

# Newsletter 5

## 7th October 2022

### School Photos

The school photographers, Van Cols will be in school on **Monday 10th October** to take individual pupil photos. Please ensure your child/children are dressed in their smartest uniform and arrive to school on time.

Prefects must wear their blazers and ties.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



### Harvest Thank You



Thank you all for your generous food donations to our Harvest Festival. The food items we received were collected yesterday by Chingford Congregational Church who run a local food bank every Tuesday. The items donated will help support our local community.

### School Nurse Drop-In



The Community School Nurse will be holding a drop-in session here in the school meeting room, **2.30pm - 3.30pm on Friday 21st October**.

Parents/carers are welcome to drop by to discuss issues such as bedwetting, weight/height, healthy eating, behaviour etc.

### Black History Month

October is Black History Month. This month the children will be celebrating Black History in all areas of the curriculum.

Have you heard of **John Blanke**?

John Blanke was a royal trumpeter in the courts of Henry VII and Henry VIII, and remains the only black Tudor that can be identified using both written records and a portrait. While serving two kings, he witnessed some of the great moments in England's history and contributed to some of the greatest spectacles of the Tudor age.

When Henry VIII came to the throne, John Blanke asked if he could be paid more. John requested that Henry VIII raise his wages from 8 to 16 pence a day as he felt this was fair pay. John Blanke's request was signed and accepted by the King. Can you find King Henry's signature on the letter?



The large image below shows part of the 'Westminster Tournament Roll', painted in 1511. It was made of 36 animal skins and measures over 18 metres long - the length of a bowling lane! In the centre, is John Blanke.



### Forest School

If your child is taking part in Forest School this half term, please ensure that they have gloves and a warm, waterproof coat as the weather is turning damper and chillier!

Thank you!



### Year 6 After School Boosters



Year 6 after school boosters started yesterday for selected children. Parents of those children are reminded that these boosters will take place at 3.45pm - 4.45pm every Thursday. Children are **not** allowed to walk home alone after boosters and must be collected by an adult. The last booster session for autumn term will take place on Thursday 24th November.

### Friends of Chase Lane PTA Coffee Morning

The Friends of Chase Lane (FoCL) PTA will be hosting a free coffee morning on **Wednesday 12th October at 9.00am - 9.40am**, in the school hall. We warmly invite you to come along for a coffee/tea and cake to find out more on how you can help! We look forward to seeing you all.



### Attendance 26th - 30th September 2022

The following classes for achieving the highest attendance percentage in their Year Groups :- over 96%. The minimum target for attendance each week as set by the Government is 96%.

Year Group	Class	Attendance Percentage
Year 1	Baobab	96%
Year 2	Maple	98%
Year 3	Hawthorn	97.6%
Year 4	Elm	98%
Year 5	Hazel	99.2%
Year 6	Olive	96.6%



During the above period our overall school attendance was 95.2 %.

### Staff Macmillan Coffee Morning



Last week Chase Lane staff held a Macmillan Coffee Morning. A big Thank You to the Learning Support Assistants who organised the event and all the staff that baked delicious treats. Together we raised **£279.58** for a very worthy charity.

### Free School Meals

As the cost of living continues to increase, we urge parents who may be entitled to Free School Meals to apply. It could help you out and also the school could receive extra funding for the children. Please do so even if you want to provide your own packed lunches for your children or if they are in Reception, Year 1 or 2 and are receiving Universal Infant Free School Meals. It's a very simple online form on the Waltham Forest website. Click below for more details and to complete the online form: <https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/apply-free-school-meals>



### Half Term Activities



This half term holiday, why not join us at the Wood Street Library for a special art workshop with author, illustrator and paper engineer, John O'Leary, and be part of the world's biggest community of drawing enthusiasts! This is a **free** event for children aged 5+ but booking is required. Click the link below for more information:

<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/events/half-term-art-workshop-wood-street-library>

## Diary Dates

Any additions/changes to the diary dates are highlighted in purple text

Monday 10th October	Van Cols School Photographer
Wednesday 12th October	Friends of Chase Lane Coffee Morning
Thursday 13th October	3.45pm - 4.45pm Year 6 Boosters
Friday 14th October	9.10am Reception Parents Maths Meeting
Friday 21st October	2.30pm - 3.30pm School Nurse Drop-In
Friday 21st October	Reception Golden Rules Dress-up
<b>Half-Term Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October</b>	
Monday 31st October	School re-opens at 8.45am
Thursday 3rd November	3.45pm - 4.45pm Year 2 Boosters
Friday 4th November	Reception 2023 Parent Tours
Friday 11th November	Reception 2023 Parent Tours
Friday 18th November	Reception 2023 Parent Tours
Thursday 24th November	Last Year 6 Booster
Friday 25th November	<b>INSET Day - School closed</b>
Monday 28th November	Nursery -Year 6 Parent Consultations
Tuesday 29th November	Nursery Consultations
Wednesday 30th November	Nursery Consultations
Thursday 1st November	Reception - Year 6 Parent Consultations
Friday 18th November	School Nurse Drop-In

## English Conversation Clubs

Waltham Forest adult learning service are running English Conversation Clubs at the venues and times listed below. If English is your second language and you would like to improve your spoken English, then why not sign up? They also run online conversation clubs through zoom. For more information email [Conversationclub.als@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:Conversationclub.als@walthamforest.gov.uk) or call 0777 339 0705.

