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I would like to begin this week's newsletter by praising every single child in our school for their continued positive attitude, effort and commitment to learning. It is a pleasure, every day, to see our children coming into school ready to learn, try their best and support one another.

I am especially proud of our Year 6 children, who approached their SATs this week with confidence, determination and a wonderfully positive mindset. They came into school each day with smiles on their faces, optimism in their hearts and a real desire to do their absolute best – and they certainly did. What superstars they are, and how proud they have made us all.

Just as importantly, we have seen how incredibly supportive the children in our other year groups have been. Their quiet, considerate behaviour throughout the week and their encouragement of Year 6 demonstrated maturity, kindness and respect. It really showed what a tremendous team we have here at Chalkwell.

I would also like to thank our staff. This truly is a team effort, built on a shared ethos to nurture, support and stretch every child so that they can achieve their personal best each and every day. We remain committed to continuing to improve our provision and adapt what we offer to meet the needs of all the children we teach and care for.

*With just **four days left in school next week** (a reminder that **Friday is an INSET Day, so no pupils are required in school**), we are already almost halfway through the summer term. Time is flying – but we are enjoying every moment of it.*

Warm regards,

Andy Newnham

Headteacher

Dates for Your Diary

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- **Wednesday 20th May - 6pm Y4 PGL Parents Meeting**
 - **Thursday 21st May - Class Photos**
 - **Friday 22nd May - INSET day - non-pupil day**

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- *Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th June - Y4 PGL / Activity Week*
 - *Wednesday 10th June - pm Borough Sports*
 - *Friday 12th June - SPORTS DAY (am Lower School/pm Upper School)*
 - *w/c Monday 15th June - Swimming start (4 weeks)*
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SCHOOL NEWS

Well done Year 6!

We just wanted to take a moment to tell you how incredibly proud we are of each and every one of you.

You approached your SATs this week with maturity, determination and a positive attitude. You showed resilience, focus and calm, and you should be extremely proud of the effort you put in. The way you supported one another and gave your very best says a great deal about you as individuals and as a year group.

SATs are just one small part of your journey, but the perseverance and confidence you showed will take you much further than any test ever could. Now it's time to take a breath, enjoy the weeks ahead, and celebrate everything you've achieved.

Well done, Year 6 – you truly rose to the challenge.

We are so proud of you.

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Staff Leaving in July - Mr Fleming

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying goodbye to Mr Aaron Fleming, who will be leaving us to take up an exciting secondary teaching post at The Eastwood Academy, where he will be teaching English.

Mr Fleming joined Chalkwell Hall Junior School in September 2020 as an early career teacher. Since then, he has developed into a highly valued member of our staff team, known for his commitment to pupils, his enthusiasm for learning, and his contribution to many aspects of school life.

While we are very sorry to be losing him, we are incredibly proud that he is taking this next step in his career. Secondary teaching is something he has thoughtfully considered for some time, and we know he will make a fantastic contribution to his new school.

We thank Mr Fleming for everything he has given to our school community and wish him every success for the future. He will be greatly missed, and we look forward to enjoying the remainder of the year with him.



ENTREPRENEUR CLUB

This week our Entrepreneur Club had their first opportunity to sell their wares - with Year 3 and 4 being their eager and respectful buyers. We had several members of the club sell out of their items, so they will be hard at work ready for next week's sale to Year 5 and 6. If your child missed out on an item that was sold, or did not have enough for something they wanted, we have some amazing news to share. Our Entrepreneur Club have been invited to host a stall at the Summer Fayre on Sunday 14th June! We will be sharing more details about this exciting opportunity over the coming weeks.

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For now, have a look at some of the items that were on sale in the images of our Entrepreneur Club members.



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LEIGH ART TRAIL coming soon!



Schools' Art Exhibition & Competition

PRIMARY SCHOOLS



Where
Saint Pierre School
16 Leigh Road, SS9 1LE

When
Saturday 4th July, 11am-3pm
Sunday 5th July, 11am-3pm

SECONDARY SCHOOLS



Where
Leigh Road Baptist Church
SS9 1NN

When
Saturday 4th July, 10am-4pm
Sunday 5th July, 10am-4pm

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DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Thursday 11th June - NON UNIFORM DAY in exchange for Summer Fete Raffle prizes!

Please note we have our annual non-uniform day to support of our PTA Summer Fete. All we ask in return for your child wearing non-uniform that they bring in a donation for the ever popular raffle.

*Chocolates and bottles are most welcome as raffle prizes! Remember all proceeds from this fantastic day goes back into enhancing the experiences of your child at CHJS! *this is not on Friday, due to it being our Sports Day!*

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HUNGRY CUPBOARD!

