



All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

Headteacher's Message

Mrs. Nanette Wragg



Dear Chilwell Families,

Although it is a little chilly we have returned to school for the beginning of our summer term. As ever pupils have come back fizzing with enthusiasm and ready to learn.

On Monday school welcomed our NACE (National Association for Able Children in Education) consultant into school to develop staff's understanding of challenge and aspiration for all pupils. It was a thought-provoking day with all staff gaining further strategies to support our pupils.

Plans have been afoot for a number of months at school to transform our main hall into an inspirational space for the community. It was fabulous to unveil the new 'Grand Hall' to everyone this week, complete with its cloud ceiling. The children were excited and impressed at how the hall had been 'uplevelled'! I know that many of our pupils are creative and budding designers and they have been fascinated to consider how the transformation has been achieved. Many thanks to our site team Mr Edwards and Mr Dad for their support with this project.

During the Easter break children and staff have been reading books in inspiring, adventurous places for our reading challenge. There is still time to send images in to enquiry@chilwellcroftacademy.com. We have even got pets involved with reading!

Have a lovely weekend and don't forget your reading!

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

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

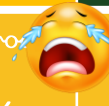
Mon 20 th Apr	Parent Celebration Assembly - REC/Yr 1 Selected Student Only
Tues 21 st Apr	All Pupils Parents Evening - Apts Available on MCAS
Wed 22 nd Apr	Parent Celebration Assembly - Yr 5/Yr 6 Selected Students Only
Fri 24 th Apr	KESSP Football - Selected Students from Yr 3/4
Fri 24 th Apr	KESSP Debating Event - Selected Student from Year 6
Mon 27 th Apr	Parent Celebration Assembly - Yr 2/Yr 3 Selected Student Only
Tues 28 th Apr	Yr 3 Parrots Visit to Gurdwara
Tues 28 th Apr	AVFC Mixed Football - Selected Students from Year 5/6
Wed 29 th Apr	KESSP Netball Tournament - Selected Students from Year 5
Thurs 30 th Apr	Parent Celebration Assembly - Yr 4 Selected Student Only
Mon 4 th May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Tues 5 th May	Yr 3 Penguins Visit to Gurdwara
Thurs 7 th May	Local Elections - School Closed for All Children Apart from Year 6
Mon 11 th - Thurs 14 th May	Year 6 SATs Week - Daily Breakfast in School at 8am
Tues 19 th May	AVFC Mixed Football Tournament - Selected Students from Year 5/6
Wed 20 th May	Carding Mill Valley Trip - Year 4
Thurs 21 st May	Cannon Hill Park Trip - Lions
Fri 22 nd May	Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park Trip - Year 3
Fri 22 nd May	Last Day of Half Term - 3.30 pm Finish
Mon 1 st Jun	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children
Tues 2 nd Jun	Children Back to School - 8.40 am Start
Fri 5 th Jun	Go Ape Trip - Year 5
Mon 8 th Jun - Fri 12 th Jun	Year 1 Phonics Screening - Onsite
Wed 10 th Jun	Dudley Zoo Trip - Year 2
Fri 12 th Jun	Inset Day - School Closed For All Children
Mon 15 th Jun	Cadbury World Trip - Year 1 Dolphins
Fri 19 th Jun	Cadbury World Trip - Year 1 Flamingos
Mon 22 nd Jun	Cannon Hill Park Trip - Tigers





Weekly Attendance

Tigers 91%	Lions 88%	Dolphins 92%	Flamingos 94%	Pandas 93%	Leopards 96%	Penguins 98%
Parrots 88%	Lemurs 94%	Foxes 97%	Shrews 95%	Kangaroos 91%	Cheetahs 94%	Panthers 95%



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:
94.70%

Attendance Competition!

A big well done to Alice who won the scooter last half term for excellent attendance




Top Class Attendance

1st Penguins - 98%
2nd Foxes - 97%
3rd Leopards - 96%

CONGRATULATIONS



PARENT WORKSHOP

Tuesday 14th April -
Spill the tea Occupational Therapist

Tuesday 21st April -
Phonics Screener - Year 1

Tuesday 28th April -
Reading KS2

Tuesday 5th May -
Internet Safety

9 am - 10 am

Main Hall - Please Enter Via the Pedestrian Gate



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Year 3 Gardening Project

Year 3 have been taking part in an exciting gardening project supported by the Aston Villa Foundation, working alongside professional gardeners to help develop our school's forest area. The children are learning about different plants and how to care for them as they transform the space.

They began their project by gathering natural materials like sticks and soil to build the base for their planting area, showing great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout.

It's been wonderful to see them enjoying this hands-on learning experience.



Ash End Farm

Reception enjoyed a wonderful visit to Ash

End Farm, where they met an exciting variety of animals—from playful goats to gentle cows and even had the chance to feed them. The children explored traditional farm roles, joined in with familiar nursery rhymes, and became enthusiastic animal detectives for the day. It was a fantastic hands on learning experience that they won't forget.



