

Safer Internet Day

Book Fair, Book Week & World Book Day

Book Fair - Next Tuesday 27th February, all children will receive a book token which can be used at our Book Fair or in supermarkets and bookshops. Our Book Fair starts the week before Book Week and will run from **Wednesday 28th February until Tuesday 5th March**.

It will be held in the KS1 playground after school, weather permitting and will be a cash only event. We kindly ask parents/carers to bring small change as we will not be able to change large notes.



Please come along and help us to earn book rewards for school.

Book Week - Book Week runs from Monday 4th March until Friday 8th March. Our theme this year is Poetry and Rhymes and the children will be looking at a selection of poetry and rhymes which will be explored through the creative curriculum. We will be running a competition, which will be to write a short poem about their favourite colour. Your child's class teacher will explain this nearer the time. Early Years will have a different task which will be based on the rhymes they have shared. The competition closing date will be Monday 11th March and there will be prizes for each year group.

World Book Day - World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March. We would ask that children dress up as characters from their favourite books/poems/rhymes. However, this year we would really like to encourage swapping and re-using old costumes so as to support with the current pressures of cost of living as well as trying to negate the environmental impact of single-use costumes.



All next week (during drop off/pick up) if you have any old costumes that you would like to donate, you can drop them off in the main school office. We kindly ask that the costumes be washed, put in a clearly labelled bag explaining what the costume is and the age of the child it would be suitable for.

The office will then organise the costumes and parents can come along and help themselves to one on Monday 4th March between 3pm - 3.15pm, in the community room.

We look forward to some exciting weeks ahead.

Year 4 South America

This term Year 4 are learning all about South America. The children have been asked to create a project at home to develop their understanding further of South America. For example, they could create the Amazon Rainforest using a range of recycled materials, research famous landmarks in South America, produce a piece of music influenced by a South American artist or write a newspaper report on the negative effects of deforestation, animal extinction or climate change.



The children's work will be displayed in our classrooms so the more innovative, the better! The work can also be posted onto seesaw. Try to be as sustainable as possible and think about ways you can recycle materials.

We look forward to seeing your fabulous South American creations!

Sign of The Week

This week you can learn the sign for **Family**.

Click on the link below to view how to make the sign for **family**:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RPu7z_zEJ94



Reading Volunteers

As we come to the end of this half-term, we want to express our deep gratitude to the wonderful parent volunteers who have dedicated their time to listening to our young readers in Key Stage 1. Your support has been invaluable in nurturing their love for reading and enhancing their literacy skills.

Thank you for being shining examples of community spirit and for enriching the educational experience of our children. We look forward to continued collaboration next half term.



If you are interested in joining our amazing team of reading volunteers, please email the school office with the subject title 'Reading Volunteer' at chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk

Miss Hibbett
Assistant Headteacher

Happy Independence Day St Lucia



Yesterday, Thursday 22nd February was St Lucia's Independence Day. St Lucia is a small island in the Caribbean. St Lucia is one of two sovereign states in the world named after a woman and is the **only one** named after a human woman (Ireland is named after a goddess).

We would like to wish all our families of St Lucian heritage, a very happy 45th Anniversary of Independence.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will take place for the whole school on Monday 18th and Thursday 21st March. The booking system on SchoolPing went live yesterday. Please book your slot by **midday on Monday 11th March**. If you have trouble booking your slot, please contact the school office on 0208 529 6827 or via email chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk.



Measles Cases on the Rise

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MEASLES CASES ARE RISING IN LONDON

Make sure you and your child are up to date with immunisations.

SPEAK TO YOUR GP TO LEARN MORE AND ORGANISE YOUR CATCH-UP VACCINATION



Are you and your children protected against measles?

Although there haven't been cases in Waltham Forest so far, cases have been rising in London lately, so it's important to make sure you and your family are protected

Measles is an infection that spreads very easily and can cause serious problems in some people. The best way to prevent measles is the MMR vaccine, protecting from measles, mumps and rubella (MMR).

This is usually given to children in two doses, one at 12 months old and the second one at three years and four months old.

You can check your or your children's vaccination status with your GP or in your child's red book. Speak to your GP today to organise your catch-up vaccination.