🌟 Well Done 6AD – Hungry Cupboard Heroes!

*We would like to say a **huge well done to class 6AD** for their fantastic efforts in supporting the **Hungry Cupboard** initiative.*

*Thanks to their enthusiasm, teamwork and commitment, a wonderful collection of donations has been gathered, all of which will be delivered to the **SVP Foodbank** to support families in need. The class have shown great responsibility, kindness and compassion, living out our school values in a very meaningful way.*

We are incredibly proud of 6AD for leading this initiative and would also like to thank all families who supported the project through their generous donations.

An excellent example of pupils making a real difference to their community – well done, 6AD! 🍷 🙌



Food Bank Items of Need

UHT Milk	Jams & Spreads
Pasta sauces	Tins of veggie food
Tins of fruit	(macaroni cheese/ veggie
Tinned Meat pies	ravioli etc)
Mayo	Sugar
Butter	Tuna
Nappies	Coffee
Wet wipes	Biscuits
Crisps/ biscuits	Cereal Bars
Tuna	Tinned Tomato
Crackers	Toiletries
Tinned meat meals	Cereal
Pot Noodles	Pasta
Pasta in sauces	Instant Noodles
Mince	Sausage
Tea	Cheese

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PTA NEWS

Summer Term means just 1 thing for the PTA ... full steam ahead with Summer Fete planning & prepping and we need your help!! As Tesco say, 'every little helps' and it really does, so if you can spare an hour or 2 please volunteer via your class rep or email ptachalkwellhall@gmail.com.

This year we are planning a jam-packed afternoon of fun for everyone with more attractions than ever before!

Games - there will be a few new additions to the games stalls, including some World Cup themed ideas, as well as all the favourites. Games token cards are now available to pre-order online at <http://www.pta-events.co.uk/chalkwellhallpta> for £3 each (10 x 30p games).

Inflatables - there will be a giant slide & large castle for the children to enjoy at £2 per turn. Alternatively, you can buy a wristband for unlimited fun for £5 now available online at <http://www.pta-events.co.uk/chalkwellhallpta>

Animal Encounters - limited spaces to get up close with interactive hands-on shows hosted by Party Pets. Animals will include lizards, snakes, geckos, tarantulas and more! Pre-book your space at one of the 5 shows online at <http://www.pta-events.co.uk/chalkwellhallpta> (only children require a ticket, but must be supervised by an adult at all times.) An extra show for SEN children is available and emails will be sent out via the schools.

Pony Cycles - back by popular demand following the success at the Christmas Fayre!

Crazy Sand Craft Stall - children choose a bottle and fill it with colourful layers of sand creating their own sand art to take home.

Raffle - we have some amazing prizes this year and letter and tickets will be coming home in a couple of weeks!

Money Tree - the children's favourite stall!!! Choose an envelope and win the contents! Envelopes will be sent home with every child in a couple of weeks - please return them to school filled, so as many children as possible can enjoy this stall this year!

Choir Performances: 12.30pm - Junior Choir 1pm - Infant Choir

Also available: BBQ, bar serving Pimms, G&T, prosecco & beer, soft drinks, candy floss, sweets, crisps, strawberry cups, tombolas, pre-loved uniform, pre-loved books and games, ice cream van, face painting & local stall holders.

NON-UNIFORM DONATION DAY - THURSDAY 11TH JUNE

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In exchange for wearing non-uniform, we kindly ask, if you can, to donate wine or chocolates for our very popular tombolas at the Summer Fete.



 **CHALKWELL HALL INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOLS PTA** 

SUMMER FETE

**SUNDAY 14TH JUNE
12 - 4PM**

(OPEN FROM 11.30AM FOR OUR SEN FAMILIES ONLY)

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS *(PRE-BOOK ONLINE IN ADVANCE TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT)*
PONY CYCLES *(COURTESY OF LITTLE RIDERS)*
INFLATABLES *(COURTESY OF ELLIS LEISURE)*
RAFFLE
FACE PAINTING
PIMMS TENT & BAR
BBQ
WINE & CHOCOLATE TOMBOLAS
GAMES STALLS
GIFT STALLS
ICE CREAM VAN
... AND LOTS MORE!!!

EVERYONE WELCOME!

