

# Chipping Hill Times

Issue 4

Date: 18/10/2024

Address: Owers Road, Witham, CM8 1FR Website: www.chippinghill.essex.sch.uk Telephone: 01376 512201 Email: admin@chippinghill.essex.sch.uk

This will be the last newsletter until after half term.

This week our Year 4 children enjoyed their trip to Colchester Castle. Thank you to all parents who attended the virtual parents evenings this week - your continued support means a lot and makes a difference to the progress which children make.

We are looking forward next week, to inviting our Year 1 parents and carers to watch the Nightingales and Skylarks assemblies, where the children will showcase their learning so far this academic year.

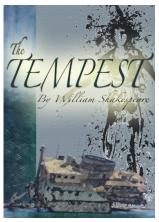
I hope you all have a wonderful half term break.

Best wishes,

Mrs Natasha Robson Headteacher



# Year 5 - Performance



We are extremely proud of both the Eagles and Hawks classes who performed Shakespeare's The Tempest last week as part of their drama work with Ignition Arts. The children learnt lines, how to use props and about stage presence over a four week period before delivering show stopping performances to parents and carers.

## Year 2 - Puppets

Kingfishers and Swifts made a puppet of their favourite fairy tale character last week. The felt was sewed using a running stitch and then features were added on to the character using buttons, pom poms, googly eyes and felt. Their hard work has really paid off and they have created some amazing puppets.



# **Secondary School Admissions**

The secondary school admission round opened on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school place (Year 7) for September 2025. The statutory national closing date for applications is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**.

Applications can be made online via <u>www.essex.gov.uk/admissions</u>. All of the application information is available on the website. Parents will not receive letters regarding this, it is your responsibility to log on to the website and make an application before the closing date.

# **Recent Letters And Communications**

- Hawks Message from Miss Taylor
- WakeUp Wednesday Horror Films and Age Ratings
- Year 1 Baby Photographs
- Friends Halloween Trick or Treat Bags
- Year 6 Residential Meeting Information
- Children In Need Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November
- Autumn 2 Sports Clubs Reminder
- Volcano Day Year 3
- WakeUp Wednesday Fire Safety
- Friends of Chipping Hill meeting invitation
- Reminder to Book Parent Evening Appointment
- Dinner order reminder week commencing 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> October and 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024
- Autumn 2 Sports Clubs

# **Community Information**

Information regarding the following has been included in the community section of our school website, please take a look if you would like further information. These are all third party events/information, not endorsed by the school, but they may be of interest to you.

- KidAround October Issue
- FACE Family Advice Online Parenting Courses
- School's Out October Half Term Activity Clubs
- CMXSC Active Camps October Half Term
- Bikeability Holiday Courses
- The Grove Christmas Character Design
  Competition

# **Request for flower bulbs and seeds**

If you have any spare flower bulbs and/or packets of seeds that you no longer need please could you consider donating them to the school. These will be used by a gardening club we are hoping to start up in the coming months. A donation box will be left outside the office by the lost property clothes rail. Thank you in advance.





Any unnamed lost property left at school will be disposed of at the end of half term. Please take any items from the rail outside the office if they may be of use to you.

# **Events Diary**

If there are any changes to the dates listed, we will notify you as soon as possible.

**22.10.24:** EYFS - Reading Workshop and Learning Journey Morning

9am to 9.45am Meeting in KS1 Hall

9.45am Reading with children in classroom

23.10.24: Year 1 - Class presentation to parents

Nightingales at 2.30pm in classroom

Skylarks at 2.50pm in classroom

24.10.24: Friends of Chipping Hill - Trick or Treat bags

25.10.24: Non Pupil Day

28.10.14 - 01.11.24: Half Term

04.11.24: New Intake Tours at 9.45am and 5.30pm

05.11.24: Reading Workshop for Parents

KS1 (Years 1 and 2) in KS2 Hall at 2.45pm

KS2 (Years 3 to 6) in KS2 Hall at 8.45am

06.11.24: Height and Weight Checks for EYFS and Year 6

12.11.24 - 15.11.24: Falcons Residential Trip

**12.11.24:** Multiply Maths Course for Parents for KS2 from 9am to 11am in KS1 Hall

14.11.24: New Intake Tour at 9.45am and 1.45pm

15.11.24: Children In Need

19.11.24 - 22.11.24: Condors Residential Trip

**19.11.24:** Multiply Maths Course for Parents for KS2 from 9am to 11am in KS1 Hall

**22.11.24:** Forest School for Kites AM and Ospreys PM (more details to follow)

**26.11.24:** Multiply Maths Course for Parents for KS2 from 9am to 11am in KS1 Hall

27.11.24: Year 5 Residential Meeting for trip in Year 6

**28.11.24:** Progress - EYFS and Years 1 to 6, starting at 2.50pm in classrooms

# Payment Reminders

Year 6 Residential: The final payment is due at the end of October. For those paying the full amount please ensure payment is made by the end of October.