School-age children can also get vaccinated at clinics organised by Vaccination UK. For more information about this contact Vaccination UK at Walthamforest@v-uk.co.uk

£3 Tickets to London Zoo

At London Zoo they want as many people as possible to be able to enjoy a brilliant day out and to benefit from the amazing animals which live at the Zoo.

To help families who might find cost or other challenges a barrier to visiting London Zoo, their Universal Credit tickets provide entry at a reduced price of as little as £3 per person.

To avoid disappointment, you must book in advance.

Click the link below for the full details:

<https://www.londonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/london-zoo-tickets/universal-credit-tickets>



Attendance 5th February - 9th February

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 1 | Palm | 98.6% |
| Year 3 | Hazel | 98.6% |
| Year 4 | Hawthorn | 96.6% |
| Year 5 | Elm | 99.2% |
| Year 6 | Olive | 98.6% |



During the above period our overall school attendance was 95.8%.

Joke of the Week

Q. What's even smarter than a talking penguin?

A. A spelling bee!



Week 2 Dinner Menu 26th February - 1st March



Next week's dinner menu will be **WEEK 2**. Please click the link to view it:

https://walthamforestcatering.co.uk/sites/default/files/2024-01/WFC_Primary_Menu_Winter_Menu_2024.pdf

Waltham Forest Residents News

Click the links below to view the latest Waltham Forest Residents news:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/38b5727>

Fact of the Week

An average human grows 590 miles of hair in their lifetime.



Dates for the Diary

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

Spring Term 2 - 2024

Tuesday 27th February

Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March 2024

2.30pm – 3.20pm Parents Forum

Wednesday 28th February

Book Fair Week, after school in Key Stage 2 (Year 3 -6) playground

Wednesday 6th March

9.00am - 11.00am PTA Coffee Morning in the canteen hall

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day - Children Dress up as their favourite book character

Friday 15th March

6.30pm - 8.30pm PTA Family Bingo night (details to follow)

Monday 18th March

Whole School Parent Consultations

Tuesday 19th March

Nursery Parent Consultations

Wednesday 20th March

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Thursday 21st March

Whole School Parent Consultations

Friday 22nd March

Year 2 trip Acacia class (AM) trip to William Morris Gallery (details to follow)

Year 2 trip Sassafras class (PM) trip to William Morris Gallery (details to follow)

Tuesday 26th March

Year 2 trip Baobab class (AM) trip to William Morris Gallery (details to follow)

Thursday 28th March

Last day of Spring term - school will close 1 hour earlier

Easter Break Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April

Easter School for Year 6 Week 1

Monday 8th April - Thursday 11th April

Easter School for Year 6 Week 2

Summer Term 1 - 2024

Monday 15th April - Friday 24th May 2024

Monday 15th April

8.45am School reopens for Summer term

Friday 10th May

PTA Year 2 & 3 Disco (details to follow)

Friday 17th May

PTA Year 4 & 5 Disco (details to follow)

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May

Year 6 SATs week

Monday 20th May - Friday 24th May

Year 6 Activity week

Friday 24th May

PTA Whole School Pyjama day (details to follow)

Whitsun half-term break Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Summer Term 2 - 2024

Monday 3rd June - Wednesday 24th July 2024

Sunday 7th July

PTA Summer Fair

Friday 19th July

Year 6 Leavers Disco

Wednesday 24th July

Last day of term - school will close 1 hour earlier for summer holidays



Dear Families and Friends

Our children need us now more than ever! Friends of Chase Lane (PTA) needs more volunteers to continue the great work that has been taking place!

The PTA organises/contributes to:

- School discos
- School trips
- Christmas fairs
- Christmas presents
- Summer fair
- Pyjama day
- Year 6 Leavers discos

Friends of Chase Lane have raised thousands of pounds a year to allow our children to have all the above by organising and subsidising these events

Let's come together to make sure this happens for more years to come!

Come along on **Wednesday 6th March at 9.00am** for a coffee/tea and cake to find out more on how you can help!

So many of our children have enjoyed so many of the wonderful things that Friends of Chase Lane contribute financially to, it would be a HUGE shame if other children do not get to experience those same things.

If there are enough volunteers, then this will not take up a lot of anyone's spare time!

Let's do this for OUR CHILDREN and OUR SCHOOL

Looking forward to seeing you there and to starting something amazing for our children to enjoy!