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SCHOOL DINNER MENU - Next week: WEEK 1

WEEK 2

AVAILABLE DAILY WE HAVE:
TORTILLA WRAP WITH A SELECTION OF FILLINGS
HAM, TUNA (F), HOUMOUS (SS), CHEESE (MK),
VEGAN CHEESE (VG), EGG (E), MAYO (E) (MU)
A COLD SALAD BAR
SWEETCORN, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CARROT, LETTUCE
WATER AND MILK / A SELECTION OF DESSERTS / A FRUIT BOWL
(ALTERNATIVE PUDDINGS ARE AVAILABLE OCCASSIONALLY)

WACKY WEDGE MONDAY

HOMEMADE CHEESE AND TOMATO PIZZA / VEGE PIZZA (MK) (G) 9V) (ON A MHOEMAEEL BASE AND HIDDEN VEG) WITH
OVEN BAKED POTATO WEDGES (VG), AND MIXED VEGETABLE MEDLEY: GREEN BEANS/SWEETCORN/ CARROTS/PEAS (VG)

THIRILY PASTA TUESDAY

TRICOLOUR PASTA (G) (VG) WITH
HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE (WITH HIDDEN VEG) (C1) AND GRATED CHEESE (MK),
GARLIC BREAD (G) (MAY CONTAIN MK) AND BROCCOLI (VG)

FINTASTIC THURSDAY

OVEN BAKED FISH FINGERS (G) (F) OR
OVEN BAKED VEGE FINGERS (G) (VG) WITH CHIPS (VG),
PEAS AND SWEETCORN (VG) AND
KETCHUP (VG) OR TARTARE SAUCE (V) (MU) (E)

WEDNESDAY FAVOURITES

PORK SAUSAGE TOAD IN THE HOLE (G) (MK) (E) (S) OR
MEAT FREE SAUSAGE TOAD IN THE HOLE (G) (MK) (E) (S) (V) WITH OVEN ROASTED POTATOES (VG) (G),
BROCCOLI (VG), CARROTS (VG) AND GRAVY (VG)


FIREY FEAST FRIDAY

OVEN BAKED BREADED CHICKEN GOUJON (G) OR BREADED MEAT FREE GOUJON (G), WITH
HOMEMADE KATSU CURRY SAUCE (CCN) (SOY)(CY)(VG) AND STEAMED RICE AND CARROTS (VG)

WE WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR CHILDREN WITH ALLERGIES
THIS MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ALLERGENS PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

SCHOOL MENU - ALLERGENS


G	CEREALS CONTAIN GLUTEN (WHEAT, BARLEY, RYE, OATS, KAMUT, SPELT)	N	TREE NUTS
MK	MILK	P	PEANUT
E	EGG	L	LUPIN
SS	SESAME SEEDS	MU	MUSTARD
CY	CELERY	SOYB	SOYBEAN
V	VEGETARIAN	MDL	MOLLUSCS
VG	VEGAN	CR	CRUSTACEANS
F	FISH	S	SULPHITES
		CCN	COCONUT



WE WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR CHILDREN WITH FOOD ALLERGIES

OUR HEAD COOK, IS HAPPY TO DISCUSS YOUR CHILD'S INDIVIDUAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS AND ALLERGIES WITH YOU

WHERE POSSIBLE, ALL OUR MEALS ARE FRESHLY PREPARED, USING QUALITY, LOCALLY SOURCED INGREDIENTS



We Are an Allergy Aware School.

SPORT @ CHJS

No sport this week, lots on next week including Football at Roots Hall! Godd luck to all taking part

Learning highlights this week!

Year 3

What a way to start the week - with a wonderful trip to Colchester Museum! We had such a fabulous day and the children loved exploring Roman artefacts, building a Roman villa and setting up a Round

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House, and taking a tour underneath the castle. It was amazing to hear them share their existing knowledge with museum staff and see the enjoyment on their faces as they learnt more about the Celts and Romans.

A massive THANK YOU to all those who joined us on the trip and to those who volunteered to come. We cannot run days like this without additional adults and greatly appreciate all the parental support we receive.

In Maths, we have started a new topic of angles. The children have learnt what an angle is, identified them in shapes and learnt to recognise acute, obtuse and right angles.

