

Dear Chalkwell Family,

As we draw the curtains on another fantastic year at our school, I just wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt appreciation for every single one of you in our wonderful community. Parents, carers, family members, friends, visitors, and of course, my incredible staff team — thank you for your unwavering support.

But most importantly, to THE BRILLIANT CHALKWELL CHILDREN: what a year you've had! Your achievements have been nothing short of remarkable. I am continually inspired by your kindness, enthusiasm, curiosity, and, let's not forget, your fantastic sense of humour. After all your hard work, you all thoroughly deserve a well-earned break, and for some of you, exciting new adventures await in the year ahead.

To our amazing Year 6 pupils, know how deeply proud we are of you. You have been exemplary ambassadors for our school, and we eagerly anticipate your future successes. The way you have grown this year fills us with pride.

To the children in Years 2, 3, 4, and 5, we can't wait for all the excitement and adventures that next year will bring. There's so much to look forward to!

As we head into the summer, I wish you all a wonderful and safe break. Thank you for your incredible support throughout the year. Enjoy every moment!

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."



CHALWELL PARK/LEIGH CRICKET CLUB - WEDNESDAY 23rd JULY

With regards to this afternoon after school finishes - our friends at Leigh Cricket club will be opening their doors from 3:30pm. They will be accepting card payments only. They happy to open up their clubhouse but please could we as a community respect their facilities, take any rubbish home and accompany children when using the toilets.

SCHOOL NEWS

Goodbye to Mrs Beck, Mrs Thompson & Mrs Weir

Today we said a fond farewell to Mrs Beck, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Weir who worked their last days at CHJS. We had a great send-off for them on Friday and were able to thank them for the fantastic contribution they given to our school over many years!

Mrs Beck will be retiring and will be spending lots of time with her family; Mrs Thompson will be taking up a new position in a local secondary school and Mrs Weir will be realising a long term ambition and relocating with her husband in the west country taking up a new position in a school there.

We consider ourself a Chalkwell Family and as three of our dearly loved staff 'fly the nest' we send them our love and best wishes in their new adventures. Like family, we will always be here waiting to hear lovely things about how they are getting on.

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!







Goodbye to our Magnificent Year 6!

Today, we had the bittersweet pleasure of saying goodbye to our Year 6 children, our Class of 2025! What a wonderful group you are—resilient, fun, creative, and, most of all, extraordinarily kind. We are so proud of each one of you, today and every day you've been with us.

This morning, we held our whole school assembly and truly hope we gave you the send-off you deserve! It was a moment filled with memories, laughter, and a few tears, as we celebrated your journey through school. We will miss you dearly, but we know you are ready to embark on a new adventure in secondary school. As I concluded the assembly, I shared these inspiring words:

"And will you succeed? Yes! You will, indeed! (98 and ¾ percent guaranteed.) Kid, you'll move mountains! So...be your name Buxbaum or Bixby or Bray or Mordecai Ale Van Allen O'Shea, you're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So...get on your way!"

Lovely job, Year 6! Always aim high and keep smiling. You're off to do amazing things!





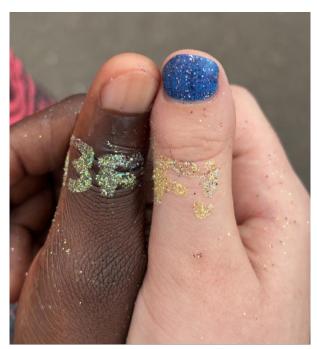


























































































Letter to Year 6



Dear Year 6,

As your time at Chalkwell Hall Junior School draws to a close, I feel compelled to reach out and share a few thoughts with you. With just a few short days left, I wanted you to know how truly special you are as a cohort. Each of you brings something unique to our school community, and I have had the privilege of witnessing your individual journeys unfold over the past four years.

It's remarkable to think that we all arrived at Chalkwell Hall for the first time in September 2021, filled with excitement and a sense of endless possibilities. While you were undoubtedly bright-eyed and full of youthful enthusiasm, I remember feeling a touch nervous as well. I often wonder if you felt the same way. I know, for a few of you, the first day was overwhelming. But together, we have navigated these waters, learning and growing along the way.

You are the first true 'Newnham cohort', and this connection brings me immense joy. I am exceptionally proud of the young individuals you have become. My hope has always been to support you in every way possible, ensuring you experience all that you need before venturing into secondary school. It's hard to grasp the idea that soon, we won't be giving high-fives and fist pumps at the gate every morning.

Reflecting on your journey, I am in awe of how you have faced the myriad challenges life has thrown your way. You have shown incredible resilience, transforming obstacles into stepping stones for growth. Each of you has contributed your unique personality to our school, and I genuinely look forward to hearing about your future successes as you embark on the next chapter of your lives. You possess a wonderful array of talents and interests, whether it be writing captivating stories, excelling in football, demonstrating prowess in Mathematics, showcasing your artistic flair, becoming computer whizzes, or baking mouth-watering treats. There simply isn't enough space to list all your incredible skills here! Embrace these talents and build upon them. Dream big and aim high. If your ambitions evolve, don't be discouraged; it's perfectly alright to explore new paths. Life may present challenges that seem daunting, but remember to view them as opportunities for growth.

Remember, a positive mindset attracts positivity. Embrace mistakes as valuable learning experiences and pick yourself up to try again. Be brave in meeting new people and exploring activities outside your comfort zone. I encourage you not to confine yourselves to friendships with those who share all

your interests; listen and embrace those who come from different backgrounds and have varied perspectives.

