

Newsletter 08 3rd November 2023

Nurturing curious minds in our community ready for a sustainable future.

Primary School & Nursery Unit

Don't Forget Friday 10th November is INSET Day

Parent Governor Vacancies

We currently have two parent governor vacancies for the Chase Lane Primary School and Nursery Unit Governing Body.

The school, as you know, is led by myself (Mr Jeffery). I am supported a great deal by a wonderful board of school governors. The purpose of a school's governing body is to ensure that the children and the community of Chase Lane are essentially getting the best deal possible. Collectively the governing body perform many tasks that support the school, hold the school/me (Mr Jeffery) to account and provide appropriate challenge to the school when necessary. The board is made up of a mix of people from a wide range of backgrounds with various skills and experience.

No special gualifications are needed and the Local Authority provide free training to all new governors. The key qualities to an excellent governor are to have a keen interest in the school and outcomes for the children. In addition, a governor will be available to play an active part in the Governing Body's work.

The school governors dedicate themselves voluntarily to approximately 10 meetings per year which take place on Tuesday evenings. Their commitment is immense and they are always well prepared for each meeting having read all relevant paperwork in advance.



If you feel you could be an active

member of the group then please email Mrs Dasilva, Office Manager at <u>chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk</u> If several people apply then the position will go to an election that the school will oversee.

Parent governors are crucial to the governance of the school, supporting and challenging me as the headteacher and the staff who run the school and helping us to provide the best possible education for all of our children. If you have any further questions about the governing body or a full description of a governors role, please email chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk or speak to myself when dropping off or collecting your child.

The deadline to apply is Monday 13th November.

Mr Jeffery

Parent Consultations 27th & 30th November

It is that time of year when we invite you all in to school for a 10-minute slot to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher. You will also have the opportunity to view your child's books inside the school



Parent Teacher consultations will take place on Monday 27th November and Thursday 30th November.

Yesterday a SchoolPing message was sent out for you to book your slot.

Your consultation will take place at the date and time you select.

The deadline to book via SchoolPing is Monday 20th November.

If you have trouble booking your slot, please contact the school office.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to everyone who has and will be celebrating their birthday during the month of November.



PTA Year 3 and 4 Disco Tonight

The PTA Years 3 & 4 Disco takes place tonight, 6.30pm - 8.30pm.

Tickets cost £5 and includes crisps, unlimited drink and professional DJ Mr Zippy!

Tickets can be bought on the door. We look forward to seeing you all there. Friends of Chase Lane PTA



Year 5 & 6 Girl's Football

We are looking for any Year 5 and 6 girls who would be interested in playing football and representing the school in matches and tournaments.

On Monday 6th November at lunchtime, Mr Wingrove will be holding a football session on the school astroturf for any Year 5 or 6 girls who would like to play. They will need to have their school PE kits to change into as well as suitable footwear (trainers/astroturfs).

The session will run for around half an hour to ensure children have time for their lunch.



Conversations about Conflict & War

By now, many children have heard about the violent Israel-Gaza conflict that has left thousands of people dead and hundreds hostage, whether from broadcast news, social media, or overhearing adult conversations, or even from classmates in school.

Here are some helpful links for support in discussing this topic with your child:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/67051424

https://www.unicef.org/parenting/howtalk-your-children-about-conflict-andwar

https://kidshealth.org/CookChildrens/ en/parents/talk-about-middle-east.html



Forest School Update

Please note that there has been a slight change to the Forest School timetable:

Baobab - now on Tuesday afternoons

Sequoia - now on Wednesday afternoons All other classes remain the same.

Mrs Field Forest School Lead

Fireworks Safety

This week our Nursery and Reception children were treated to a wonderful firework display.

The child also learnt all about how to stay safe around fireworks:

• Only **Adults** should light fireworks - never try to light fireworks yourself.

Only let an adult handle fireworks

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- Stand well back don't stand too close to a bonfire. Stand at a safe distance
- Wear gloves to hold sparklers and hold them away from your face with your arm straight out
- Never go back to a lit firework - Never go near one once it has been lit
- Keep pets and animals safe always keep pets inside and make them as comfortable as possible



Letter from the Prime Minister

As part of our schools climate action we have been bringing real life stories of the impact of the climate emergency into the classroom and ensure it is seen as a social challenge as well as an environmental one. Pupils in Year 5 have upskilled themselves on how to talk and write about climate justice.



In Year 5 the pupils emailed the Prime Minister at 10 Downing street. We received a reply which thanked us for our emails and

10 DOWNING STREET stated:

"It was very good of you to get in touch about trees, and for taking the time and trouble to share your thoughts. As Department for Environment, Food and Rural affairs is the part of the Government responsible for the matters you raise. I have sent the emails to them so that they are made aware of your views"

The children were very impressed to get a response.

Year 1 Weather Day

Yesterday our Year 1 children learnt all about the weather. To really bring the topic to life, the children dressed up as all the different elements.

Check them out Palm class below



Fun Fact

An Octopus has blue blood, 9 brains and 3 hearts!



Poppy Sales

Poppies are sold in preparation for Remembrance Day which is a time to remember those who died or were wounded in World War One and Two and in every war since.



Next week our Prefects will be selling poppies everyday before and after school.