NHS – Important Information

Measles cases are rising locally, we encourage all families to ensure their children are fully immunised to help keep our community safe.

About measles: Measles is highly contagious and can be serious, especially for babies, pregnant women, and people with weakened immune systems. The best protection is two doses of the MMRV immunisation.

Symptoms may include: · cold-like symptoms · sore, watery eyes · high fever · a red-brown rash appearing 3-5 days after symptoms begin

If a child develops symptoms: Parents should contact their GP or NHS 111 for advice. They should not attend a medical setting unless instructed.

Immunisation: The MMRV vaccine protects against measles, mumps, rubella and chickenpox. It is safe, effective, free, and available in a pork-free version. Families can check their child's immunisation status in their red book or by contacting their GP.

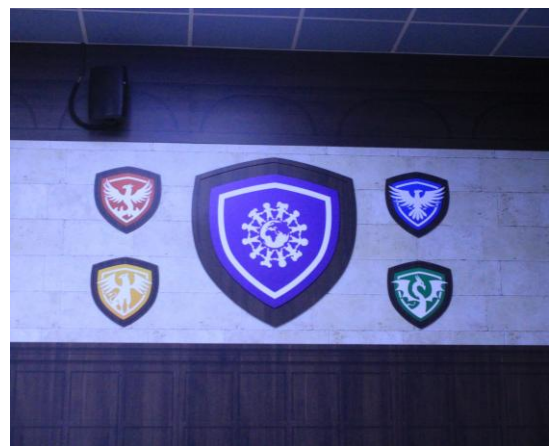
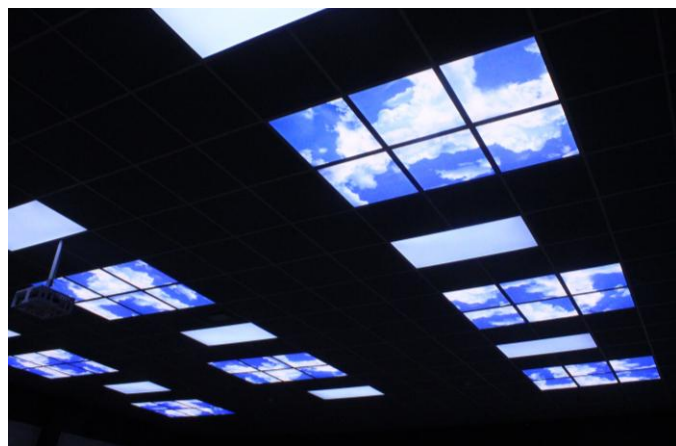




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Grand Hall

During the Easter break, our school has been hard at work transforming the main hall into a brand-new Grand Hall that truly reflects the spirit of our community. The renovation includes a stunning display celebrating our school houses, giving each one a proud place within the space. When the children returned after the break, they were in absolute awe as they stepped inside and saw the Grand Hall for the first time. We look forward to welcoming everyone into the new Grand Hall and sharing this refreshed heart of our school.

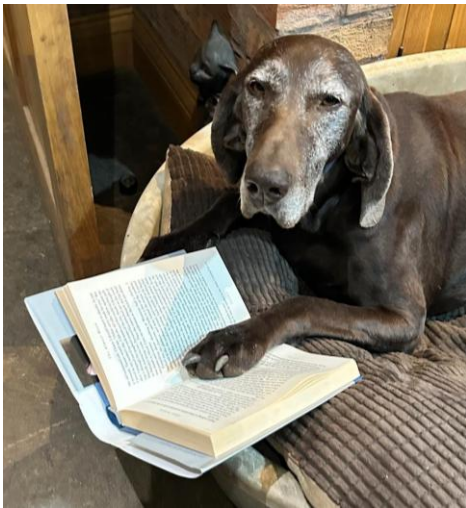
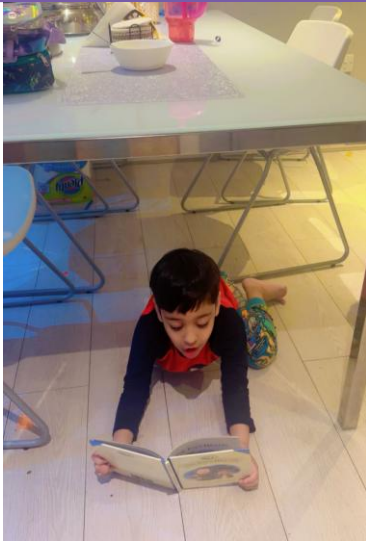




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Read It, Snap It, Share It

Our school has been running a fun reading competition, inviting children to take photos of themselves reading in the weirdest and most wonderful places. We've already received so many brilliant entries, and we want to say a big thank-you to all the parents who have supported their children in taking part. If you'd like to join in, please send your child's photo to enquiry@chilwellcroftacademy.com so we can include them in the competition.





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Science Week

Our students enjoyed an unforgettable experience during the last week of last half term as they stepped inside the Science Dome, a fully immersive digital mobile planetarium that brings science, astronomy, geology, and geography to life. Once inside, pupils were transported into captivating worlds, exploring themes such as Volcanoes, Under the Sea, and Dynamic Earth. Each session offered an exciting, interactive journey that sparked curiosity, wonder, and plenty of enthusiastic questions.

To celebrate Science Week, every year group also took part in hands-on investigations linked to their learning:

Busy Bees explored how plants grow, carefully observing the changes in their own seedlings each day.

Reception learned about important natural processes and even baked bread as they discovered what yeast does during baking.

Year 1 investigated how birds build their nests, experimenting with different materials and techniques.

Year 2 explored the question "How do boats float?" through practical testing and prediction.

Year 3 experimented with paper aeroplanes to find out which design travels the furthest.

Year 4 investigated how lungs work and explored which shapes make the strongest paper towers.

Year 6 carried out a practical investigation to discover which material makes the most effective handkerchief when you have a cold.

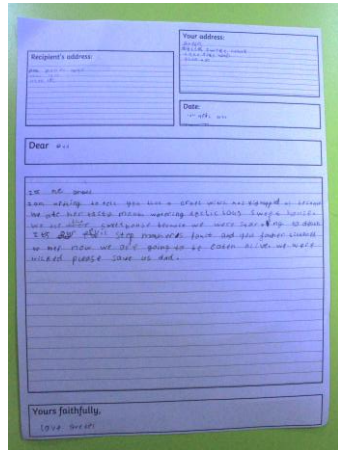
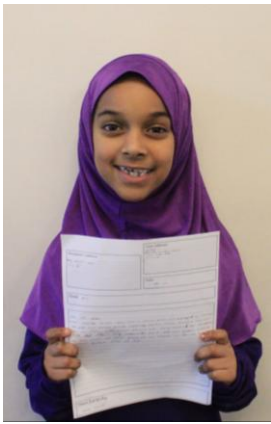
It was a fantastic week filled with discovery, creativity, and scientific thinking across the whole school.





Student of the Week

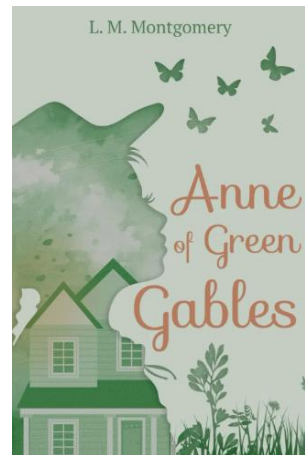
In Writing, Rayan from Year 2 Leopards impressed us with a thoughtful letter written from Gretel to her dad, asking for help after being kidnapped. This work links to Year 2's current text, Hansel and Gretel.



Anne of Green Gables By Lucy Maud Montgomery

I love this book because Anne is not a girl who passively accepts the world around her, but one who challenges it – standing firmly for what she believes is right and embracing self-expression. Even through hardships, she remains true, resilient and determined to fulfil her ambitions.

Rumaysa Yusuf
Yr 6 Charming Cheetahs



CCA Planner

Have a read of Page 4 and look at what you can do in order for your child to surf the web safely.



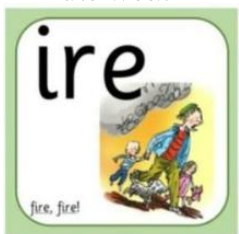
Scientist of the Week - Antonie Van Leeuwenhoek

He revolutionised a technique for creating powerful lenses, which some speculate were able to magnify up to 500 times.

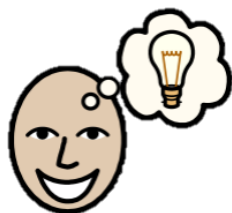


Phonics

Here is the sound of the week!



Value Of The Month: Creativity





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

Wednesday 15th April
Friday 24th April
Wednesday 29th April
Friday 8th May
Wednesday 13th May
Friday 22nd May

Year 3

Friday 17th April
Wednesday 22nd April
Friday 1st May
Wednesday 6th May
Friday 15th May
Wednesday 20th May

Year 5

Thursday 16th April
Thursday 30th April
Thursday 14th May

Year 2

Friday 17th April
Thursday 23rd April
Friday 1st May
Thursday 7th May
Friday 15th May
Thursday 21st May

Year 4

Wednesday 15th April
Friday 17th April (Foxes Class Only)
Thursday 23rd April
Wednesday 29th April
Friday 1st May (Foxes Class Only)
Thursday 7th May
Wednesday 13th May
Friday 15th May (Foxes Class Only)
Thursday 21st May

Year 6

Thursday 16th April
Thursday 30th April
Thursday 14th May