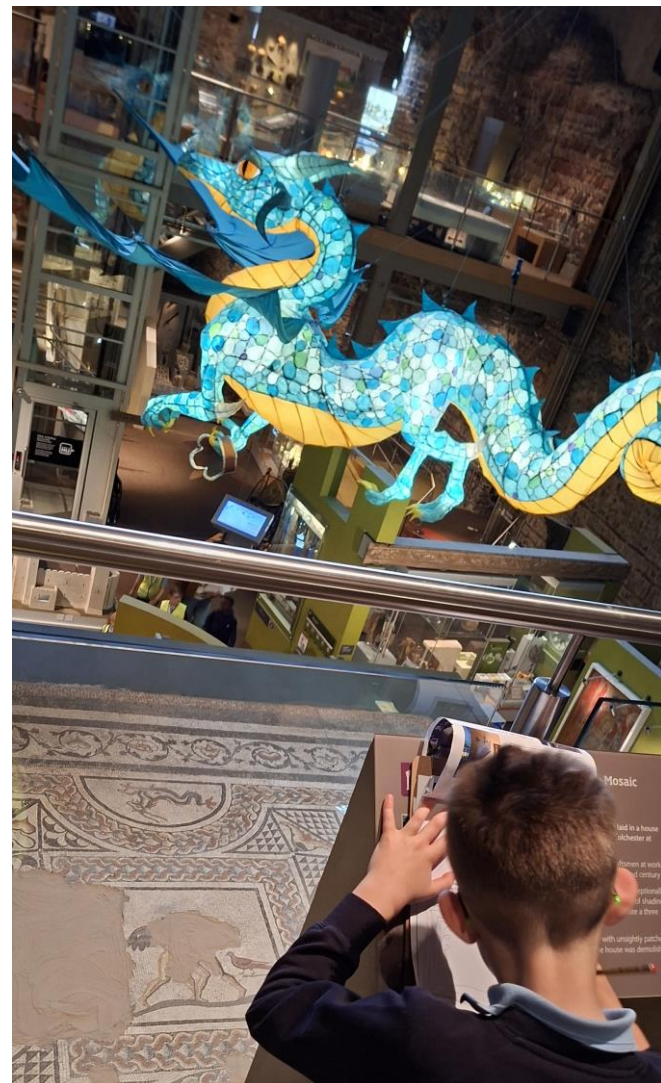
We have had a very creative week in English with the children planning and writing their own adventure stories. It has been lovely to see so many of the skills taught in previous weeks being included in their own writing, Creativity has also been a theme within R.E this half term. The children have had to work collaboratively to plan and make a piece of art that answers a given religious question. They have had free choice of the materials they wished to use and will be hopefully completing their pieces next week.



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Year 4

Year 4 have had another fantastic week of learning. In Maths, the children have been exploring symmetry, which has been challenging at times, but they have shown excellent resilience and perseverance throughout. In Writing, we focused on a shared write, making our own exciting adaptations to our class text, The Firework-Maker's Daughter.

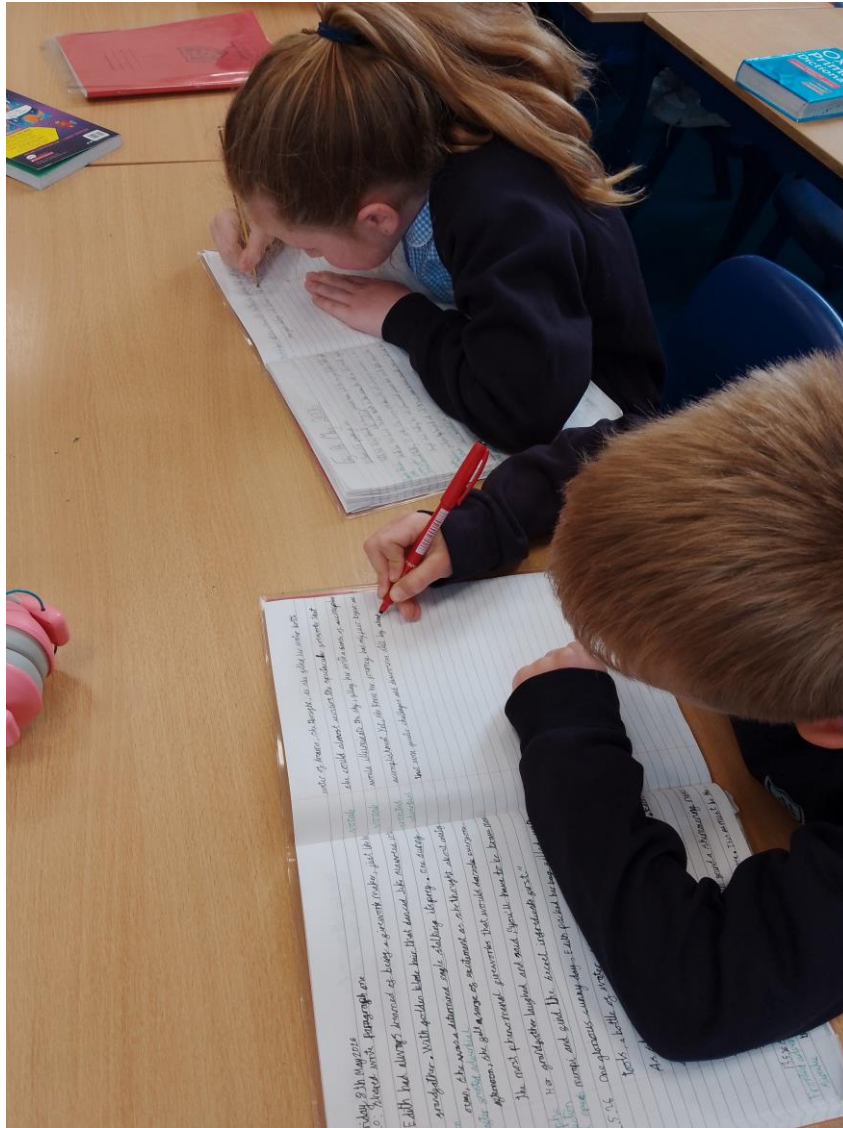
During Geography, the children created informative booklets about life in volcanic areas, focusing on location, diet, adaptations and key characteristics. In Art, the children have thoroughly enjoyed experimenting with glue batik techniques and painting over their patterns to create vibrant designs.

