



All Different

All Equal

All Achieving

Headteacher's Message

Mrs. Nanette Wragg



Dear Chilwell Families,

It was wonderful to welcome so many families into school this week to meet with teachers to chat about children's progress. Working in partnership is such a fabulous lever to increasing progress. Thank you also for the many kind comments that you made about our hall make-over; we are pleased that you like it as much as we do!

This year we are launching a school house system. All pupils will be placed in one of our four houses:

- Phoenix
- Concordia
- Themis
- Aquila

These houses will be led by Year 6 captains, who will support school staff in initiating and running house competitions. Information will be forwarded to you this half term with more detail. We will ensure that all siblings will be placed in the same family groups to avoid too much competition at home!

As I write this, we have two teams competing at the debating competition at King Edwards School. This is a high-standard competition that enables our pupils to shine brightly as they create and deliver evidence-based arguments for and against ideas. We are proud of how they represent our school and look forward to hearing how they did.

All pupils this week have received free books to take home. We're delighted to work with the Children's Book Project who support this initiative.

Enjoy the summer weekend ahead, keep reading!

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








DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Mon 27 th Apr	Parent Celebration Assembly - Yr 2/Yr 3 Selected Students 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 Students 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
	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
Thurs 25 th Jun	Air Nation Trip - Panthers
Thurs 26 th Jun	Air Nation Trip - Cheetahs
Fri 17 th Jul	Last day of Half Term - 12.30 pm Finish





Weekly Attendance

Tigers 97% 	Lions 97%	Dolphins 98% 	Flamingos 96%	Pandas 94% 	Leopards 95%	Penguins 95%
Parrots 100% 	Lemurs 99%	Foxes 99%	Shrews 93% 	Kangaroos 94%	Cheetahs 100% 	Panthers 98% 

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:
97.20%



Attendance Competition!

Will you win the scooter this term?



Top Class Attendance

1st Parrots & Cheetahs - 100%
2nd Lemurs & Foxes - 97%
3rd Dolphins & Panthers - 98%

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



Chilwell Chronicle

Year 3

Year 3 enjoyed exploring a range of fruits as part of our science investigation. They considered whether the size of a fruit affects the number or size of its seeds, discovering that larger fruits like apples and avocados tend to have fewer seeds, while smaller fruits such as kiwis contain many tiny seeds. This linked to our learning on seed dispersal, helping pupils understand how seeds are adapted to spread in different ways.



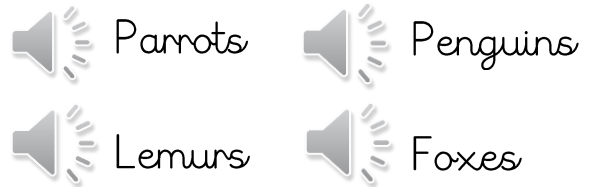
Art

In Art, Year 2 have been studying drawings of trees and having a go at recreating them in their own way. The children have loved experimenting with bright, bold colours to make their trees feel full of life, and the results have been wonderfully creative.



Music

During Shakespeare week, in their music lessons with Mrs. Hewer, Years 3 and 4 learnt a rap based on the text from Shakespeare's play Macbeth. The rap is called Weird Sisters rap and in it the three witches are performing a magical chant in which they predict the future and what will happen to Macbeth. The children enjoyed getting into the role of being evil and magical and, as you can hear in the recordings, performed the chant confidently. They only worked on the rap for one lesson, so we are really proud of the progress they made.



Parents Evening

On Tuesday we held our Parents' Evening, and it was a pleasure welcoming families into school to talk with class teachers about the children's progress. The atmosphere was warm and welcoming, and it was lovely to see how proud the children felt. It was also wonderful to see everyone's reactions to our new Grand Hall. Thank you to all our families for joining us.



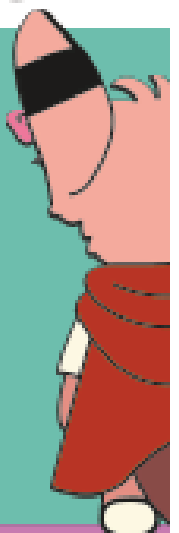
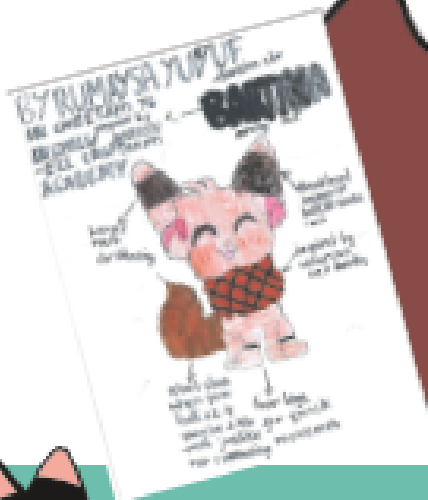
Important Notice

We kindly ask parents to take extra care when dropping off or collecting children at the Summer Lane gates. Recently, the gate has experienced a few glitches caused by people standing too close to it while it opens and closes. Giving the gate a little space helps keep everything running smoothly and safely for everyone.



Introducing Newtown's Mascot

BARTINA THE FOX



Designed by Rumaysa from Chilwell Croft Academy as part of a Design a Mascot competition and illustrated by Professional artist Dua Naveed. The name was inspired by the historic Bartons Arms – a grade II listed building of international acclaim. Bartina's costume was inspired by the Victorian red bricks seen around Newtown and she has a tail that can be different just like our community.

This is part of the Newtown Cultural Placemaking Strategy - which is about putting Newtown on the map and making Newtown a cultural destination.



Scan me!

We would love to hear your feedback and for you to get involved.



Student of the Week

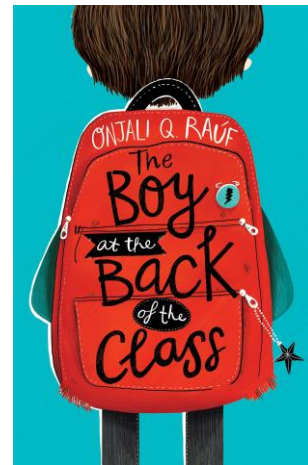
Almahi has been shining in Gymnastics this term, showing excellent form, impressive focus, and a real commitment to improving his skills.
Well done, Almahi!



The Boy at the Back of the Class By Onaji Q Rauf

I highly recommend this book because it is full of drama and surprise. The independent and adventurous characters keep the plot engaging, while the refugee character connects the novel to real world issues and helps the reader understand global events in an emotional way.

Ibrahim Omer
Yr 6 Powerful Panthers



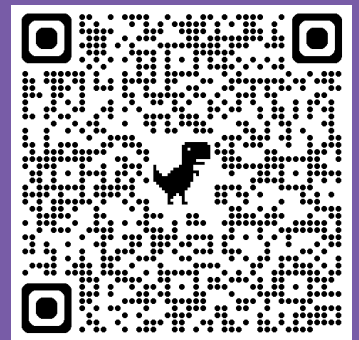
CCA Planner

Have a read of page 5 and set some English and maths targets every half term.



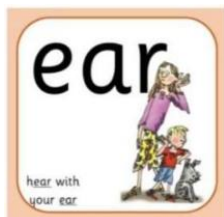
Scientist of the Week – Alice Ball

Was an African American chemist who developed the first effective treatment for leprosy.

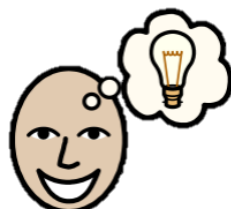


Phonics

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