



All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

# Headteacher’s Message

Mrs. Nanette Wragg



Dear Chilwell Families,

It’s great to be back! I hope you’ve enjoyed a restful break and were able to make the most of the sunshine. As ever, the children have been a delight on their return, ready to learn and happy to be back within the school community.

Could I ask that families check our return to school dates, either here in the newsletter or via the school website, to ensure that pupils are attending each day we are open.

Our Year One pupils enjoyed a fantastic visit to the Botanical Gardens this week. They were beyond excited when I spoke to them before they headed off, and even more chatty on their return; though many were much more tired! In addition to the Science learning that took place, they also built their vocabulary substantially. It was a pleasure to observe the Flamingos in their PE lesson yesterday. They were so determined to master their ball skills; they were brilliant!

Thank you to the Year 6 students who attended our Easter school booster sessions. Their attendance and commitment, as ever, were excellent. Ms Hayles said they were a pleasure to teach. Not long to go now, Year 6! The Year 6 team tells me that you are ready to go and put all your hard work into practice. We are ready—we know you are too!

Please remember the May Bank Holiday on Monday, 5th May. We shall see you all on Tuesday, 6th May. That gives us all another day to read!

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## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday – School Closed for All Pupils
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> May	REC Parent Celebration Assembly in the Main Hall at 2.50 pm- Selected Students
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Mental Health Awareness Assembly – All Shrews Parents Are Welcome To Attend at 2.50 pm
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs Year 6 will have a breakfast in school each day during SATS
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> May	World Fairtrade Day Assembly – All Kangaroos Parents Are Welcome To Attend at 2.50 pm
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Girls Inner City Football Tournament – Selected Year 5/6 Children
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Parliament Trip – Selected Year 6 Students
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Last Day of Term – School Finishes at 3.30pm
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	Children Back from Break – 8.40am Start
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	Girls Inner City Football Tournament – Selected Year 5/6 Children
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Titan Olympics – Selected Year 5 Children
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Birmingham Open Media Head Quarters Visit – Selected Year 6 Students
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Inset Day – School Closed for All Children
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Inner City Football Tournament – Selected KS1 Children
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Dudley Zoo – Year 2
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Debating Grand Fina; at King Edwards – Selected Year 6 Children
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Mixed Inner City Talented League – Selected Year 5/6 Children



## Weekly Attendance



 Tigers 89.00%	Lions 97.00%	Dolphins 98.00%	Flamingos 98.00%	Leopards 100% 	Pandas 99.00%	Parrots 95.00%
Penguins 99.00%	Foxes 92.00%	Lemurs 92.00%	Kangaroos 97.00%	Shrews 96.00%	Cheetahs 91.00%	Panthers 98.00%

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 term is: 95.80%

**Almost There**

### Attendance Competition!

Will you win the bike this term?



### Top Class Attendance

1<sup>st</sup> Leopards - 100%  
2<sup>nd</sup> Pandas & Penguins - 98%  
3<sup>rd</sup> Dolphins & Flamingos & Panthers - 98%

**CONGRATULATIONS**

## CHILWELL CROFT'S ZUMBA CLASS



**TUESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
★ **TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
**TUESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**9 AM - 10 AM**  
**MAIN HALL - PLEASE ENTER VIA THE PEDESTRIAN GATE**

**PLEASE WEAR TRAINERS AND KINDLY NOTE THAT CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED**





# Chilwell Chronicle

## Botanical Gardens

Year 1 had the opportunity to visit Botanica Gardens on Wednesday and had an amazing time there. The children took part in a plant workshop where they learnt about different parts of a plant. The children also had a wildflower hunt, picnic and lovely time in their play area to end the day.



## Awesome Alligators

This week, Awesome Alligator children explored non-chronological reports, learning the difference between fiction and non-fiction and key features of report writing. They discovered fascinating facts about hedgehogs and expanded their vocabulary. With a bit more research, they'll soon be ready to write their own Alligator reports!



## Curious Cats

This week in maths, we are working on addition using number lines. In English, we are focusing on character description, including oral descriptions, drawing and labelling a character, and writing key vocabulary from the book *Augustus Lost His Smile*.



## Busy Bees

The Busy Bees have been enjoying the sunshine, learning about plants, and exploring nature. They also had fun with water sensory play, splashing and discovering different textures and temperatures.



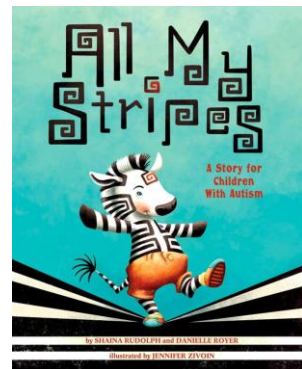
Our value this month is Determination



## Book Review

### All My Stripes by Shaina Rudolph & Danielle Royer

All My Stripes introduces young readers to Zane, a zebra who feels different from his classmates due to his autism stripe. After a challenging day at school, Zane's mother helps him recognize that his autism stripe is just one of many unique qualities that make him special. Through this heartwarming story, the book encourages children to embrace their differences and fosters understanding among peers.



### Student of the Week

Samir from Busy Bees has done an excellent job in phonics, especially with sound pronunciation, and has worked extremely hard in counting during maths. Amazing work, Samir!



### CCA Planner

Have a read of page 80 and learn some fun facts about 2D shapes.



### Phonics

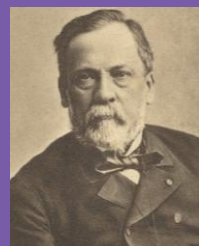
Here is the sound of the week:



### Scientist of the Week – Louis Pasteur

Well known for his groundbreaking work in microbiology and immunology, including the development of pasteurization, the creation of vaccines for diseases like anthrax and rabies, and the establishment of the germ theory of disease.

Scan the QR code to discover more fun facts.





# CCA Photo Gallery





## Summer 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.

**DISCLAIMER:** Dates may occasionally change, and while we will try to notify families in advance, this may not always be possible.

Reception – Every Monday

Year 1 – Every Thursday

Year 2

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Year 3

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Year 4

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Year 5 –

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Year 6

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May