South Chingford Community Library 265 Chingford Mount Road E4 8LP	Thursday	1:30pm - 2:30pm
South Chingford Methodist Church New Road, E4 9EU	Wednesday	1pm - 2pm
Walthamstow Library High Street E17 7JN	Wednesday	9:45 - 11
Wood Street Library I Troubridge Square, E17 3GN	Monday	9am - 10am

## Celebrating Natural Hair

### WORLD AFRO DAY

#### STORYTELLING COMPETITION

Celebrated annually in September to celebrate the Afro hair\*, culture and identity of people of Black and Mixed heritage backgrounds



For the chance to win a £50 Afrochix goody bag, take pictures of your hair and tell us in no more than 2 sides of A4 paper:

- What does your afro hair mean to you?
- What do you love about it?
- Why is it important to celebrate World Afro Day?

Send responses to: [WorldAfroDay@WalthamForest.gov.uk](mailto:WorldAfroDay@WalthamForest.gov.uk)

**Entries close Friday 28 October**

\*Afro hair - Natural Afro, mixed Afro, curly or kinky hair from African descent



## Waltham Forest Resident's News

Click the link below to view the latest Waltham Forest residents' news: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/33031ff>

## Joke of the Week

Q. How do you organize a space party?

A. You Plan-et.



## Vocabulary Corner

**Sustainability** - to try to keep forever

Similar words - maintain, endure and withstand

Simply put, **sustainability** is about small changes we can make to help look after the planet. Making these changes helps protect animals, plants and our natural resources so that future generations will be able to enjoy them.



## WEEK 2 School Dinner Menu for w/b 10th October & 31st October 2022

Week 2	Monday	Save the Planet	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>CHOICE 1</b>	Sri Lankan Sweet Potato & Coconut Curry (ve)	Wholemeal Pasta with Roasted Vegetables in a Roasted Tomato & Pepper Ragu (ve)	Roasted Lemon Chicken	Vegetable Jalfrezi (ve)	MSC Golden Crumb Fish Fingers
<b>CHOICE 2</b>	Jacket Potato (Ve) with Various Fillings	Sizzling Vegetable Stir Fry with Garlic & Ginger served with Noodles	Chapel End Infant School Favourite Smokey Jackfruit Jambalaya (ve)	Oven Roasted Chicken Sausage with Caramelised Onions	Jacket Potato (ve) with Various Fillings
<b>CHOICE 3</b>	Beef Bolognaise	Vegetable Samosa (v)	Homemade Cheddar Cheese & Sweetcorn Quiche (v)	Oven Roasted Vegetable Sausage with Caramelised Onions (V)	Five Bean Burrito (ve)
<b>Sides</b>	Wholemeal Spaghetti Mixed Rice	Mixed Rice	Roasted New Potatoes	Creamed Mashed Potato Mixed Rice	Oven Baked Chips
<b>Vegetables</b>	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Fresh Seasonal Broccoli Organic Carrots	Garden Peas Mixed Vegetables	Sweetcorn Roasted Cauliflower Florets	Baked Beans Grilled Tomatoes
<b>Salads</b>	Salad Selection	Salad Selection	Salad Selection	Salad Selection	Salad Selection
<b>Desserts</b>	Mixed Fruit Crumble (ve) with Custard	Fruity Flapjack (ve)	Fruit Salad (ve) & Ice Cream	Chocolate Cracknel & Custard	Fruit Jelly Pot (ve)
<b>DAILY</b>	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit Salad	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit
<b>DAILY</b>	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit
<b>Bread</b>	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread



A big thank you for all of the entries for the Waltham Forest poetry competition. Below are 3 of our best entries from **Ava in Cedar class**, **Asalya in Cherry class** and **Jannah in Beech class**. Well done to these 3 children and to all of those who took part! We'll keep our fingers crossed that one of our poems is picked when the winners are announced in November!

# The Environment.

We don't like littering  
because it's not very flattering

Other people have to tidy up  
and it's very tiring

So make sure you are recycling  
to make Mother nature clean and green.

