

What a sunny and fantastic week it has been here at CHJS! As we approach the end of the term, we find ourselves reflecting on the incredible progress our children have made this year. The energy in the classrooms is palpable, and it's always such a joy to witness the growth and development of our students. I had the pleasure of reading through the reports this week, and it was inspiring to see our core values and ethos shining through in the achievements of our children.

A huge amount of credit must go to our dedicated staff who have shown unwavering commitment, hard work, and nurturing throughout this term. They tirelessly strive to provide the very best education and support for our children, and it is their passion that fosters such a positive learning environment. I am genuinely grateful to each and every member of our team for the care and skill they exhibit every day.

This week also brought an exciting opportunity for our Year 5 and 6 students, who performed alongside their peers from The Eastwood Academy. Once again, we were immensely proud of our children's efforts and the professionalism they displayed during the performance. It was not just a wonderful experience for them, but it also laid a strong foundation for what we hope will be a fruitful partnership with The Eastwood Academy and Tenacitas Trust in the future. We are all looking forward to cultivating this connection further, as it promises to open up even more opportunities for our children.

Today was particularly special as we spent a delightful day with our Year 6 students, who are nearing the end of their time at CHJS. We had an absolute blast at Adventure Island, creating memories that I believe they will treasure for years to come. The joy on their faces truly made the day unforgettable, and I am so pleased they had this opportunity to celebrate their time at our school.

With just a week and a half left in the term, we will continue to embrace the sunshine and laughter that surrounds us. Thank you all for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Together, we are helping our children reach their full potential and shaping a bright future ahead. Here's to a wonderful final stretch of the term!

Warm regards,

Andy Newnham

Headteacher

"At CHJS, our vision is to provide an education that celebrates diversity and difference, encourages creativity and curiosity so children can achieve anything they set their minds to."

SCHOOL NEWS

PTA SUMMER FETE SUCCESS!

THANK YOU!!

Message from the PTA:

What a weekend!! Despite the weather not being as hoped and the inflatables having to cancel, we pulled together, changed the plan and it was a huge success! Thankfully the thunder storms that were promised held off, and we all had a fabulous day enjoying the biggest event of the year.

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that together we raised a fantastic £6824 at Sunday's fete!!! We are absolutely blown away by your amazing support!! The BBQ sizzled all day and was a sell out! The games stalls were so busy with children enjoying themselves and the dining hall was filled with smiles and laughter!

Prosecco and Pimms flowed non-stop, bubble tea and candy floss were popular as always and the new addition of strawberry pots were a big hit! The queues for the tombolas were never ending and the money tree super popular! The raffle was drawn a little later than planned due to all the fun being had, with 25 lucky winners who are now being contacted in the order they were drawn.

The infant school choir and junior Glee club sung beautifully and Mr Halsall and Mr Newnham braved the stocks and were soaked by the children lining up for their turn!!A huge thank you goes out to absolutely everyone: our fabulous class reps for sharing endless messages, everyone for their donations, raffle ticket folders, lucky dip wrappers, school office staff for being surrounded with donations, volunteers, and everyone who came and supported us on the day.

It was particularly lovely to welcome back ex-Chalkwell children, now in years 7, 8 & 9, who volunteered to run games stalls, whom without, the stalls wouldn't have been open!

Between the 4 PTA trustees we did 66.5K steps, so if you want to avoid extortionate gym membership, join the PTA!!
Thank you to our 3 wonderful sponsors whose support has helped us raise such an amazing amount for our children: @coulsonjamesestates @dashcafeuk @create98leighTo everyone who helped volunteer, donate and support to make this possible - we couldn't do it without you!!































Y5&6 GLEE CLUB SUPERSTARS

On Tuesday evening, our Year 5 and 6 Glee Club and our incredible rock band joined forces with The Eastwood Academy for a truly musical evening. It was fantastic to see our students sharing the stage, performing confidently and showcasing the incredible talent we have right here in our school. The energy and enthusiasm from everyone involved made it a memorable night full of music and community spirit. On Wednesday afternoon, we took a group of Glee children to visit The Grange Care Home, which was such a lovely experience. It felt really wholesome to watch the kids chatting so naturally with the residents, sharing smiles and stories like old friends. And their singing? Absolutely beautiful — it filled the room and brought so much joy to everyone there. Moments like these are a wonderful reminder of the special connections that can be made when generations come together.