**Robins and Wrens Snack Money:** Please can the payment of £2.50 for this term, or £7.50 for the whole year, be made via Scopay, the school online payment system, or by cash in an envelope marked with your child's name and 'snack money' to the office.

Thank you.

#### **Boccia Sports Event**

On Monday, some of our KS2 children attended a Boccia sports event. All of the children had a fantastic time exploring this new sport, which is something that they had never experienced before. The children all did brilliantly and all gave the sport a really good go. We

entered 6 teams into the competition and one of our teams came 1st, which means they have been entered into the KS2 Essex Boccia Final!



#### Congratulations!

## Forest School

Kingfishers and Swifts had their Forest School session on Friday, which they all thoroughly enjoyed. During their time outside they were involved in a variety of activities including den building, popcorn making on a campfire and making art work using leaves, grass, conkers and sticks.

All classes will have the opportunity to experience some time at Forest School during the course of the year.







# KS2 Parents - Multiply Maths Course

Want to support your child with their maths homework and increase confidence in maths?

Learn how to quickly and easily help your child with their maths homework. Increase your confidence in maths. Lots of tips, activity ideas and resources!

Claim a £10 celebration voucher on completion of the course!

The course consists of three sessions on the 12th, 19th and 26th

November from 9am to 11am held at the school. To book your free place please contact the school office.



#### Dinner Menu Rotation

<u>Week commencing 21/10/24:</u> Autumn Term Menu 2 <u>Week commencing 04/11/24:</u> Autumn Term Menu 3

Orders for the above weeks have now closed.

Menus for three weeks from week commencing Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November will be sent out by email on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October. All orders need to be placed online by 1pm on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

<u>Please note that these menus are part of a new menu</u> <u>rotation so please ensure you check the allergen list</u> <u>carefully.</u>

The children have been involved in choosing some of the meal options for this rotation, those classes who have not made choices this time will get the opportunity with the next menu rotation.

Pizza - Nightingales, Swifts, Ospreys, Kites and Harriers

Chicken Nuggets - Skylarks, Kingfishers and Hawks



#### Please park considerately

Unfortunately we have had a number of complaints from our neighbours regarding parking at drop off and pick up times. Please make sure you are not blocking driveways, or parking on grass verges or roundabouts. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Autumn Term Clubs

If your child would still like to attend a club after half term please complete a permission slip. There are still spaces in most of the clubs, only early morning fitness and KS2 ball games are currently full.

Reply slips for the clubs starting after half term will be sent out by Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

Please ensure you keep a note of the dates and finishing times of any clubs your child attends.

#### MONDAYS:

**Choir (Years 1 - 6):** From  $23^{rd}$  September to  $9^{th}$  December, finishing at 4.15pm (£40)

**KS1 Multisports (Year 1 & 2):** From 4<sup>th</sup> November to 16<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.30pm (£35)

**KS2 Girls Football (Year 3 - 6):** From 4<sup>th</sup> November to 16<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.15pm

#### **TUESDAYS:**

**Tennis (Years 1 - 6)**: From 10<sup>th</sup> September to 17<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.05pm (£70)

**Netball (Year 4, 5 & 6):** From 5<sup>th</sup> November to 17<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.15pm

**KS1 Football (Year 1 & 2):** From 5<sup>th</sup> November to 17<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.30pm (£35)



#### WEDNESDAYS:

**Early Morning Fitness (Year 1 - 6):** From 6<sup>th</sup> November to 18<sup>th</sup> December (7.45am-8.35am)

**Boys Football (Year 5 & 6):** From 6<sup>th</sup> November to 18<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.30pm (£35)

**Hip Hop (Years 3 - 6):** From  $11^{th}$  September to  $23^{rd}$  October, finishing at 4.15pm (£35)

**KS2 Ball Games (Year 3 - 6):** From 6<sup>th</sup> November to 18<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.15pm

#### THURSDAYS:

**Hip Hop (Years 1 - 2):** From 12<sup>th</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> October, finishing at 4.15pm (£35)

**KS2 Multi Sports (Year 3 - 6):** From 7<sup>th</sup> November to 12<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.30pm (£30)

**Boys Football (Year 3 & 4):** From 7<sup>th</sup> November to 12<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.15pm

#### FRIDAYS:

**Girls Basketball (Years 2 - 6):** From 20<sup>th</sup> September to 13<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.15pm (£55)

**KS2 Running Club (Year 3 - 6):** From 8<sup>th</sup> November to 13<sup>th</sup> December, finishing at 4.15pm

Chipping Hill Primary School fully complies with information legislation. For full details on how we use personal information, please go to <a href="https://www.chippinghill.essex.sch.uk/">https://www.chippinghill.essex.sch.uk/</a> and click on the data protection tab. Alternatively, you can call the school office on 01376 512201 if you are unable to access the internet.