

Book Week

Well done to everyone for a great Book Week where tales from different cultures were shared and celebrated in all classes and in Nursery.

Thank you to both children and staff who swapped their uniform/work clothes for the day and dressed up as a book character. We had a wonderful variety of different characters and there were some amazing costumes!

Children have been given competition entry sheets to design a book cover and this should be returned no later than **Monday 7th March**.

We hope you've enjoyed the book fair. It continues until Tuesday 8th March, so please come along and help us to earn book rewards for school.



Farewell Mrs Chaudhary

Today, after almost 5 years teaching at Chase Lane, we are saying goodbye to Mrs Chaudhary.

Mrs Chaudhary has worked enthusiastically and diligently for our children in all year groups throughout the school. She is well loved by the children and staff and we all miss her dearly.

As Mrs Chaudhary sets off to pursue a new challenge, we wish her all the very best for the future.

Home Geography Project!

As many of our families live within Chingford Mount, we thought this would be a perfect opportunity for pupils to share their knowledge and understanding of their local area.

It would be lovely for as many families as possible to engage in some Geographical activities which promote their knowledge, skills and understanding of Geography.



Below are a list of activities which pupils may wish to complete:

- A tally or pie chart which represents different modes of transport within Chingford Mount.
- A poster promoting the public to walk or cycle to school.
- Fact files about famous human or physical landmarks identified in Chingford. For example, you could research the answers to the following questions: When was the Chingford Mount war memorial erected? Who visits this landmark? Has the landmark changed over time and how?
- Creating a song, with lyrics which represents your cultural heritage, based on a landmark in Chingford.
- Write a poem about Chingford using your five senses.
- Pictures of animals from a local habitat
- Create a journey stick by collecting objects from your travels around Chingford. E.g. a ticket, a receipt, food packaging.
- Research a place of worship in Chingford.
- A piece of art work which encapsulates a place in Chingford. E.g. a mosaic, sculpture, collage.

Attendance 21st February - 25th February 2022

Congratulations to the following classes for achieving the highest attendance percentage in their Year Groups; over 96%.

Year Group	Class	Attendance %
Year 1	Kapok	98.3%
Year 2	Cedar & Cherry	98.3%
Year 3	Sequoia	97.5%
Year 4	Willow	100%
Year 5	Eucalyptus	98.3%
Year 6	Oak	96.3%



The minimum target for attendance each week as set by the Government is 96%. During the above period our overall school attendance was **96.4%**. Well done to **Willow** class for having **100%** attendance.

Year 5 & 6 Swimming Summer Term

Children in Years 5 & 6 will begin swimming lessons in Summer Term. Year 5 will start on Tuesday 19th April and Year 6 will start week on Monday 16th May. More details will be sent out to Year 5 & 6 parents/carers before the end of this term.



Shrove Tuesday

Every year people celebrate Pancake Day but did you know the day is actually called **Shrove Tuesday**? Do you know the meaning behind this special day?

Here are some facts about Shrove Tuesday.

- Shrove Tuesday is a term used in Ireland, the United Kingdom, Canada, America and Australia for the day before **Ash Wednesday**. Ash Wednesday is the first day of the Christian season of prayer and fasting called Lent.
- The exact date of Shrove Tuesday changes from year to year, but one thing stays the same - it is always 47 days before Easter Sunday. Yes, you guessed, it's always on a Tuesday!
- On Shrove Tuesday, people traditionally cook and eat pancakes. The reason for this was to use up foods such as fat, eggs and milk before Lent.
- Pancakes have become such a popular Shrove Tuesday tradition that on this day, a whopping **52 million eggs** are used in the UK alone!
- In other countries, Shrove Tuesday has different names. In Germany, for example, it's called 'Fastnacht' (meaning 'Eve of the Fast') and in Iceland it's called 'Sprengidagur' (meaning 'Bursting Day')



We hope you enjoyed making and eating some tasty pancakes on **Shrove Tuesday**!

Parent Consultations



Parent Consultations will take the week beginning 28th March.