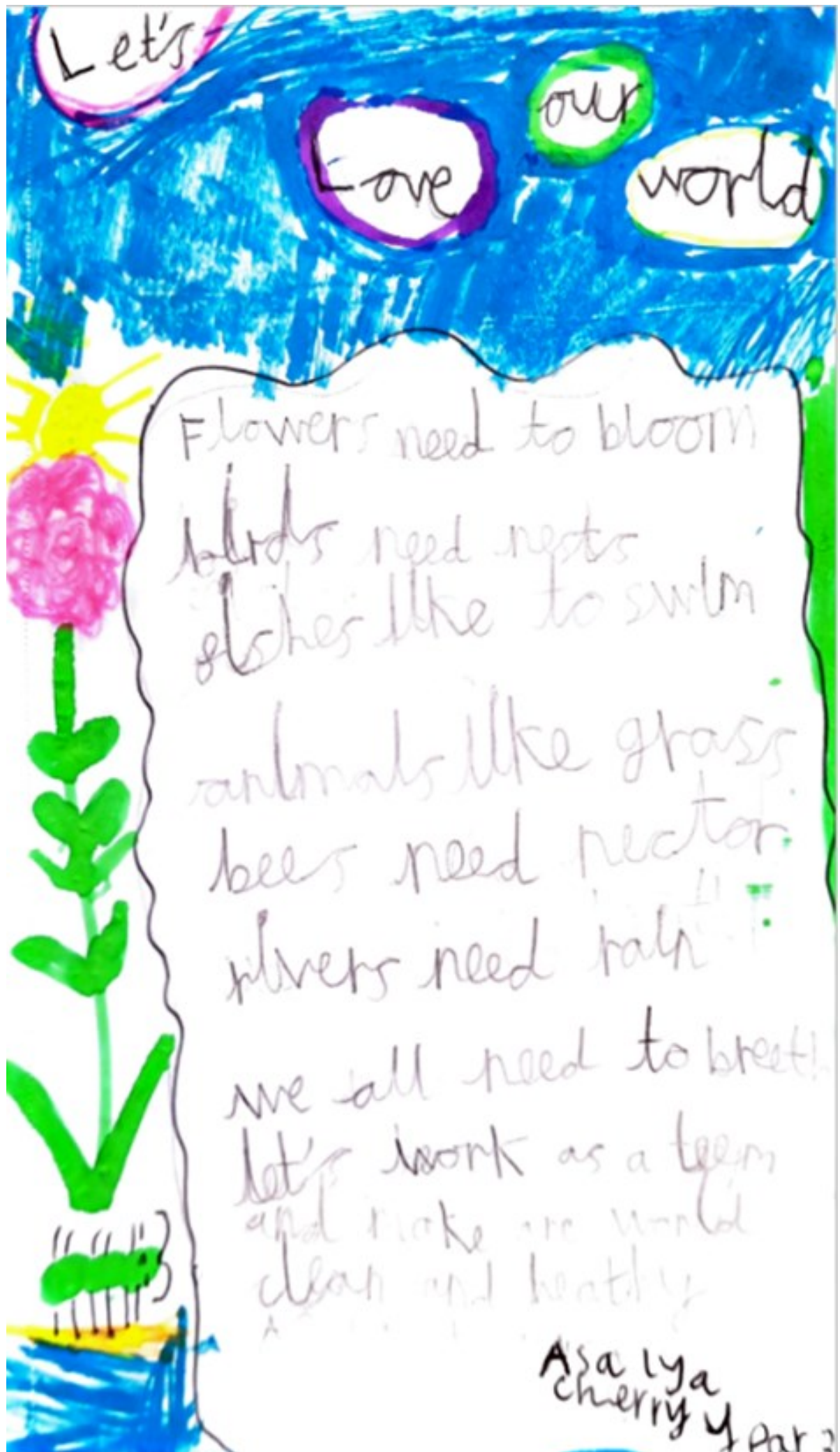
Mother nature doesn't want to be  
dirty and gloomy  
So stop littering and make her day

So I have a solution  
let's all work together to stop pollution!

This will make it a better place  
to live and be safe.

Ava Amissah - cassell aged 7

24<sup>th</sup> september 2022





## Save The World!

The world is bright, it spreads a light.  
My heart loves the world, and you should too.  
You have a big heart, you are smart,  
as you know, nature is creative.  
The world is amazing, the sun is blazing.  
You might think I'm crazy, but hear me out,  
It's like a sprout growing,  
Each time you pick a leaf,  
A bit of everything goes,  
So, let the plants grow.

Litter is bitter, wetter is better,  
Cutting down trees is a no, no!  
Wasting energy is a no, no.  
Before you go, I want to know,  
Are you with me?  
No cutting down trees,|  
So come with me to a better world.

Very smart, you have a big heart,  
Full of, oh my gosh, nature!  
Trees will flow, the wind will blow.  
It's all up to you, to save the world!

Jannah Motin (8 years old)