All money raised will go towards providing much
needed support for the Armed Forces and their families.

Reception Golden Rules Dress Up

Last term our Reception children celebrated the Golden rules with a special dress-up day. The children looked amazing!



Thank You to The Friends of Chase Lane

The staff and children in the Nursery would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to the 'Friends of Chase Lane' who generously donated to help to create our sensory room.

The children are really enjoying using this calm and attractive space which helps us develop an understanding of our feeling and emotions.

The Nursery staff have found it very beneficial to help settle our very young children at the start of their school life.



Waltham Forest Residents News

Click the links below to view the latest Waltham Forest Residents news: <u>https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/</u> <u>bulletins/3785a40</u>

Attendance 16th - 20th October 2023

Very 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

Year group	Class	Attendance	
Year 1	Pine	100	
Year 2	Baobab	97.6	
Year 3	Sycamore	98.0	1
Year 4	Hawthorn	99.3	
Year 5	Beech	96.5	ļ
Year 6	Aspen	98.6	1



During the above period our overall school attendance was **95.8%**. Congratulations to **Pine** class for all achieving 100% attendance.

Diary Dates Autumn Term 2023-2024

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

<u>Autumn Term</u>

Monday 6th November Tuesday 7th November Wednesday 8th November

Friday 10th November Friday 17th November Monday 20th November Wednesday 22nd November Friday 24th November Monday 27th November Monday 27th November Monday 27th November Tuesday 28th November Thursday 30th November Friday 1st December Thursday 7th December Thursday 14th December Friday 15th December Sunday 10th December Monday 18th December Tuesday 19th December Thursday 21st December Thursday 21st December

9.00am - 11.00am PTA meeting in the meeting room Cedar class trip to Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge Cherry class trip to Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge Hawthorn trip to Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge INSET Day - school closed to children 6.30pm - 8.30pm PTA Year 5 & 6 Disco - details to follow Extra-curricular clubs end this week Reception - Year 6 School Flu Vaccinations 8.30-9.30am School Nurse Drop-in - call to book an appointment 9.00am - 12pm Year 6 Height & Weight 1.30pm - 3pm Reception - Year 6 School Flu Vaccinations- PM 3.45pm - 6pm Parent Consultations Year 3 trip to the Verulamium Museum Parent Consultations - full details to follow 6.00pm - 7.30pm PTA Year 1 & 2 Entertainment event - details to follow 9.15am & 1.45pm Year 1,2 & 4 Concert - details to follow 9.10am Reception Concert 2.30-3.30pm School Nurse Drop-in - call to book an appointment 12pm - 3pm PTA Christmas Fair - details to follow 9.00am Year 3,5 & 6 Festive Assembly Nursery Concert AM/PM 8.20am Staff Carol Singing School closes 1 hour earlier than usual for Christmas holidays

National School Wednesday Thursday Monday Tuesday Meals Week **Roast Dinner Day Try Something** Come Dine With Us Low Carbon 2023 (FDA) New Roasted Lemon & Garlic Oven Baked Sausages with Beef & Tomato Tortilla CHOICE 1 Caramelised Onions & Chicken Sticky Tofu (ve) Stack Gravy with Gravy Quorn Sausages with Stuffed Sweet Potato Spicy Tomato, Lentil & CHOICE 2 Caramelised Onions & Cajun Bean Kebab (ve) Basil Pasta (ve) (ve) Gravy (v) Jacket Potato with Cheese Ear Popping Sweetcorn Vegetable Jalfrzi (v) CHOICE 3 (v)/Baked Beans(ve) or Tuna Vegetable Samosa (ve) Risotto (ve) Mayonnaise (v) **Rosemary Roast Potatoes** Sides Creamy Mashed Potato (v) Savoury Mixed Rice (ve) Jacket Wedges (ve) (ve) Fresh Seasonal Broccoli Mixed Vegetables (ve) Fresh Organic Carrots (ve) Medley of Roasted Root Vegetables Fresh Seasonal Green (ve) Garden Peas (ve) Vegetables (ve) Sweetcorn (ve) Cabbage (ve) Salads Salad Selection Salad Selection Salad Selection Salad Selection Jelly with Pineapple Nice Chcocolate Brownie (ve) Desserts Apple Crumble & Custard Carrot Cake & Milk (ve) Cream (ve) & Ice Cream (v) (ve) Organic Fruit Yogurt with Organic Fruit Yogurt with Organic Fruit Yogurt Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad DAILY Seasonal Fresh Fruit Seasonal Fresh Fruit with Seasonal Fresh Fruit DAILY Bread Homemade Bread Homemade Bread Homemade Bread Homemade Bread

6.11.23 - 09.11.23 National School Meals Week Menu

Community News

HEY. FAMILIES OF WALTHAM FOREST! WANT TO LIVE A HEALTHIER LIFESTYLE?

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Bf BeeZee Families

HEALTHY HABITS FOR LIFE!



BeeZee Families

The whole family can join in with our groups in Waltham Forest! Includes cooking lessons & physical activity.



BeeZee Academy

Get free access to our online library to learn about healthy habits and routines in your own time.

*to be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to school/be registered with a GP in Waitham Forest and include one child age 5-15 who is above their ideal healthy weight.



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