

### Teachers Strike Wednesday 1st January

Dear parents/carers

#### Strike action Wednesday 1st February 2023

A national strike by the NEU has been called for Wednesday 1st February.

The governing body at the school have carefully assessed the likely impact of this strike action on Chase Lane Primary school. Unfortunately, following this careful assessment and based upon the number of staff likely to be absent from work we have determined that the school will be closed to most pupils on this day.

Unfortunately, parents/carers of most pupils will have to make alternative childcare provision for the Wednesday 1st February 2023. Parents/carers of pupils for whom the school will be open have received a communication from the school.

Whilst this significant inconvenience is outside the control of the governing body, I would nonetheless like to apologise for this.

Mr Jeffery  
Headteacher

Neil Yeomans  
Chair of Governors



### Clubs -Wednesday 1st February

Due to the teacher's strike taking place on Wednesday 1st February, there will be no **Stay & Play**, **Mini Tennis**, or **Football** club on that day. These clubs will resume the following week.

### Art Competition

Dear Children

Last year, many of you took part in a fantastic Art competition within the school! Children used their own imagination and resources to create their own piece of artwork, in their own style. Thank you to all of you who took part!

This year World Art Day is on Saturday the 15th April and we are going to celebrate it! In order to do this, we need your help!

Miss Rhodes is launching a whole school art competition where you, the children, are allowed to create a piece of artwork and bring it into school. This piece needs to be creative thought-out and imaginative, using things from home. There is no specific theme for the artwork, so you can get as creative as you would like!

From Friday 27th of January, you will be able to bring in your artwork to Miss Rhodes. This piece of artwork needs to be created by you and needs to have your name, Year group and class written on the front. **The deadline for the competition is the Friday 17th March.**

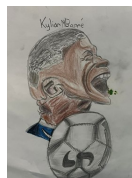
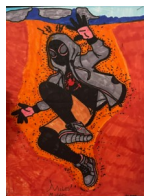
There will be three winners: One from Years 1/2, One from Years 3/4 and One from Years 5/6! The 3 winners will be announced during the week of 17th April. They will receive their prizes and be featured in the newsletter!

Please remember to make sure that you ask an adults permission before creating your piece of artwork!

Good luck to all of those who decide to enter and we really look forward to seeing the fantastic pieces of artwork that you create!

Miss Rhodes  
Art - Subject Leader

**Have a look at these examples from last year!**



### Attendance 16th January - 20th January 2023

Well done to 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 %
Year 2	Kapok	98.8
Year 3	Cedar	99.6
Year 4	Elm	98.8
Year 5	Hazel	99.6
Year 6	Oak	100

Attendance Matters



During the above period our overall school attendance was 96.3%. Well done to **Oak class** for having **100%** attendance.

### Forest School - MUD!



A big thank you to all parents of Year 2 and Year 5 children who have been so patient and understanding when their children have come out of class covered in what we call 'learning' but it looks like mud!

I fully appreciate that this has caused you additional laundry but hope the children's enjoyment of Forest

School, together with the practical and personal skills they are developing has made it worthwhile.

Fingers crossed, better and drier weather is on its way! Thank you again!

Mrs Field, Forest School Lead

### Gangs & Drugs Awareness Workshop for Parents

The Youth At Risk Service are working in partnership with the Police and CGL (Change Grow Live) to offer virtual support awareness workshops for parents.



**Gangs Prevention Project**

Waltham Forest

The target audience are the parents/carers of primary school aged children transitioning into secondary education. These workshops will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and will inform and empower parents/carers to be able to safeguard and support their children. Details of the next session are as follows:-

09/02/23 6.00pm until 7:30pm - **Gangs & Drugs Awareness**

23/03/2023 6.00pm - 7.30pm - **Healthy Relationship Awareness**

Please email the school office at [chaselanepri@clpwalham.org.uk](mailto:chaselanepri@clpwalham.org.uk) if you would like to receive further information.