We have also loved seeing all the creative homework coming in and the children were especially excited to explode even more volcanoes this week!

Well done, Year 4, on such a brilliant week.



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Year 5

We've had a wonderfully busy and creative week in Year 5!

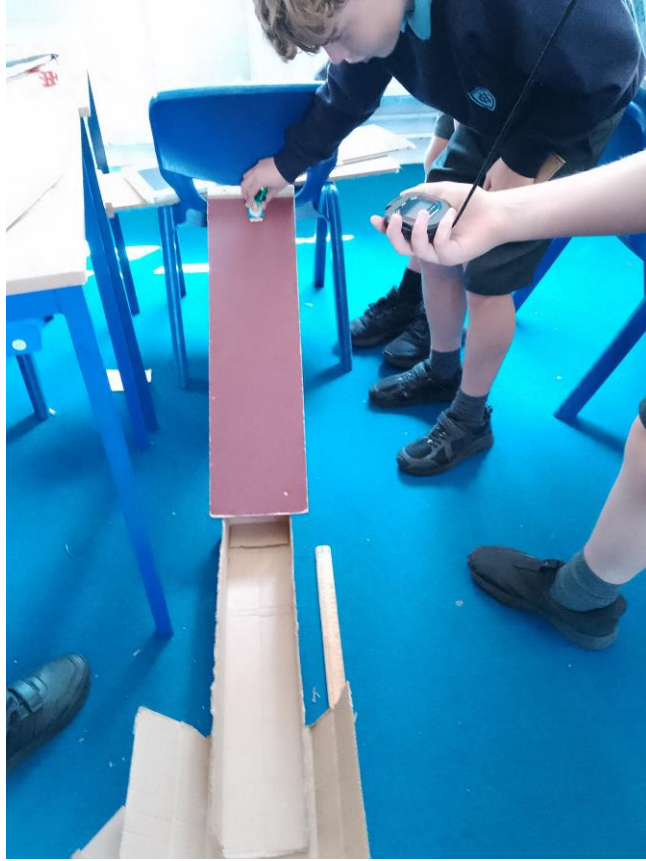
We began by exploring photo editing, learning how to adjust, enhance and transform images using different digital tools. We experimented with colour, contrast and special effects, and we loved seeing how much a picture can change with just a few thoughtful edits.

It's also been our English and Science project week, and we've thrown ourselves into investigating the big question: "What is friction". We began by planning our own enquiries, deciding what we wanted to test and how we would collect reliable results. Throughout the week, we carried out hands-on experiments: sliding objects across different surfaces, comparing materials, and observing how friction changes movement. We recorded our findings carefully, using diagrams, tables and clear scientific language to explain what we noticed. We then used our scientific work as inspiration for writing. To finish, we presented our investigations to the class, sharing not only our conclusions but the reasoning and evidence behind them.

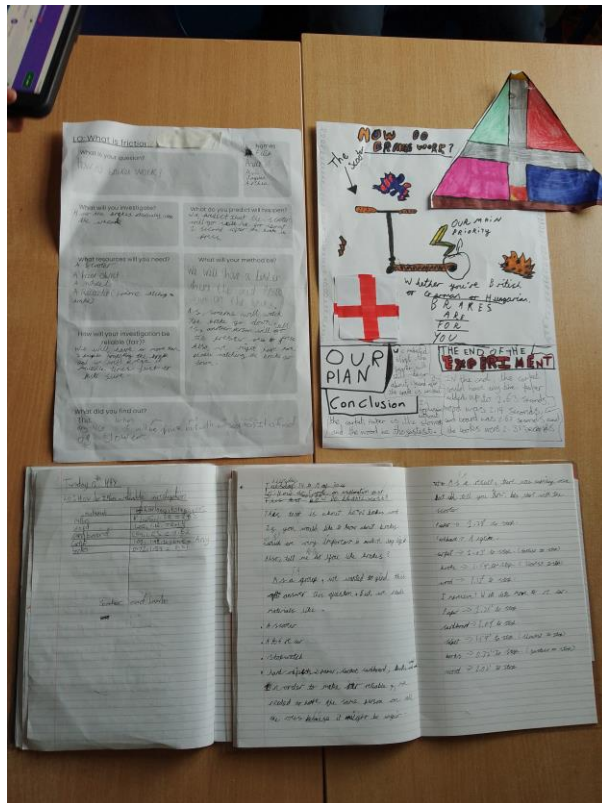
It's been a week full of curiosity, creativity and teamwork, and we're really proud of everything we've achieved together.



