



All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

# Headteacher's Message

Mrs. Nanette Wragg



#### Dear Chilwell Families,

We are most definitely now into Autumn term; week 5 already! The mornings are a little darker and the weather is definitely more autumnal! Thank you to all families who are ensuring that our pupils come to school ready for the colder, wetter weather. Please ensure coats are labelled so that we can return them to their owners.

Our Year 6 children took part in a Shakespeare trip to Stratford Upon Avon this week along with their Year 6 Teachers. During the course of the day, they were trained by coaches to become Shakespeare guides and were then tasked in providing information to the public about important historical venues in the town. The Shakespeare Trust advised our staff that Chilwell Croft pupils were the best pupils they had worked with! High praise indeed. They commented on how superbly and quickly the pupils learnt the factual information, how clear they were in their speeches and how confident and friendly they were to visitors. It is aways a pleasure to hear comments such as these; we know you too will be proud of them!

Thank you to all families who ensure their children are in classes ready to learn promptly. Our first hour of the day is dedicated to reading, in all classes, including phonics lessons for many students. This is critical learning for all pupils and cannot be learnt later in the day if missed.

Last week staff held a MacMillan coffee morning and raised £126.00 for this fabulous charity. A special mention to Mr Wright's wife who donated a beautiful home made gateau, just lovely.!

P.S. Brilliant green attendance for all classes, well done everyone!

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











Tues 14th Apr

#### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 4 Book Fair at 9am		
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Aston Villa Football Tournament – Selected Students from Year 5/6		
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	King Edwards Basketball Tournament – Selected Students from Year 5/6		
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 5 Book Fair at 9am		
Tues 21st Oct	Year 6 Book Fair at 9am		
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Last Day of Half Term - 3.30 pm Finish		
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children		
Fri 31st Oct	Year 7 Application Deadline		
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	All Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start		
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Now	Year 5 & Year 6 Parent Celebration Assembly – Selected Students		
Wed 5th Nov	Black Country, Museum – Year 1		
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year I & Year 2 Parent Celebration Assembly – Selected Students		
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Black Country Museum - Year I		
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Noc	Year 3 & Year 4 Parent Celebration Assembly – Selected Students		
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children		
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of Half Term - 1.30 pm Finish		
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children		
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children		
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	All Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start		
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Last Day of Half Term - 3.30 pm Finish		
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start		
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 6 Residential – Condover Hall		
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Last day of Half Term - 1.30 pm Finish		
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children		

Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start



# Weekly Attendance



	Tigers	Lions	Dolphins	Flamingos	Pandas	Leopards	Penguins
(a)	99%	97%	97%	96%	98%	99%	99%
	Parrots	Lemurs	Foxes	Shrews	angaroos	Cheetahs	Panthers
	98%	99%	95%	98%	97%	97%	97%

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: 97.90%



## Top Class Attendance

1st Tigers & Leopards & Penguins & Lemurs - 99% 2<sup>nd</sup> Pandas & Parrots & Shrews - 98% 3<sup>rd</sup> Lions & Kangaroos & Cheetahs & Panthers - 98%





You are invited to attend a free book fair with your child on the

Each child can choose two free books to take home, along with

Please ensure your child attends registration as normal at 8:40am, before you join them for the book fair.

the book fair will be followed by an internet safety workshop (9.30am) for the selected year group on that day.



## Chilwell Chronicle

## Year 5

This week in Writing, we have been working on setting descriptions, focusing on bringing a jungle scene to life. Students explored the use of literary devices such as metaphors, similes, and personification, while also incorporating sensory language to create vivid imagery. In Maths, we have been learning about rounding numbers, using mental strategies, and practising addition and subtraction with 4-digit numbers.



## Shakespeare Centre

This week, our Year 6 pupils visited Stratfordupon-Avon and became guides for the Shakespeare Trust. After learning about Shakespeare's life, they confidently shared their knowledge with the public — and truly impressed!

Visitors praised them as articulate, confident, and charming, with the Trust calling them the best guides they've ever had. To top it off, some pupils performed excerpts from a Shakespeare play, delivering fabulous performances.

We couldn't be prouder!



### Boccia

Selected children from Key Stage 2 had the exciting opportunity to attend a Boccia tournament, where they competed against pupils from other local schools. The event provided a fantastic chance for the children to showcase their teamwork, focus, and sportsmanship. Throughout the day, they played with great enthusiasm and determination, representing their school with pride.



## Bedtime Routine

To establish a consistent bedtime routine, start by creating a simple, relaxing sequence of activities done in the same order each night—like a warm bath, dimming the lights, and reading a quiet story. Avoid screens for at least an hour before bed and keep TVs and tablets out of the room. Anticipate possible bedtime challenges by planning and consider using a reward chart to encourage cooperation with tasks like toothbrushing. Help your child recognize signs of tiredness, such as yawning or rubbing their eyes, by talking to them about how sleep helps them feel better. For more guidance, visit CBeebies Parenting.



#### Healthy sleep













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# Student of the Week

Fayad impressed us in Maths this week by confidently using mental strategies to solve problems.

Amazing Work, Fayad!



#### CCA Planner

On Page 65, Year 2 have a look at how many common exception words you can recognise.



#### Phonics

Here is the sound of the weeki

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## Value Of The Month: Respect



## The Girl Who Stole An Elephant Nirzana Farook

The Girl Who Stole an Elephant is a thrilling and fast-paced adventure story set in a lush, vibrant jungle inspired by Sri Lanka. The protagonist, Chaya, is a bold and rebellious girl who steals from the rich to help the poor in her village. But when she takes things a step too far—stealing the Queen's jewels—she sets off a chain of events that lead to danger, betrayal, and an unforgettable escape into the jungle with her friends... and yes, an elephant.



## Scientist of the Week — Mary Anning

Well known for her discoveries in Jurassic marine fossil beds.

Scan the QR code to discover more fun facts.











# 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.

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 2

Thursday 11th September
Friday 19th September
Thursday 25th September
Friday 3rd October
Thursday 9th October
Friday 17th October
Thursday 23rd October

#### Year 4

Thursday 11th September Wednesday 17th September Thursday 25th September Wednesday 1st October Thursday 9th October Wednesday 15th October Thursday 23rd October

#### Year 6

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October

#### Year 1

Friday 12th September Wednesday 17th September Friday 26th September Wednesday 1st October Friday 10th October Wednesday 15th October Friday 24th October

#### Year 3

Wednesday 10th September Friday 19th September Wednesday 24th September Friday 3rd October Wednesday 8th October Friday 17th October Wednesday 22rd October

#### Year 5 - Every Monday Plus

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September Thursday 2<sup>rd</sup> October Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October