DRAMA CLUB MAGIC!

" A Magical afternoon with our Drama Club! We are absolutely thrilled to announce that our talented Drama Club players have completed their first full performance of Alice in Wonderland! On Thursday afternoon, the performance hall was filled with excitement as our audience, made up of Years 4, 5, and 6 students, along with our dedicated teachers, were totally spellbound. From start to finish, the forty-strong troupe dazzled everyone with their stunning costumes and exceptional performances.
It was an afternoon to remember, and the glowing feedback about our incredible stars in the making has filled us with pride! But the fun isn't over yet! The Drama Club looks forward to their final performance for parents on Monday, 14th July. We can't wait to see the magic unfold once more! Let's celebrate the creativity and hard work of our young performers!





Waddle-On-Sea

Exciting news! Our beloved Lingo the Penguin—the Haven's Hospice penguin sponsored by our school—has officially arrived at his temporary home somewhere along the Waddle Trail in Southend, which launches today! Trail maps are available at various locations around Southend, or you can download the Waddle Trail app to track all the penguins. We were overjoyed by the incredible support and participation that made it possible for us to sponsor a penguin and contribute to the invaluable work of Havens Hospice. A huge thank you to everyone who helped raise the funds! Our very own penguin, Lingo, is extra special. He joyfully celebrates diversity, reminding us of the different cultures within our school community - our school motto 'If we believe, we will achieve' is

written in all the different languages spoken in our school. With his amazing feathers, Lingo inspires firendship and unity, reminding us that kindness transcends differences.

We hope you all have a wonderful time on your penguin hunt and we can't wait to hear the children's stories and adventures as they search for Snowy. Happy waddling!

JUNIOR GOVERNORS CAMPAIGN - SUMMER OF KINDNESS!



This week is the 5th week of our Summer of Kindness led by our Junior Governors. Here's what was on the menu...

Week 6 – Celebrating Kindness

What can we reflect on in terms of our positive behaviour and can we recognise acts of kindness in ourselves and other? Who has been a great example of kindness this term? What did they do?



Each class nominates one student and one adult for a Kindness Award. Celebrate with a class picnic in Chalkwell Park organised by the class teacher before the end of term.

Junior governors to hand out certificates to awarded in class or in assembly

Mindful Mondays, Chalkwell Character Curriculum & Core Value Focus:

This week's focus has been on being a great friend and how this is so important for our happiness and wellbeing. Not only does receiving kindness make us feel good, but so does giving it too.



Core Value: Cooperation SMSC/FBV: Tolerance and Respect Learning Behaviour: Choosing Good Friends



What makes a good friend?



"Lots of people want to ride with you in the limo, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down."

Oprah Winfrey

What do you think this means?

Choosing good friends is an important part of growing up. As we grow, sometimes our friendship groups can change. We might get closer to some people, and lose touch with others - that's ok.

When we are making new friends or keeping existing ones, we should think about if they are good friends for us. What does a good friend do?

Good friends:

- won't try to get you to do things that will get you in trouble
- will help you when you need support and celebrate with you when you do a good job
- make you feel happy to be around and like you exactly as you are

So how can you choose friends like this?

Step 1: Think about the qualities you want in a friend

Maybe you want a friend who shares your hobbies and interests, or lives close to you and is someone you can see often.



Maybe you want a friend who is a good listener. What's important to you?

Step 2: Think about what you can offer as a friend

Friendship is a two way street.

That means if you want your friends to celebrate your wins, support you and listen well, then you need to offer the same.

If friends don't offer the same time and effort in return, this is when friendships can break down.

What qualities do you have that makes you a good friend?



Step 3: Know when to get some space



Sometimes people you think are your friends will say or do things that make you doubt your relationship.

This is a good opportunity to take a break and get some space - are the things they are saying and doing the qualities you want in a friend?

Is it something that can be fixed or is it time to find somebody who matches with you better?

This Week:

This time of year there is a lot of change.

This means that there are lots of endings, but also the opportunity for some new beginnings.

Think carefully about which friendships you want to take forward with you in the next chapter of your story and think about the kind of friend you want to be to others.



Leigh Art Trail

Last weekend, the Leigh Art Trail Children's Exhibition took place at St. Pierre's School. It was so lovely to see many of you viewing the exhibition with your families and the Chalkwell entries displayed for everyone to admire! Well done to everyone who took part. We look forward to hearing whether any pieces have been awarded a prize.













Schools' Art Exhibition & Competition





Where

Saint Pierre School 16 Leigh Road, SS9 1LE

When

Saturday 5th July, 11am-3pm Sunday 6th July, 12-3pm

SECONDARY SCHOOLS



Where

Leigh Road Baptist Church SS9 1NN

When

Saturday 5th July, 11am-4pm Sunday 6th July, 11am-4pm





@LeighArtTrail www.leigharttrail.com

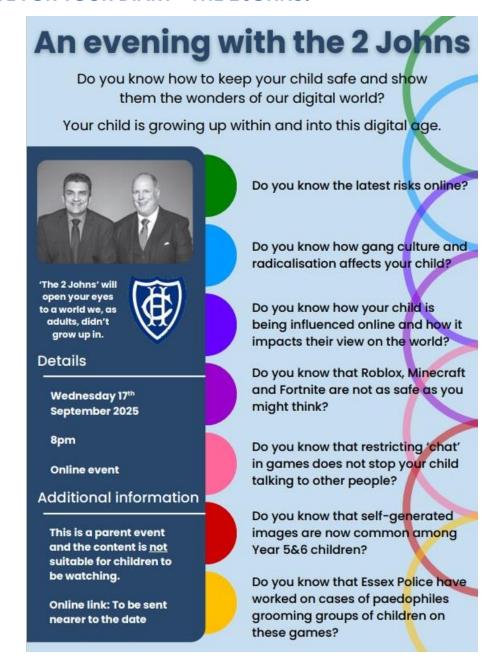




WEEKLY WAKE UP WEDNESDAY PARENT GUIDE



A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - THE 2 JOHNS!



ONLINE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK @ CHJS - BEACH TRIP

Beach Trip Success!

We had a fantastic time celebrating our Online Safety Platinum Challenge winners with a special beach morning on Monday. The children enjoyed a wonderful mix of sunshine, sea air and seaside fun! From pebble painting and colouring to building sandcastles and digging holes, there was creativity at every turn. Some children took to the shore to skim stones across the waves, while others played energetic games of badminton or even buried themselves in the sand with lots of laughter!

Of course, no beach trip would be complete without a refreshing ice-lolly treat to cool down after all the fun.

A huge well done again to all our winners — and thank you to families for helping the children come prepared for a safe and sunny adventure!







































































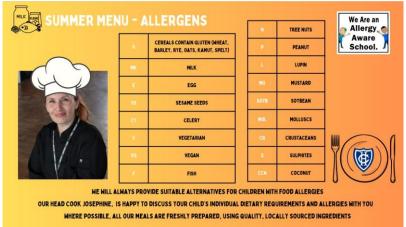


Summer Young Writers' Retreat 2025



SCHOOL DINNER MENU THIS TERM





OPAL



OPAL lunchtimes are as exciting as ever. Rain or shine, our lunchtimes are full of activities that enrich and promote play, teamwork and friendships.

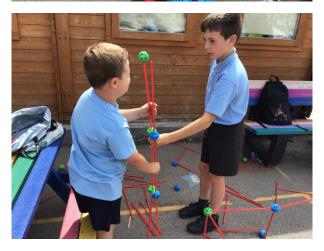
We've been truly overwhelmed by the generous donations we've received recently and we want to say a huge thank you for thinking of us! Thank you again for your continued support.

So many wonderful play opportunities this week!



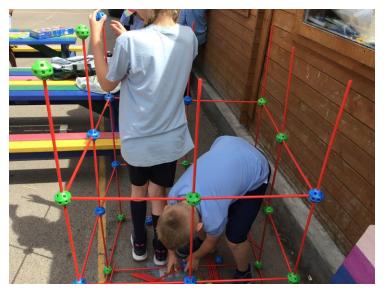


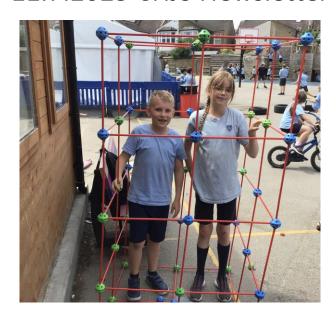












OPAL WISHLIST:

If you are able to add to our incredible offer at lunchtime by buying something off our wish list, we would be most grateful.