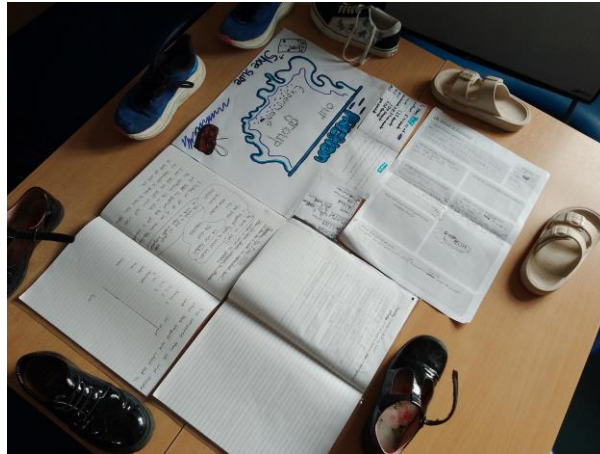
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Year 6

This week, our Year 6 pupils completed their SATs, and we could not be prouder of them. They approached each day with determination, a real will to do their very best, and a genuine sense of support for one another. It has been wonderful to see the way they have encouraged and looked out for each other throughout.

Each morning, we welcomed them in early for breakfast, and the hall was filled with the comforting smell of toast (sometimes very well done!). These moments together were really special – a calm, positive start to the day, helping to ease any nerves and giving everyone a chance to feel ready.

It is a lovely memory for us all, and one that the children should feel incredibly proud of.

Well done, Year 6 – you truly deserved your afternoon of fun and treats at the park!

Achievement Awards



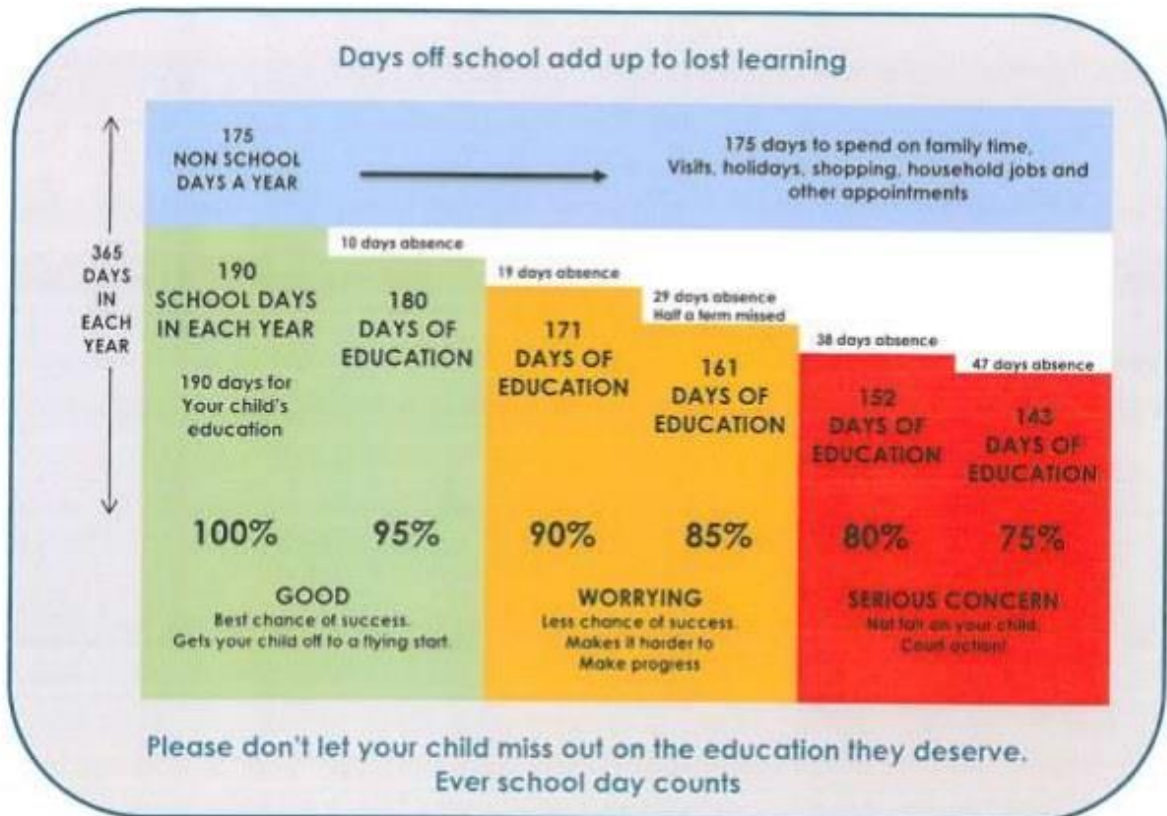
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Today, it was a delight to give recognition to so many children for embodying our core values of Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Cooperation, Creativity, and Enquiry. A huge well done to everyone—there are so many superstars at CHJS! Your hard work and dedication truly shine, making our school community a wonderful place to learn and grow together. Keep up the fantastic effort, and let's continue to support one another in our journey of learning!