### Dentistry



The children in Reception will be learning all about Dentists in the week beginning 6th February. We would like to encourage the children to be inspired by the different jobs around them.

If there are any parents/carers that are Dentists or dental nurses and would like to come into a Reception class to give the children a talk about the role of a dentist, please get in contact with the school office to

arrange a time and a day which would suit all.

Thank you.  
Reception Teachers

### Joke of the Week

Q. What kind of photos will you find on a crab's phone?

A. Shell-fies!



## Diary Dates Spring Term 2023

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



**Wednesday 1st February** National Teachers Strike - school closed

Wednesday 8th February 2.15pm - 3.15pm Instrument Recital Performance

Half -Term Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February

**Monday 20th February** INSET Day - school closed to children

Friday 24th February 8.30am - 9.30am School Nurse visit Community Room

Friday 3rd March World Book Day Dress up. More info to follow

**Wednesday 8th March** International Women's Day

Tuesday 14th March Year 2 Royal Gunpowder Mills trip. More info to follow

Monday 20th March Clubs & after school boosters end this week

Thursday 23rd March World Maths Day Dress-up day. More info to follow

Monday 27th March Whole school Parent Consultations

Thursday 30th March Whole school Parent Consultations

Friday 31st March School closes **1 hour early** for the Easter holidays

Easter Holidays Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th

### Summer Term

Monday 17th April 2022 - Friday 21st July

### Bank Holidays

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 1st May 2023

King Charles' Coronation Monday 8th May 2023

Half-term Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

**INSET Day Monday 3rd July 2022** - school closed to children

Friday 21st July 2023 School closes **1 hour early** for the Summer holidays

## Riddle of the Week

You will find me in Mercury, Earth, Mars and Jupiter, but not in Venus or Neptune.

What am I?

The answer is at the bottom of page 3



## School Nurse Sessions

School Nurse Drop-in sessions have changed. The Waltham Forest School Health Team are no longer offering 'drop-in' sessions. The school nurse will only come into school if parents have booked. If parents do not book, the school nurse will not come in to school.

School Nurse sessions offer advice and support on a range of topics including:

Healthy eating,  
Behavioural problems,  
Head lice  
Hygiene- hand washing & oral health  
Bed wetting  
Hearing and vision  
Height weight management  
Emotional health



And any other health related concerns you may have regarding your child. The next School Nurse visit is scheduled for **8.30am - 9.30am on Friday 24th February**. If you would like to see the school nurse to discuss any of these issues, please contact the school [chaselanepr@clpwaltham.org.uk](mailto:chaselanepr@clpwaltham.org.uk) office to book a slot.

## Waltham Forest Residents' News

Please click the link below to view this week's Waltham Forest residents' news: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/3445c5c>

## Dressed for Winter Weather



Low temperatures are back and look set to last for another couple of days. We would like to remind parents and carers to make sure your child comes to school prepared for the winter weather. Please send your child with a **coat, hat, gloves** and other winter items for outside play. Please don't forget to make sure they have their names on them.

We would also like to remind you to make sure your child has a **PE kit** suitable to wear outside. Please ensure that your child has a pair of jogging bottoms to wear during PE and on their way home at the end of the day. Please label all clothing with your child's name and class. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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## WEEK 2 School Dinner Menu for w/b 30th January 2022

### Monday

#### CHOOSE FROM

Jackfruit Jambalaya 🍲  
Oven Roasted Vegetable Sausage with Caramelised Onions & Gravy 🍲  
Oven Roasted Chicken Sausage with Caramelised Onions & Gravy

#### SIDES

Creamy Mashed Potato

#### UNLIMITED

Fresh Seasonal Organic Carrots, Green Beans, Fresh Salad Selection, Homemade Bread

#### DESSERT

Chocolate Cracknel & Custard  
Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit  
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

### Tuesday



#### CHOOSE FROM

"Riverley School Favourite" Buttered No Chicken 🍲 (Cauliflower)  
Spicy Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Bake 🍲  
Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings 🍲