Reception - Year 6 consultations will take place:
Monday 28th March 3.45pm - 6.15pm
Thursday 31st March 3.45pm - 6.15pm

Nursery consultations will take place:
Monday 28th March 3.45pm - 5.30pm
Tuesday 29th March 3.45pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 30th March 3.45pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 31st March 3.45pm - 5.30pm

Due to the ongoing number of positive COVID cases in children and staff being reported at Chase Lane, we have decided that parent teacher consultations will take place online via Microsoft Teams. Earlier this week a SchoolPing message was sent out for parents/carers to book your slots. The deadline to book your slot is **Wednesday 23rd March**.

Community News



Would you like to be able to speak English with more confidence? Or do you know a friend or family member who would?

Then join a **FREE** English Conversation Club!

Waltham Forest are running free English Conversation Clubs led by trained volunteers where adults can practise speaking English in a relaxed group.

The sessions usually have clubs on different days and in different centres and libraries in Waltham Forest. When those centres are closed, the clubs are run online.

For more details click the link below:

<https://www.lbwfadullearning.co.uk/jobs-courses-training/english-conversation-clubs/>

Waltham Forest News

Click the link below to read the latest Waltham Forest News:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/30caa2a>

Spring Term 2 2022

Spring Term	Tuesday 22nd February 2022 Friday 1st April
End of Spring Term 2	Friday 1st April 2022 - <i>closing one hour earlier</i>
Easter Holidays	Monday 4th April 2022 - Monday 18th April 2022 (includes Easter Monday 18th April)
Summer Term 1	Tuesday 19th April 2022 - Friday 27th May 2022
Half-Term	Monday 30th May 2022—Friday 3rd June 2022
Summer Term 2	Monday 6th June 2022—Thursday 21st July
INSET Day	Monday 4th July 2022 - school closed to children
End of Summer Term	Thursday 21st July 2022 - <i>closing one hour earlier</i>

Joke of the Week

Why do bees have sticky hair?

Because they use honey combs!



St David's Day



On Tuesday 1st March it was St David's Day. The day is celebrated by the people of Wales and people of Welsh background throughout the world.

To mark the day, Welsh people around the world wear one or both of Wales's national emblems - a **daffodil** and a **leek**. Special concerts and parades are also held throughout Wales in St David's honour.

So what's the reason for the leek and or the daffodil?

It is believed the soldiers put leeks on their helmets during a battle with the Saxons. This was so that they could recognise their fellow soldiers! It's also believed that the Battle of Cr  cy took place in a field of leeks.

Daffodils are also used as a national symbol because they come out around the time of St David's Day!

Happy St David's Day to our families of Welsh heritage.

Nursery Spaces for September 2022



If your child was born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, they will be entitled to 15 hours Government funding for Nursery education.

Our Nursery still has a few places remaining for the September 2022 intake, particularly

afternoon sessions.

If you have not already done so, please ensure you complete and submit an application for your child. You may also want to let any friends or family in the Chingford area know, especially if they do not have children in Chase Lane and are unaware of the application process. You can request a Nursery application form by contacting the main school office at chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk or emailing: julie.field@clpwaltham.org.uk

Vocabulary Corner

Exquisite

(pronounced ex-qui-site)

Meaning:

very beautiful; made in a lovely or delicate way

Similar words:

gorgeous , precious , perfect

Example:

The Princess wore the most **exquisite** jewels on her wedding day.



Dinner Menu Week 2 w/c 07/03/2022	Monday (save the planet day)	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Bake (VE)	Chicken & Ginger Stir Fry with Noodles	Chicken Biryani	Oven Roasted Sausages	Fish Fingers (V)
CHOICE 2	Bolognese (V)	Vegetable Puff (V)	Homemade Cheddar & Sweetcorn Slice (V)	Squash and Spinach Curry (VE)	Homemade Falafel Filled Torpedo Roll (VE)
Sides	Wholemeal Spaghetti	Jacket	50/50 Mixed Rice	Creamed Mashed Potato	Oven Baked Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Broccoli Organic Carrots	Cauliflower Garden Peas	Sweetcorn Mixed Vegetables	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Dessert	Organic Fruit Yogurt	Organic Fruit Yogurt	Organic Fruit Yogurt	Organic Fruit Yogurt	Organic Fruit Yogurt
	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit