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All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

Message from the Headteacher - Mrs. Nanette Wragg



Dear Chilwell Families,

Many thanks to all families for their support with home reading. It is noticeable that more children have returned determined to read regularly. This is fabulous to see as this good habit is the way to unlock all learning.

We have just started the school year and already our Year 6 pupils are considering their secondary school destinations. Families must ensure that online applications are completed by 31st October. Office staff are available on Thursday 19th September at 9am for support with this.

I am incredibly proud that 33 of our Year 5 pupils sat and have passed their LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) in examspeech and communication. Not just passed but excelled with Merits and Distinction. Many thanks to our partner Centrestage for their support with this.

Asda have launched a cashpot for school campaign. Chilwell Croft is a registered school. We receive 0.5% of your shop spend if you link our school. Please consider supporting us in this way.

Finally, the school photographer will be here on Thursday 19th September. Please ensure pupils are in full uniform and are prompt to school (as ever) that day.

With thanks as ever,

Mrs. N Wragg
Headteacher
M.Ed, NPQH, EYPS

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Tues 17 th Sept	Aston Manor Open Evening - 4.30 pm till 7 pm
Thurs 19 th Sept	School Photographer will be in for Individual Photos - All Pupils
Wed 25 th Sept	Go Ape - Year 6
Thurs 24 th Oct	Last day of Half Term - School to Finish at 3.30 pm
Fri 25 th Oct	Inset Day - School Closed for all Children
Mon 4 th Nov	Children Back from Half Term Holidays - 8.40am Start
Mon 4 th Nov - Fri 8 th Nov	Year 6 Swimming - Pop Up Pool
Fri 8 th Dec	Inset Day - School Closed for all Children
Wed 11 th Dec	REC/Yr 1/Yr 2 - Onsite Theatre Performance
Fri 20 th Dec	Last day of Half Term - School to Finish at 1.30 pm
Mon 6 th Jan	Inset Day - School Closed for all Children
Tues 7 th Jan	Children Back from Christmas Holidays - 8.40am Start
Fri 14 th Feb	Last day of Half Term - School to Finish at 3.30 pm
Mon 24 th Feb	Children Back from Half Term Holidays - 8.40am Start
Mon 17 th Mar	REC - Ash End Farm Trip
Thurs 10 th Apr	Last day of Half Term - School to Finish at 1.30 pm
Fri 11 th Apr	Inset Day - School Closed for all Children
Mon 28 th Apr	Children Back from Easter Holidays - 8.40am Start
Wed 30 th Apr	Yr 1 - Botanical Garden Trip



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Weekly Attendance

Terrific Tigers	
Lucky Lions	
Dazzling Dolphins	90.90%
Fantastic Flamingos	93.30%
Legendary Leopards	75.00%
Pleasant Pandas	95.40%
Perfect Parrots	87.90%
Proud Penguins	90.00%
Fabulous Foxes	95.70%
Learning Lemurs	76.70%
Kind-hearted Kangaroos	91.70%
Shrewd Shrews	96.70%
Charming Cheetahs	89.80%
Powerful Panthers	95.80%



Thank you to all who are working hard to achieve our 97% target. We can only do this if we all work together.

Our grand total attendance this half term is:
90.20%

Attendance Competition!

Will you win the bike this term?



Top Class Attendance

- 1st Shrews - 96.70%
- 2nd Panthers - 95.80%
- 3rd Foxes - 95.70%

CONGRATULATIONS



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Year 1

This week the children have been learning how to add a capital letter and full stop in their sentences as well as learning what a noun and adjective is. For maths they have learned that objects can be organised by colour, shape, size etc. The children have also enjoyed learning about the artist Samson Bakare and have enjoyed drawing some of his paintings.



Year 2

In Maths, Year Two have been using their math's skills to match pictures to its name and numerals. In life education, children drew a portrait of themselves and wrote promises they made around their portrait.



School Photographer

Please can parents ensure children come in wearing their full school uniform as we will be having the photographer come in on the 19th September for individual photos.



LAMDA Exam

We are thrilled that thirty-three of our Yr 5 pupils passed their LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) exams with merits and distinctions. An excellent achievement!"



LAMDA



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Mayors Blast

Fun day of cricket activities for 8-12 years old.
 The activities will be held on the main County ground at Edgbaston Stadium.
 Parents/guardians are welcome to stay and watch in the stands.
 N.B Lunch is **NOT** included. Please ensure children have pack lunch with them.

<https://forms.gle/sVF6TiA6xVh5sYBSA>

Warwickshire
Cricket Foundation



Aston Manor Open Evening

Aston Manor will be having their open evening on Tuesday 17th September 2024 from 4.30 pm till 7 pm.

This will be a great opportunity where you and your child can come and have a look around the school and speak to some amazing teachers.

Year 7 Application

We will be offering support to parents with their child/ren Year 7 application.
 If you like to do your own application, please click on the link below:
https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20119/school_admissions/1778/apply_for_a_second_or_your_school_year_7_place/3

- Next application support session:
Thursday 19th September 24 at 9 am



TT Rockstars - Weekly Winner

- 1st Pleasant Pandas
- 2nd Powerful Panthers
- 3rd Shrewd Shrews



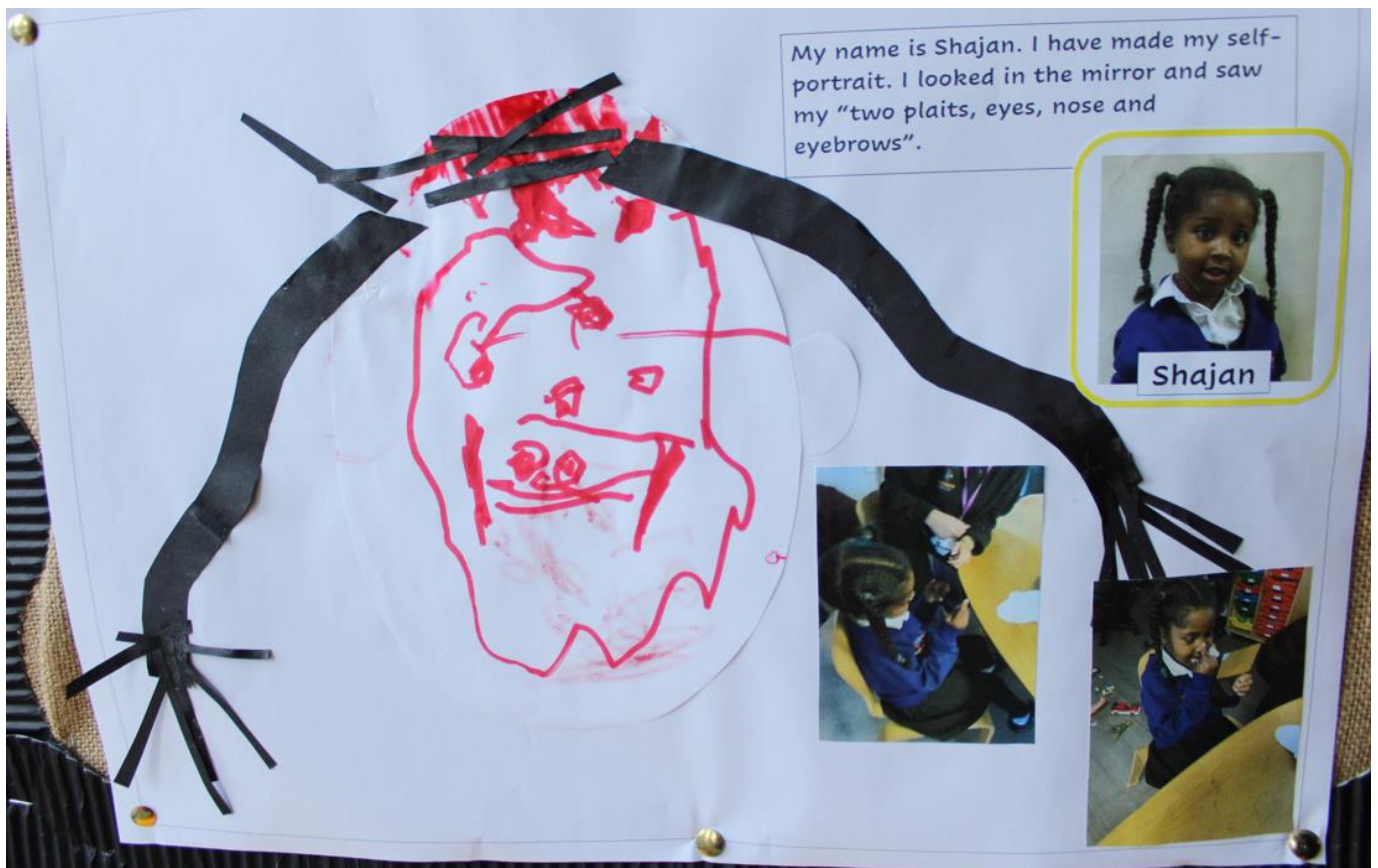


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Pupils Work of the Week

Shajan from Busy Bees has drawn a self portrait and described what she can see using a mirror.

Amazing work Shajan!





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What's in Chilwell Crofts Planner?

Values

Each month in school we will focus on one of our key values to consider how we can build our character together to make our school, community and beyond a better place to be.

September - Aspiration

October - Respect

November - Peace

December - Kindness

January - Positivity

February - Love

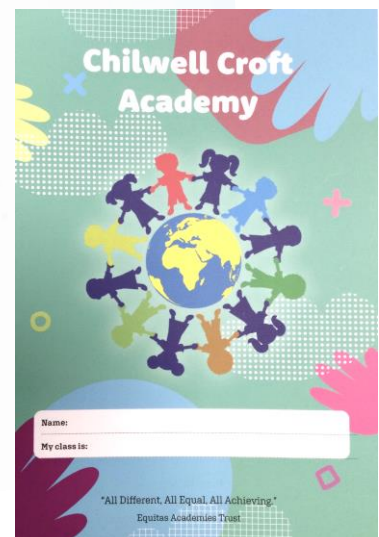
March - Honesty

April - Creativity

May - Determination

June - Teamwork

July - Growing





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1

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2

Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com

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3

Asda does the rest

The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.

Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.





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PARENT WORKSHOP



ESOL Registration/ Enrolment



Tuesday 17th September 2024
9am – 11am.
6 week course
Refreshments available





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Playdough

Why we love it in Early Years

Benefits of playdough

- Builds up the muscles in the hands ready for children to write
- Helps with hand eye coordination
- Can calm some children down if they are upset or angry
- Children can be creative with playdough and use their imagination



Playdough Recipe

1 cup of flour
½ cup of salt
2 tablespoons cream of tartar
1 tablespoon of oil
1 cup of boiling water
Food colouring

In the bowl add the flour, salt and cream of tartar and mix
Add the oil
Add food colouring to the water and add to the bowl
Mix well.

Once cool wrap the playdough in plastic and store at room temperature.



What could I do with playdough

Dough disco – put some music on and let your child squeeze and roll the play dough

Practice using a knife and fork or scissors and cut up the play dough in to small pieces.

Leaf printing – Find a leaf. Roll out the play dough and gently press the leaf on to the playdough. The leaf should leave a print on the playdough.



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Parent / Carer

Autism & Good Sleep Workshop



Tuesday 17th September 2024

10:30am - 12:30am

@ BAYC, 581 Pershore Road, Birmingham, B29 7EL



To book onto the workshop please
[CLICK HERE](#) or scan the QR Code above

The Autism & Good Sleep Workshop

This workshop is aimed at parents/carers of children and young people to sleep educate and offer some ideas and strategies to try to help improve sleep at home

Run by Kelly Reed
Resources for Autism
Behaviour Manager West Midlands

Limited onsite parking, but free road parking
and 45 & 47 Bus stops nearby

for further information please email
kelly@resourcesforautism.org.uk
Kelly Bumpas
Family Support Coordinator





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(term time only)
10.15 - 11.00
at
Lozells Methodist Church & Community Centre
Gerrard Street B19 2AH



Free 

Fitness Pilates

Ladies Only



TUESDAYS (term time only)
10.15 - 11.00
Lozells Methodist Church & Community Centre B19 2AH

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- Make new friends
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- Chat

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MONDAYS
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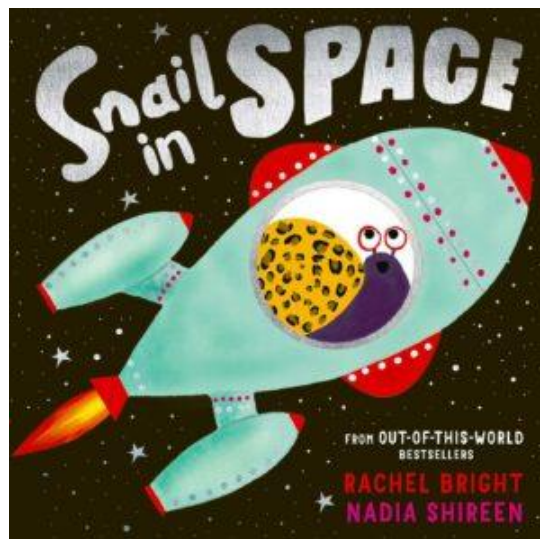
SNAIL IN SPACE