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Attendance & Punctuality



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK - 97.0% (+0.3%)

Weekly Attendance by Year Group

Year 3 = 97.9% (-1)

Year 4 = 98.6% (+1)

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Year 5 = 95.4% (-0.7)

Year 6 = 97.3% (+1.3)

Lower School Winners = 3CH & 4SR (99.7%)



Upper School Winners = 6AF (97.7%)



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Community News

MAY HALF TERM SPECIAL

Year 4 Multiplication Check Workshop

A fun, confidence-boosting session *to help it click!* ♥



- Simple tricks & patterns (no boring drills!)
- Build speed & confidence
- Small, supportive group
- Perfect for Year 3 & 4

Fun, Engaging, Effective!

£15 per child

THURSDAY 28TH MAY 10-11am

1-HOUR live online workshop

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- ARE TEAM PLAYERS
- SHOW RESPECT & HAVE A GREAT ATTITUDE

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WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY



Please contact Phil on 07361534975 or Pete on 07807074674 to register interest.
Looking for med to experienced players for all positions.
Current year 6 year 7 players

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- Great exercise for your child in a private and safe facility
- Technique practice, matchplay and lots of fun tennis games

Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th May

Full Camp - 09:30-2:00 £22.75 for club members / £24.50 for non members

Morning Camp - 09:30-11:45 £13.50 for club members / £14.50 for non members

Afternoon Camp - 11:45-2:00pm £13.50 for club members / £14.50 for non members

Early Drop Off 09:00am - £5.00

General Info

Suitable for all abilities aged 4-16 and players split in to age groups

All equipment provided

Please bring a drink/ snack and packed lunch if attending a 09:30-2:00 camp

To book, please scan the QR code





JUNIOR

TENNIS CAMP

Chalkwell Park

25 - 29 May 2026
9:00 - 11:30am
5-10 / 11-16 years

Action packed holiday camps with team challenges, tennis skills, games and prizes.



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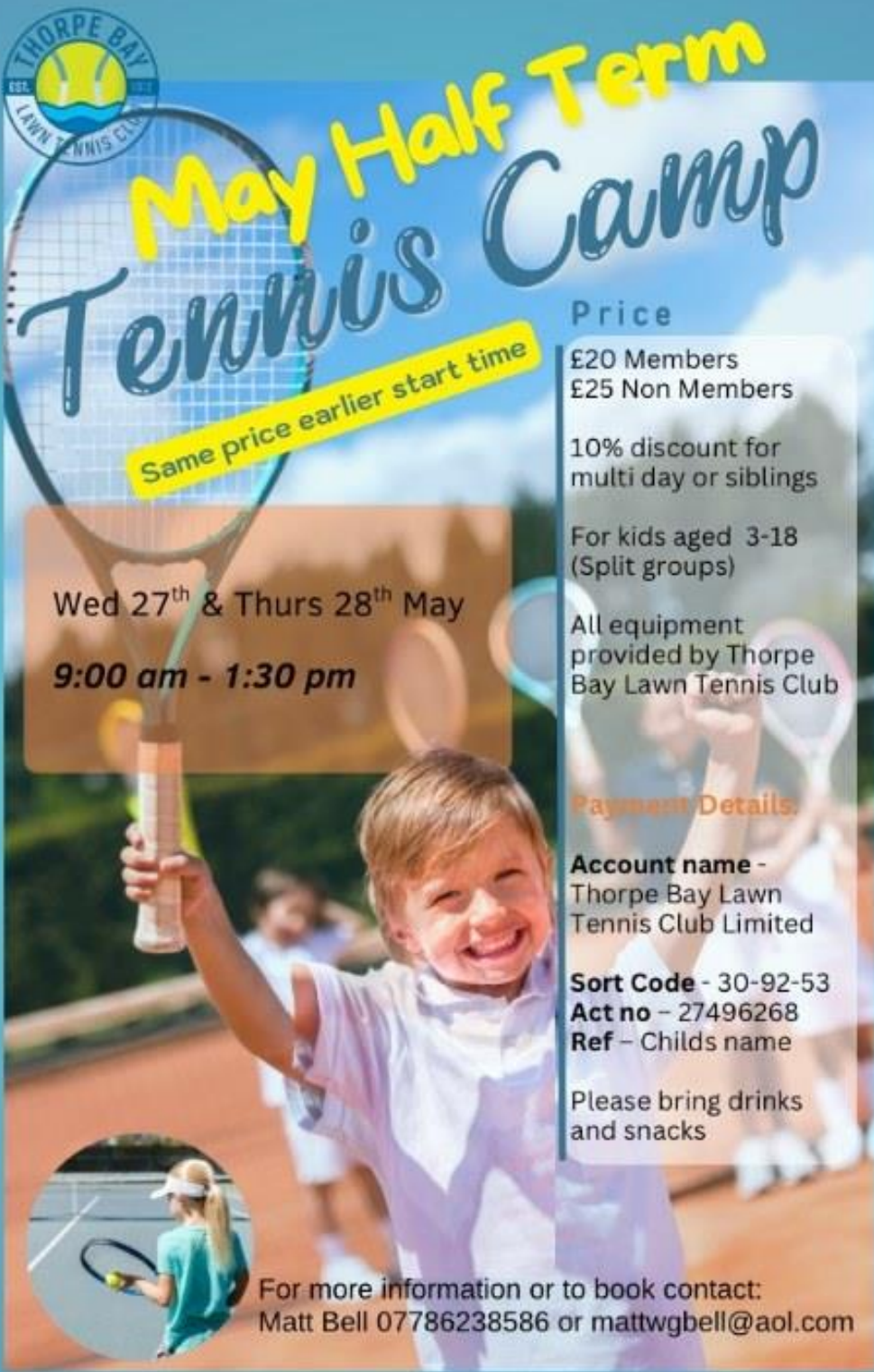
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CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION -
HELLO@NATIONALTENNIS.ORG.UK

The logo for the LTA Youth program, featuring the letters "LTA" in a stylized font above the word "YOUTH".

YOUTH





THORPE BAY
LAWN TENNIS CLUB

May Half Term Tennis Camp

Same price earlier start time

Wed 27th & Thurs 28th May
9:00 am - 1:30 pm

Price
£20 Members
£25 Non Members

10% discount for multi day or siblings

For kids aged 3-18 (Split groups)

All equipment provided by Thorpe Bay Lawn Tennis Club

Payment Details:

Account name - Thorpe Bay Lawn Tennis Club Limited

Sort Code - 30-92-53
Act no - 27496268
Ref - Childs name

Please bring drinks and snacks

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Matt Bell 07786238586 or mattwgbell@aol.com

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Dates for your diary:

Monday 18th May - 6pm Drama Club performance of Wizard of Oz

Tuesday 19th May - Football tournament @ Roots Hall (Boys & Girls selected team)

Wednesday 20th May - 6pm

Thursday 21st May - Class Photos

- Last day of half-term - May half term

Friday 22nd May - Non-Pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

Monday 1st June - Back to school after half term

Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th June - Y4 trip to Windmill Hill / Activity Days

Wednesday 10th June - pm Borough Sports

Thursday 11th June - Non-uniform day in return for PTA Summer Fete donations for the raffle!

Friday 12th June - Sports Day - am Y3&4 / pm Y5&6

Sunday 14th June - PTA Summer Fete 12-3pm

w/c 15th June - Junior swimming starts (4 weeks)

Friday 26th June - Governor Day

Friday 3rd July - Y6 Transition Day / Meet new teacher day

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July - Leigh Art Trail

Wednesday 8th July - Open classroom 3:15-4:15pm

Thursday 9th July - End of year reports home

Friday 10th July - Y6 trip to Adventure Island

Wednesday 15th July - 1:30pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly to parents

Thursday 16th July - 1:30pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly to parents

Friday 17th July - Last day at school - Summer Holidays

Monday 20th July - Non-Pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

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