



All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

Headteacher's Message

Mrs. Nanette Wragg



Dear Chilwell Families,

I had the pleasure of visiting some of our phonics lessons this week around school. It is always a great part of the day to watch our staff teach and spend time with the pupils. Our phonics lessons are fast-paced activities filled with opportunities for pupils to build their reading skills.

On Wednesday 14th May, we are welcoming our Year 1 parents to learn more about this important part of their children's learning. All Year 1 pupils nationally will be taking their phonics test in June. Staff are working hard with our pupils so that they can really shine in this assessment. We look forward to seeing many Year 1 parents on Wednesday to share how you too can help with this.

For our Year 6 pupils, a key milestone in their educational journey is happening next week. All of our eldest pupils will be sitting subject tests each day. We understand that this can be daunting. We look forward to welcoming them in early to relax together and enjoy a hearty breakfast with us. They are more than ready. Their progress has been fabulous; achieved through determination and a brilliant attitude to learning. We are incredibly proud of them; we are sure you are too!

Children will need lots of good energy and focus, so please encourage early bedtimes (no devices!), plenty of water, and some relaxation at home. It's an incredibly tiring week for them! Have a lovely weekend, take care.

Mrs. N Wragg
Headteacher
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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Mon 12 th – Thurs 15 th May	Year 6 SATs Year 6 will have a breakfast in school each day during SATS
Wed 14 th May	Year 1 Phonics Screening Parent Assembly at 2.30 pm in Main Hall
Wed 14 th May	Year 1 Parent Celebration Assembly – Selected Year 1 Students At 2.50 pm in Main Hall
Thurs 15 th May	Year 4 Parent Celebration Assembly – Selected Year 4 Students at 2.50 pm in Main Hall
Tues 20 th May	Girls Inner City Football Tournament – Selected Year 5/6 Children
Wed 21 st May	Westminster Abbey Trip – Selected Year 5/6 Students – Early Start (5.30 am)
Thurs 22 nd May	Year 5/6 Parent Celebration Assembly – Selected Year 5/6 Students at 2.50 pm in Main Hall
Fri 23 rd May	Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park – Year 3
Fri 23 rd May	Last Day of Half Term – School Finishes at 3.30pm
Mon 2 nd Jun	Children Back from Break – 8.40am Start
Tues 3 rd Jun	Girls Inner City Football Tournament – Selected Year 5/6 Children
Wed 4 th Jun	Titan Olympics – Selected Year 5 Children
Thurs 5 th Jun	Birmingham Open Media Head Quarters Visit – Selected Year 6 Students
Fri 6 th Jun	Year 4 Trip – Think Tank Museum
Fri 13 th Jun	Inset Day – School Closed for All Children
Mon 16 th Jun	World Fairtrade Day Assembly – All Kangaroos Parents Are Welcome To Attend at 2.50 pm
Tues 17 th Jun	Inner City Football Tournament – Selected KS1 Children
Wed 18 th Jun	Dudley Zoo – Year 2
Fri 20 th Jun	Twycross Zoo – Year 5
Mon 23 rd Jun	Mental Health Awareness Assembly – All Shrews Parents Are Welcome To Attend at 2.50 pm
Wed 2 nd Jul	Secondary School Transition Day – Year 6 Pupils
Fri 4 th Jul	Debating Grand Final at King Edwards – Selected Year 6 Children
Tues 8 th 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 93.00%	Kangaroos 97.00%	Shrews 95.00%	Cheetahs 92.00%	Panthers 97.00%

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: 95.70%

Almost There

Attendance Competition!

Will you win the bike this term?



Top Class Attendance

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

CONGRATULATIONS

CHILWELL CROFT'S ZUMBA CLASS



TUESDAY 29TH APRIL
TUESDAY 6TH APRIL
★ TUESDAY 20TH APRIL

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

PLEASE WEAR TRAINERS AND KINDLY NOTE THAT CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED

There will be no Zumba class during the week beginning 12th May.



Chilwell Chronicle

Kitchen – Eating Healthy

Every day, our dedicated school kitchen team works hard to prepare fresh and healthy meals for our students. Using high-quality ingredients, they create balanced menus that support both nutrition and taste.

From freshly chopped vegetables to homemade sauces, everything is made on-site to ensure our children receive the best possible meals to fuel their learning and play. Eating healthily is especially important for growing children, as it supports their physical development, concentration, and overall well-being throughout the school day.



