council

I am Sadaq and I am in 3C. I joined School Council because I want to help people around the world and around our school. I hope that I can make the school a better place.



Diary

15 December

- KS2 Music Concert

18 December

- Winter Disco R-6

19 Christmas

- R-Y2 Christmas Production

20 December

- Class parties
- School finishes at 2pm
- Nursery Concert

3 January

- Term Starts - Back to School

5 January

- Topic Launches, whole school

8 January

- Yr6 Boosters Start

Attendance

Ensuring that your child is in school, on time, every day is the most important commitment we ask of all parents. As a school we are aiming for at least 96.2% attendance and as of this week our total for this current year is **96.4%**

Class	Weeks Attendance
RM	95.2%
RB	93.2%
1T	94%
1R	95.9%
2M	97.4%
2I	96.3%
3C	98%
3S	96.9%
4F	96%
4H	97%
5S	98.1%
5J	98.2%
6R	95%
6M	98.6%

Festive Fair

Thank you everyone who attended the Festive Fair yesterday! We raised a huge amount of money for the children and had a wonderful time whilst doing so! A special thank you to our wonderful Parent Community reps who worked extremely hard to run the event- your hard work is very appreciated!



BT Sports Private film screening for the docu-film 'No Hunger In Paradise'

BT Sport Films has announced the next instalment in its series examining football's academy system and exploring youth development from the grassroots to the international stage. The film, No Hunger in Paradise, is based on the book by award-winning author, broadcaster and journalist Michael Calvin, and features the likes of Arsene Wenger, Gareth Southgate and Steven Gerrard.

With only half of one per cent of boys who enter academies at the age of nine going on to make a living from the game, the film addresses why so

many fail to make an impact at the country's top clubs. No Hunger in Paradise looks at those players who have found success, and shares the stories of those who haven't been as lucky.

The likes of Joey Barton and Les Reed, Southampton's technical director, also feature, alongside Chelsea's nine year-old prospect Ezra Tika Lemba, who is just beginning his footballing journey. Simon Green, head of BT Sport, said: "It appears that it has never been harder for young players to progress to elite levels of the game. No Hunger in Paradise explores



the pathways for young players to the top, hearing from those involved at local community centres and youth talent scouts, as well as taking a look at some of the most elite academies in the country."

No Hunger in Paradise will premiere during FA Cup Third Round weekend of January 5 to 8, 2018.

Heyday Fest 2017

We are very proud of Sander, Luka, Omari, John, Mason, Adam, Michael, Owen and Mohamed who took their Heyday film to the British Film Institute on Thursday as part of the 12 week project. The children have learnt to act, use a camera and edit. In addition, they have improved their resilience, confidence and team working skills. Omari bravely stood up front of 140 people and introduced the film alongside Luka who stood with him for moral support.



Chesterton Children's Centre Christmas Party!

Bring and share meal!
All donations greatly appreciated!

3 years old and under all welcome!

Visit Santa's Grotto!

12pm - 2pm

Music, Dancing, Games and more!

Try your luck at winning a great prize in the raffle!
Free entry to all who attend!

Tuesday 19th December 2017




Musical Moment of the week

This week, KS2 performed an array of songs and instrumental numbers in their Christmas concerts. Well done to Year 3 and 4 who produced some lovely singing whilst they have been busy with all their other musical projects this term! Congratulations also to Year 5 and 6 who showcased their musical talents including an amazing Steel Pan ensemble and Guitar group. Well done to all our soloists who sang beautifully - and some even in Latin! Finally, thank you to all the adults who came along to support and we hope we left you in the festive mood.

#OUTRIGHT

Year 5 have been working on the Outright Campaign with UNICEF. They have been learning about child refugees living in the UK who have been separated from their families. They have been looking at what children's rights refugee children are not able to enjoy (UNCRC Article #10, #24, #19, #16) while they are trying to find a safe place to live. We will be writing to our local MP as well as the Home Secretary to try and use our voices to make change.

OUTRIGHT
Speak out on children's rights

UNICEF UK OUTRIGHT 2017

has been awarded Unicef UK's Outright 2017 certificate.