RACHEL BRIGHT & NADIA SHIREEN
WEEKLY BOOK REVIEW – MR GIBLEN

Gail is determined to get more out of life than the other snails. She's not content with keeping her foot on the ground, eating greens and growing old; she's not your average snail, she wants to blaze a different trail. This snail wants to go into space! Accomplishing her ambition will take perseverance and hard work, overcoming last-minute hurdles, but, as Gail shows, if you have a dream anything is possible.

Bold, bright illustrations complement this humorous, rhyming story from two skilled picture book creators, about the power of purpose and persistence, showing that resilience is key to success.

Gail is an endearing snail, standing out from the rest with her leopard print shell. Her character is brought vividly to life with her emotions and thoughts conveyed solely through the illustrations of her eyes, providing a masterclass in how important it is to read the pictures as well as the words. Featuring a sparkling, inviting cover, this is ideal for sharing with Early Years and KS1 children to enjoy and encourage self-belief.





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Road Safety

Did you know every 16 minutes someone is killed or seriously injured on UK roads. Please drive safely on Summer Lane and do not park on double yellow lines to ensure the safety of our children.

A school crossing patrol officer will be available to assist parents/children crossing summer lane.

ROAD SAFETY

<p>THINK</p> <p>about where you should cross.</p> 	<p>STOP</p> <p>in a safe place at the side of the road.</p> 	<p>USE YOUR EYES & EARS</p> <p>to see and hear any approaching vehicles.</p> 
<p>WAIT</p> <p>until all the vehicles have passed.</p> 	<p>LOOK AND LISTEN</p> <p>again to make sure all is clear.</p> 	<p>CROSS</p> <p>the road. Keep looking and listening.</p> 



Read Write Inc.

Read Write Inc (RWI) is a phonics-based programme which helps children learn to read whilst also developing a wide range of vocabulary and encouraging a love of stories.

Below are some useful links which you can use to support your children at home:

Ruth Miskin Parents' Page:

<http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/>

Ruth Miskin Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/miskineducation>

Free e-books for home reading:


<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/Reading/>

YouTube: [Ruth Miskin Training - YouTube](#)

Phonics

Here is the sound of the week:

ar



start the car



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CCA Term Dates 24/25

AUTUMN TERM 2024

Term Starts: Wednesday 4 September 2024
 Half-term: Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024
 Term ends: Friday 20 December 2024
 Inset Day: Friday 25 October 2024

SPRING TERM 2025

Term Starts: Monday 6 January 2025
 Half-term: Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025
 Term ends: Friday 11 April 2025
 Inset Day: Monday 6th January 2025

SUMMER TERM 2025

Term Starts: Monday 28 April 2025
 Half-term: Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025
 Term Ends: Friday 18 July 2025
 Inset Day: Friday 11th April 2025, Friday 13th June 2025
 Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is a paid club which you can book your child/ren into. Please contact the school office if you would like your child to attend. Club starts 7.30 am until 8.40 am

Daily Rate:

One Child	50p
One Family	£1

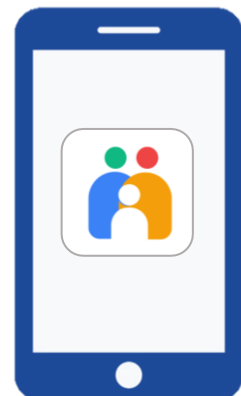
Afterschool Clubs

We also have afterschool clubs available which run from Monday to Thursday. Clubs are released before we break up for the term. Spaces are given on a first come first served basis.



MCAS

MCAS (My Child At School) is an app which the school uses to communicate with parents. The app can be used by parents to pay for school trips, pay for your child's school dinners or book your child in breakfast club/wraparound provision. It is important that all parents have signed up on the app and have it ready for use for the upcoming half term. If you require extra support, please contact or visit the school office.





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Autumn 1 PE Dates

Please find below the PE days for school. Children will need to come into school wearing their PE kit, which is the following:

- PE Kit - Yellow t-shirt, black jogging bottoms/shorts/leggings and black trainers.