Year 5 Pupils Grammar School

The grammar school registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for a place at any of the grammar schools in Birmingham/West Midlands (entry to Year 7 in September 2026).

Registration can be made online by visiting the website below. The closing date for registering is 4pm on 27th June 2025. The test will take place on 13th September 2025.

www.westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk

SATs

Next week is SATs week, and we will be offering a positive startons for all Year 6 children from **Monday to Friday**, starting at **8:00 am** each day. These sessions will provide a calm and supportive start to the day, helping children feel settled and ready to do their best. We encourage all Year 6 pupils to attend. Parents can support their children during SATs week by ensuring they get plenty of rest, eat a healthy breakfast, and feel encouraged without pressure. A positive mindset and reassurance from home can make a big difference!



VE Day

Thursday 8th May 2025 saw the observance of the 80th Anniversary of VE Day here at Chilwell Croft Academy.

Across school we listened to the historic recording of the speech made by Prime Minister Winston Churchill, back in May 1945 and the two minutes silence was observed by our older pupils.

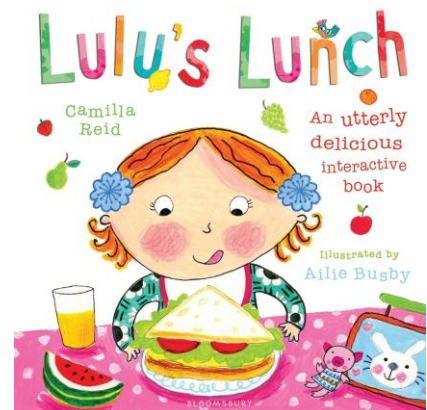




Book Review

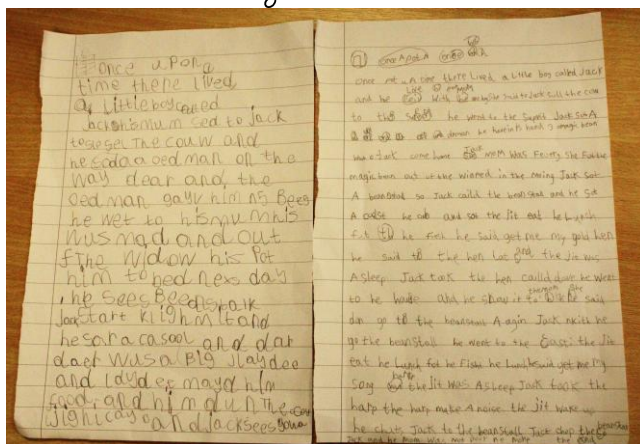
Lulu's Lunch By Camila Reid

Lulu's Lunch is a delightful and interactive board book that introduces toddlers to the joys of mealtime through the relatable character of Lulu. With lift-the-flap elements and colourful, engaging illustrations, the book encourages young children to explore different foods and textures in a fun, playful way. Lulu's curiosity and enthusiasm promote a positive attitude toward trying new foods, making it especially helpful for picky eaters or children learning about mealtime routines.



Student of the Week

Ramla and Mohamed Abdul Halim from Year 1 Flamingos have done an excellent job writing a story about a boy named Jack.
Amazing work children!



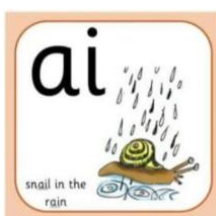
CCA Planner

Have a read of page 82 and page 83 where you can learn some fun facts about the UK.



Phonics

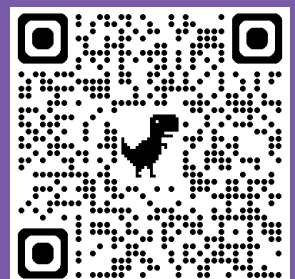
Here is the sound of the week:



Scientist of the Week – Dorothy Hodgkin

A Nobel Prize-winning English chemist who advanced the technique of X-ray crystallography to determine the structure of biomolecules.

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 1st May
Monday 5th May
Thursday 15th May
Monday 19th May

Year 3

Tuesday 29th April
Wednesday 7th May
Tuesday 13th May
Wednesday 21st May

Year 4

Wednesday 30th April
Thursday 8th May
Wednesday 14th May
Thursday 22nd May

Year 5 –

Thursday 1st May
Thursday 15th May

Year 6

Wednesday 30th April
Wednesday 14th May