#### SIDES

Savoury Mixed Rice

#### UNLIMITED

Fresh Seasonal Broccoli, Sweetcorn, Fresh Salad Selection, Homemade Bread

#### DESSERT

Fruity Flapjack 🍪  
Fresh Fruit Salad  
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

### Wednesday

#### CHOOSE FROM

Jerk Chicken  
Homemade Cheddar Cheese & Pepper Quiche 🍲  
Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry 🍲

#### SIDES

Rice & Peas  
Saute Potatoes

#### UNLIMITED

Garden Peas, Mixed Vegetables, Fresh Salad Selection, Homemade Bread

#### DESSERT

Fruit Jelly Pot 🍮  
Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit  
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

### Thursday

#### CHOOSE FROM

Sticky Tofu 🍲  
Roasted Vegetable Biryani 🍲  
Beef Bolognese

#### SIDES

Mixed Rice  
Pasta Spirals

#### UNLIMITED

Sweetcorn, Fresh Seasonal Roasted Parsnip, Fresh Salad Selection, Homemade Bread

#### DESSERT

Cheese & Crackers  
Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit  
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

### Friday

#### CHOOSE FROM

MSC Golden Crumb Fish Fingers  
Smoky Cheese & Cherry Tomato Pasta 🍲  
MSC Lemon Crumb Salmon Fillet

#### SIDES

Oven Baked Chips

#### UNLIMITED

Baked Beans, Grilled Tomatoes, Fresh Salad Selection, Homemade Tomato Bread

#### DESSERT

Iced Lemon & Lime Courgette Muffin 🍪  
Organic Fruit Yogurt with Fresh Fruit  
Seasonal Fresh Fruit

## School Term Dates 2023-2024

This week the Chase Lane Governing Body met and agreed the school term dates for 2023-2024 (see below). Please make sure you make note of these dates - holidays booked during term-time will **not** be approved. School reopens to all families on **Wednesday 6th September** so if you are planning to book a summer holiday, please make sure you return before then so that your child does not miss the start of term.

### Chase Lane Primary School and Nursery Unit Calendar 2023-2024

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July 2024						
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August 2024						
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Inset Days	School Holidays	Bank Holidays



## Community Information

### Waltham Forest Energy Café

Morgan Sindall Property Services and Aston Group, are delivering a programme of support and advice sessions on energy awareness and energy saving tips for our tenants and leaseholders.

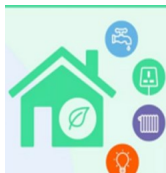
**When:** Wednesday 1st February  
**How often:** Every first Wednesday of each month  
**Time:** 11.00am-12.30pm  
**Location:** Online  
**Cost:** Free - booking required

Those running the sessions have passed a Level 3 qualification in Energy Awareness with the National Energy Action, and can advise residents on:

- Making sure your home is energy efficient
- What to do if you're struggling to pay your energy bills
- The best boiler and thermostat controls for heating your home
- Grants and benefits to help you pay your energy bills
- How to get extra support from other agencies

To find out more and to register for a place, click the link below:

<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/events/energy-cafe>



### National Storytelling Week



National Storytelling week runs from 28th January - 5th February. This Saturday why not pop down to Wood Street library, 10.30am - 12.30pm for a storytelling workshop and have fun creating stories. This workshop is free and suitable for children aged 7+. No need to book, just go along.

### Waltham Forest College Vacancy

**Job Title:** Exam Invigilator  
**Location:** East London  
**Hours:** Casual - working as and when required  
**Salary range:** £11.95 per hour

**JOB VACANCIES**

Waltham Forest College is a forward thinking, vibrant, diverse and exciting place to study and work. We are proud of our achievements including being rated as the top performing college in London for student satisfaction for the past two consecutive years, as well as being graded as Good by Ofsted.

We believe that our employees are the heart of the organisation and having the right people in the right place, with the right skills is the key to our success. We are looking for a committed individual who is passionate about working in an aspirational and high performing college and dedicated to contributing to an outstanding experience for our learners.