Reception

Monday 9th September
Monday 23rd September
Monday 7th October
Monday 21st October

Year 1 - Every Thursday

Year 2 - Every Monday

Year 3 - Every Wednesday

Year 4 - Every Thursday

Year 5 - Every Thursday

Year 6

Wednesday 12th September
Wednesday 26th September
Wednesday 10th October
Wednesday 24th October



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Wraparound Provision

Wraparound provision is a paid service where children can stay afterschool and participate in a variety of different fun activities. Such as board games, sporting activities, and art and crafts.

These services need to be paid in advance.

The service includes a snack break.

Time	Day	Price
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	£4.00 per session
3:30 - 5:00 pm	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	£5.50 per session
4:30 - 5:00 pm (Post club attendance)	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	£1.50 per session
2:00 - 4:30 pm	Tuesday	£7.00 per session
2:00 - 5:00 pm	Tuesday	£8.50 per session
3:00 - 3:30 pm (Post club attendance)	Tuesday	£1.50 per session
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Tuesday	£4.00 per session
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Tuesday	£5.50 per session



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School Uniform

All students wear the same uniform, helping to level out the playing field and promote equality among the students.

If you are having trouble purchasing the correct uniform, please get in contact with the school office and we will be happy to support you.

PE Kit

It is important the P.E kit is seen as an extension of our school uniform; therefore our high standards should be kept.

JUMPER/CARDIGAN



Jumper
School Uniform



Cardigan
School Uniform

BOTTOM



Black Trousers
School Uniform



Jogging Bottoms
PE Kit



Black Shorts
PE Kit

SHOES/BAG



School Uniform



PE Kit

Children can wear any of the following items below:

POLO-SHIRTS



White Polo Shirt
School Uniform



Yellow Polo Shirt
PE Kit

DRESS/SKIRT



Black Skirt
School Uniform



Purple Summer
School Uniform

Hijab



Purple



Black

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- ✘ NO TRACKSUIT BOTTOM OR JEANS ✘ NO LEGGINGS/JEGGINGS ✘ No Jewellery
- ✘ NO HOOPED EARRING – ONLY STUDDED EARRINGS ✘ NO HOODIES/ANIMATED SWEATER



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Reading to Your Child

It might seem like everything has gone digital, but books still play a very important part in school life. As well as giving your child a head start, developing a love for reading.

- Make book and stories part of everyday life
- Building a reading story into a routine e.g. a story at bedtime
- Stick your feet up and let your child see you reading a book
- Go to the library so your child can choose some books to borrow for free
- Read in fun places e.g. a den made from blankets
- Give books as a birthday gift - this will show you value them
- Keep books in your bag or the car.



Reading Diary Expectations

"Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment everyday not only perform better in reading tests than those who don't, but also develop broader vocabulary, increase general knowledge and better understanding of other cultures

In fact, reading for pleasure is more likely to determine whether a child does well at school than their social or economic background" (Pearson, 2021)

Here at Chilwell Croft, we place a high importance on daily reading, each child is provided with a reading diary and books to take home. we ask that the reading records are signed off daily and brought into school where they will be collected in, checked and signed off by an adult. This is a non-negotiable expectation.

Week Beginning: _____

Activity

Monday

Family Signature _____

Activity

Tuesday

Family Signature _____

Activity

Wednesday

Family Signature _____

Activity

Thursday

Family Signature _____

Activity

Friday

Family Signature _____

Activity

Saturday

Family Signature _____

Activity

Sunday

Family Signature _____



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Holiday Request

Parents are required, under the Education Act (1996) to ensure children attend school regularly. The Headteacher of a school has a discretionary power to authorise absence only in exceptional circumstances. **A family holiday is not an exceptional circumstance.** If you complete a leave of absence request form and the request is declined, (as it will be in the majority of cases) and you still take your child out of school, each parent within the household will potentially be issued with a £60 penalty notice for **each** child you have taken out of school.

How We Can Help:

We understand that there are times when it is more difficult to encourage pupils to attend school. There is much that we can do together in partnership to improve attendance. Please contact school to arrange a time to chat with our pastoral team. We can talk through the strategies and support that we can give to make things better. Working together will ensure that your child is supported. Please pop into the school reception, chat to staff on the playground, or talk to a teacher at the end of day.

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME

Leave in Term Time

Please note government guidance has changes regarding attendance. All requests for in term time leave must have an appointment with our senior leadership team.