Unicef UK recognises your commitment, passion and hard work on the Outright campaign to promote and protect the rights of refugee children. Thank you for speaking out in support of children's rights.

Frances Bestley
Programme Director
Rights Respecting Schools Award

Kate Dentish
Campaigns Manager

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Alone at Home

We have been approached by a production company who are making a new series for channel 4. They are looking for families with children aged 8+ to take part. If you are interested in finding out more, please see Miss Goodwin in the office for more information.

Come along to our new

Play-n-Learn

12-24 months

09.30-11.30am

Session every Tuesday at Chesterton Children's Centre

This session is designed to support communication and language skills for toddlers.



Science Museum

This week Year 5 visited the Science Museum to finish off their topic learning about space. They saw lots of exciting space displays and even watched a 3D IMAX film. Well done for everyone for being role models on our outing.



and the **WINNERS** are...

Chesterton English

Well done to Kseniya in 4H for winning this week's English skills challenge! The next challenge will now be next term so keep your eyes peeled in 2018!

Miss Meyer

YR1 King's and Queen's

At the end of last week the children in year 1 have been celebrating their learning of their topic 'Kings and Queens'. They have become experts throughout the year comparing the monarchs Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth II, looking at different palaces and castles features. Designing umbrellas, dragons and sandwiches both practically and on the iPads. They have worked really hard this term and have shown all our school values and have even made up rules for the day in which they rule the Kingdom. So to celebrate their achievement the children came into school dressed as Kings, Princes, Queens, Princess, Knights and even dragons. We changed the year 1 class rooms into the Banquet hall and the ballroom to celebrate.



Top Table

The following children have earned a place at the Top Table this week:

- RB – Mia**– For eating her lunch and lining up nicely
- RM – Teagan**– For lovely table manners
- 1T – Aaliyah**– lovely manners & for being a great example to her peers
- 1R - Zandrae**– for being polite and having lovely manners
- 2M – Aliyah & Miley**– for being polite, eats well & following the lunch time rules
- 2I – Ayoub**– for eating all his lunch & having lovely manners
- 2I – Lindsay**– for being a great example to her peers
- 3C – Imoh**– for eating well & following the lunch time rules
- 3S – Wisam**– always being well behaved
- 4F – Cody** – for eating well & having great manners
- 4H – Cruz** – has a smile for everyone and is so polite
- 5J - Jazaine**– for a great improvement in his behaviour in the lunch hall—well done
- 5S - Martina**—for being a ray of sunshine in the lunch hall
- 6M – Ataul**– for being a polite young man
- 6R - Amina**– Helping in the dinner hall

South West London Train to Teach Event

Thursday 22nd February 2018 from 5.30pm-7.30pm

Do you have a degree?

Do you want a profession that is rewarding and challenging?

If so, then why not train to become a Primary or Secondary school teacher in a South West London School?

To find out more about the different routes into teaching and meet current trainees, pre-register today:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/south-west-london-train-to-teach-event-tickets-40899275835>

You will get the opportunity to meet initial teacher training experts from:

- Grey Court Alliance
- Kingston School Direct Alliance
- Lampton LWA SCITT
- Merton Special (School) Teaching Alliance
- Richmond Primary Teaching Schools Alliance
- Roehampton University
- St Mary's University
- Southfields Teaching School Alliance
- Teach Wimbledon
- Valley Teaching School Alliance
- Wandle Teaching School Alliance
- Wandsworth Primary School's Consortium (SCITT)
- Wimbledon Teach
- More to be confirmed...

Chestnut Grove Academy, 45 Chestnut Grove, Balham, London SW12 8JZ

• British Rail: Balham • Underground: Balham • Buses: 155, 249, 315 and 355 •

Basic Skills Challenges with Andrew and Ataul!



The winners of the Maths Challenge this week are: Congratulations Zahra (5J) and Elliot who have both won the maths challenge this week!

Class of the Week Yr5

For outstanding behaviour at the Science Museum & being great role models—you made us all proud!

Yr3

For amazing singing through the term and especially in the final performance at Burntwood School!