Have a look and see what you could buy to enrich our play offer by clicking the following link:

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SPORT @ CHJS

Netball Superleague Trip to O2

On Sunday 6th July, a group of our girls had the fantastic opportunity to attend the Netball Superleague Grand Final at the O2 Arena in London! They cheered on London Pulse with great enthusiasm as the team battled it out against Loughborough Lightning in an exciting and hard-fought match.

The girls were full of energy and excitement throughout the day, playing *"Hear Me Out"* on the minibus and showing brilliant team spirit. After the match, they enjoyed picking out some London Pulse merchandise as a souvenir and rounded off the trip with a well-earned stop at McDonald's on the way home.

They were a credit to the school—brilliantly behaved, great company, and full of enthusiasm. A special thank you to Mrs Flewitt for giving up her Sunday to join us and helping make the day such a success. We all had a wonderful time and made memories we won't forget!



Sporting Opportunities





LEIGH-ON-SEA CRICKET CLUB SUMMER CAMP 2025

We are pleased to announce that once again the Youth Cricket Summer Camp will return and be held at the club, as part of the Cricket Week celebrations, on Wednesday 30th July, Thursday 31th July and Friday 1th August. All sessions run from 9.30am to 12.30pm and you are free to come to one or all of the sessions but please remember to book early as places are limited and will be granted on 1th come first served basis.

Designed for anyone aged 6-13 years old, our courses are run by the LOSCC coaching staff and our aim is to encourage all children and young people, regardless of ability or experience, to become involved in cricket or enhance existing skills.

Some of the exciting activities include:

- · Organised Matches
- · Batting and Bowling Techniques
- · Fun Fielding drills & Net practice
- · Team play and competition
- · Tactical Awareness and Game Knowledge
- · Catching, Throwing & Fundamental Movement

Fees are £25 per session, or £60 for all 3 sessions, and need to be paid in advance. To reserve your place please complete the form below and return it to one of our youth staff together with payment, which can be made by debit card, bank transfer or cash. For bank transfers our account details are:

Account name: Leigh on Sea Cricket Club Sort Code: 30-94-26 Account Number: 00429528 Reference: (Name) SC

For further details please contact:

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Sign up or ask a question: JSsportCIC@gmail.com







Learning this week!

Year 3

Busy, busy week! Learning has been particularly practical this week which has been fantastic fun. In Computing, the children have completed their stop motion animations on the iPads, filming little plasticine characters having adventures, and then they evaluated their final film. In Science, we have been exploring floating and sinking discussing density, shape and buoyancy. Tessellations and tangrams proved very popular in Maths, and in English we worked together to story map a short

story entitled 'Harry Potter's Hogwarts Express Adventure'.3CH was in charge of Peanut's care this week. He was very fed and had several little trips out in the sun!































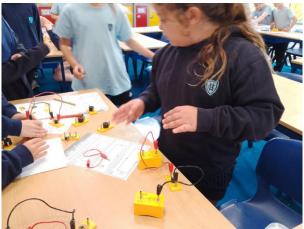






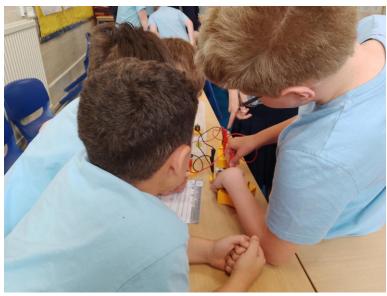
Year 4 have had a busy week. In English, the children have been storymapping their version of 'How to train your dragon,' in preparation for the shared write next week. In maths, the children have been revising the topics that they have covered this year, in preparation for year 5. The children, in science, have enjoyed working in groups to build circuits and they have been thinking scientifically about what makes one complete or incomplete. Year 4 were invited to watch the drama club's dress rehearsal performance of 'Alice in Wonderland' and they were all thoroughly impressed by what they saw. Well done year 4 on a great week!