The successful candidate will have a keen sense of responsibility, ownership and a 'can do' approach to addressing everyday challenges. If you believe you have the skills, experience and motivation to make a difference and be part of Team Forest, we strongly encourage you to apply for the post at Waltham Forest College. We are looking for people who will provide support to the wider Examinations team with the day to day operation of examinations, including setting up rooms and adhering to all exam procedures before, during and after the exam.

Ideally you will have Maths and English at Level 2, be an effective communicator with excellent accuracy and attention to detail. Knowledge of JCQ rules and regulations would be preferable but training will be provided. What's in it for you?

We offer the opportunity to help develop your skills and knowledge in a friendly team environment, plus a range of benefits including a career average pension scheme (LGPS), employee assistance programme, discounted local gym membership, enhanced sick pay, NUS Employee discount, free onsite parking, cycle to work scheme and Sodexo benefits scheme.

**Equality, diversity and inclusion** - We are committed to creating and promoting a diverse and inclusive workforce that better reflects the wider community we support.

**Safeguarding** - We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare and safety of our students and expect everybody working for the College to share this commitment. We actively seek DBS clearance checks for applications of employment as part of our safeguarding procedures. In line with KCSIE 2022 and Safer Recruitment principles the college reserves the right to conduct online searches of shortlisted candidate.

**Closing Date: 31 January 2023** To apply please click the link below [Job Vacancies \(waltham.ac.uk\)](https://www.waltham.ac.uk/job-vacancies)

### SEND Family Support Groups



**SEND FAMILY SUPPORT GROUPS**  
 Spring 2023

Open to parents and carers of children aged 5-18 with SEND in mainstream schools in Waltham Forest. Come along and share experiences, discuss ideas, explore resources and develop a support network. All led by specialist Advisory Teachers.

To join us complete the [Booking Form](#) here Or

email: [enquiries@sendsuccess.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@sendsuccess.org.uk) or call: 020 8498 4249

Down's Syndrome	Monday 23rd January 12:00 - 1:00 pm	Online
	Monday 13th March 10:00 - 11:00 pm	
Autism	Monday 6th February 12:00 - 1:00 pm	Hybrid (Online and in person)
	Monday 13th March 12:00 - 1:00 pm	

Links to all virtual sessions will be sent via email prior to the session

In person sessions will be held at Whitefield Schools and Centre, Macdonald Road, Walthamstow, London, E17 4AZ

### Domestic Abuse Drop In - Chingford

Do you feel intimidated or controlled by others in your life?  
 Are you worried or concerned about your safety?  
 Do you experience physical or verbal abuse?

You may be experiencing domestic abuse. If you want to talk about how you feel, get advice or find some support, you can meet with one of Waltham Forest specialist workers.

They host weekly drop-in sessions which are a safe, confidential and non-judgemental place for anyone to come in and seek advice in relation to their safety, wellbeing and practical needs. No need to book an appointment, just drop into one of the sessions

You can get help with:

- Safety planning
- Legal matters
- Housing advice

**When:** Every Friday

**Time:** 10.00am - 1.00pm

**Location:** Chingford Children and Family Centre, Wyemead Centre, 5 Oaks Grove, Chingford, E4 6EY

**Cost:** Free



### Waltham Forest Winter Spaces

Waltham Forest council **Winter Spaces** are a collection of community and council venues across the borough that you can visit for free this winter. There are 3 types:

**Community Living Rooms** are spaces for residents to relax or socialise in a cosy, warm space.

**Community Kitchens** are places to come together around food. This might be enjoying a free hot snack with people from your local community or a subsidised meal at a community café.

**Libraries** offer desk space for studying and working, Wi Fi and PC computer use for any residents and non-residents as well as daily free events for adults and children. For more information click the link <https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-involved/winter-spaces-network> then use the map to find your nearest Winter Space and see what each space offers including opening hours, facilities and activities.

More Winter Spaces will be added, so please do keep checking back.



Winter Spaces Network