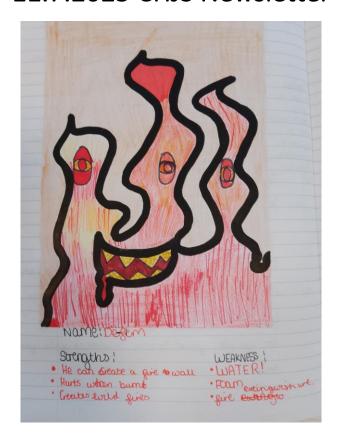


Year 5

We are excited to share some fantastic creativity from our Year 5 students this week! As part of their English and Geography curriculum, they have designed their very own Weather Monsters. These imaginative creatures each hold mysterious powers over our weather and have been giving everyone a bit of a fright! But fear not! The resourceful minds of Year 5 have also crafted a set of detailed instructions on how to defeat these pesky monsters. From weather-proofing your homes to using quirky spells to send them packing, our talented pupils have put their problem-solving skills to the test. Here's a sneak peek into some of their best tips:

- 1. **Find the Weak Spot**: Every monster has a weakness! Use your knowledge of weather patterns to discover how they can be outsmarted.
- 2. **Create a Weather Shield**: Armed with creativity, the students suggest making your very own protective bubble using household items—like umbrellas and raincoats!
- 3. **Call for Reinforcements**: Sometimes, teamwork is essential. Gather your family and friends to join forces for a weather-fighting mission!

We invite you to join us in celebrating our students' hard work! Let's show our Year 5s that we believe they can conquer anything— even the weather!







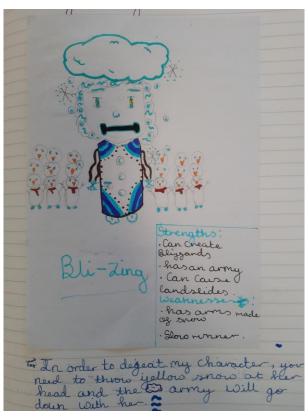


















Year 6

We had such a fantastic time spending the day with Year 6 at Adventure Island! It was great to see everyone showing real resilience on the bigger rides — some were a bit nervous at first, but with a bit of courage and support from friends, they all gave it their best. What stood out just as much was their wonderful manners throughout the day; polite, helpful, and encouraging to one another, which made the whole experience even more enjoyable. It was a brilliant reminder of how a positive attitude and kindness can make any adventure special! Thank you for a wonderful day, Year 6!



























Achievement Awards



There were **SO MANY** brilliant awards this week - Achievement Awards, Reading Champions, Maths Champions and Handwriting Awards. Well done to all the children who received recognition for showing our core values of Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Cooperation, Creativity and Enquiry. Well done to everyone who received these!

Attendance & Punctuality

Please encourage good attendance and ensure your child is in every day.

Important facts about school attendance:

- There are 190 school days each academic year
- There are 175 other days for holidays and other activities
- The national average for school attendance is 95%
- 90% attendance represents 1 day non-attendance a fortnight
- 80% attendance represents 1 day non-attendance a week

At CHJS, we always strive for 100% attendance. We understand that illness occurs from time time but ask that you support your child's learning and us a school by ensuring your child is in school every day and on time.

Our aim is that every child is in school every session, every day so we can give them the best education we can. Attendance is a key indicator to a child's success so we will be looking to be even better every week! We will be focusing on ensuring attendance is as good as it can be next year.

Attendance Guide for Parents/Carers



What YOU must do:

Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.

Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.

If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.

Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.

If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What WE will do:

Check your child's attendance every day.

Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.

Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.

If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

OUR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK - 96% (+)



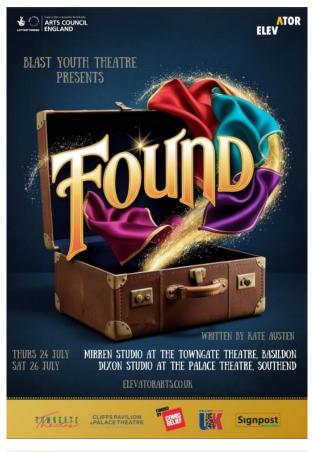
Lower School Winners = 4SR (99%)



Upper School Winners = 5GH (98.6%)



Community News















Dates for your diary: (new additions marked with *)

Tuesday 15th July - Year 3 visiting St Michaels & All Angels

Wednesday 16th July - 3:15-4:15pm OPEN CLASSROOM

Friday 18th July - Challenge Day

Sunday 6th July - PTA Summer Fete

Monday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly @ 1:30pm

Tuesday 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly @ 1:30pm

Tuesday 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers' Disco

Wednesday 23rd July - Coffee in the Car Park & Break up for Summer holidays

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