As you grow older, you will learn more about yourselves. Stay true to who you are. Never feel pressured to become someone you're not. Most importantly, have fun, smile, and spread joy to those around you. We will miss each one of you dearly, so do stop and say hello when you see us around!

I hope that as you look back on your time at Chalkwell Hall Junior School, you are filled with happy memories. Wishing you all the luck and success in the world as you take this exciting next step.

Warm regards,

Mr Newnham & everyone at Chalkwell Hall Junior School



PTA FINAL NEWSLETTER!





HOORAY, WE MADE IT!!!

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We've introduced some new events, including a Junior Silent Disco (that was far from silent!), Spring Plant Sale, Fab Bricks and Reception Tea Towels, as well as seeing the return of our much loved fundraisers: infant Christmas card creations, wreath making, Christmas Fayre, 2 Christmas Bazaars, 2 Santa's Grottos, infant Bunny Hop, Easter Egg draw, Quiz Night, Make the Rules day, Inflatable Fun Day and the Summerr Fete!

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation this year, bought pre-loved uniform, discounted theatre and attraction tickets and supported our school lottery.

A HUGE thank you to everyone who has volunteered and helped to make all of this possible: Team Chalkwell you are amazing!!!! Most importantly, all of this has given the children lots of fun and memories to cherish, as well as enhancing their school life by providing additional resources and experiences

Thank you and enjoy the summer!

THANK YOU & GOOD LUCK!

Wednesday marks the end of an era for many Chalkwell families and we wish all our leavers and their families all the love and happiness for the future. Good luck in your next chapter. Thank you for all your support over the years, we will miss you!



Thank you to our wonderful sponsors this year: Coulson James, who have sponsored both the Christmas Fayre & Summer Fete, donated raffle prizes and sold Adventure Island tickets on our behalf; Dash! who have sponsored the Summer Fete & donated 20% of their takings from Coffee in the Carpark; Create98 who sponsored the Summer Fete; and Furniture Outlet who sponsored our Quiz Night!





As we say goodbye to our leavers and their families, we sadly say goodbye to many fabulous volunteers, including our fabulous Chief Elf, Lee, who has helped in the Grotto for 6 years! We therefore need you to please volunteer and join the craziness that is the PTA, so we can continue to run fabulous events and support our schools! We are always looking for new ideas and energy, so if you have any time to spare and would like to find out more, please get in touch to see how you can help make a difference. Many hands really do make light work and the PTA can only continue with your help!

Class Reps - as our children change classes, we will need new class reps to help forward our messages via your class WhatsApp groups. Please get in touch if you are able to help with this.

Committee Members - we will have our AGM in September where new committee members will be elected, so that the PTA can continue. If you'd like to find out more please get in touch.

ADVENTURE ISLAND TICKETS

Over the summer, you can still buy our discounted tickets to keep the children entertained!



These are available at Coulson James estate agents on Leigh Broadway and the sales from here will still support our schools.

Please note you will need cash as they cannot accept card payment.

Adventure Island Day Pass - £15

EVENTS FOR 2025/26

We are hoping to add some new events to our calendar next year including: • Colour Run • Glo-Disco

- Rainbow Raffle Hampers
 Golden Ticket

If you have any ideas and uld like to get involved please get in touch!

DON'T FORGET:

UNIFORM LABELS - order via Stikins and enter 3979 as the school fundraising number & we will receive

MICROSCOOTERS - please use code PTA CHS if ordering, & we will receive a 6% donation of your order value (at no additional cost to yourself!) www.microscooters.co.uk

LOTTERY - tickets are just £1 each with a winner each week, as well as bonus draws throughout the year! www.yourschoollottery.co.u k/lottery/school/chalkwellhall-infant-and-junior-

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You are good at taking an overview of a situation and objectively considering all options. You can balance differing views and think it's important that everyone gets heard. You know how to chair a meeting so it ends on time and are happy for the buck to stop with you.

YOU COULD BE OUR CHAIR!

Numbers are easy for you. and you can do basic book keeping and reconciliation.

You look after the pennies AND the pounds, especially around event time when money is going in and out.

Accountancy experience is helpful but not required.

YOU COULD BE OUR TREASURER!

Email holds no fear for you! You can run an enormous to-do list, reprioritising on the fly, and write an accurate set of minutes. You can keep an eye on what the rest of the team is doing and make sure their contributions are coming in on time

> YOU COULD BE OUR SECRETARY!

You'd like to actively get involved and have a say.

You don't mind coming to meetings and sharing new ideas.

You're a parent (or guardian) and would like to do something positive.

YOU COULD BE A **COMMITTEE MEMBER!**

🔼 JOIN THE FUN!! 🔼

Meeting new people is one of your favourite things to do and a stranger is just a friend you haven't yet met.

You know the importance of looking after people who are doing you a huge favour and treat rotas like a fun puzzle.

YOU COULD BE OUR VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR!

Words fly from your fingers when you're typing and you can tell a story within a word count.

You know how to talk to people on the page and how to get a message across in print or on social media.

YOU COULD BE OUR COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER!

The environment is important to you and you think reducing landfill is important. At the same time you can be pragmatic about what is actually reusable. You'll be able to pop into school sometimes to manage donations and run pre-loved uniform sales.

YOU COULD BE PART OF OUR PRE-LOVED TEAM!

Supporting local businesses is important to you and you are happy to agree sponsorship options for our events.

Requesting raffle prizes comes naturally, both face to face and via email, as you are very friendly and well organised.

YOU COULD BE OUR DONATION COORDINATOR!





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 friendship 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!









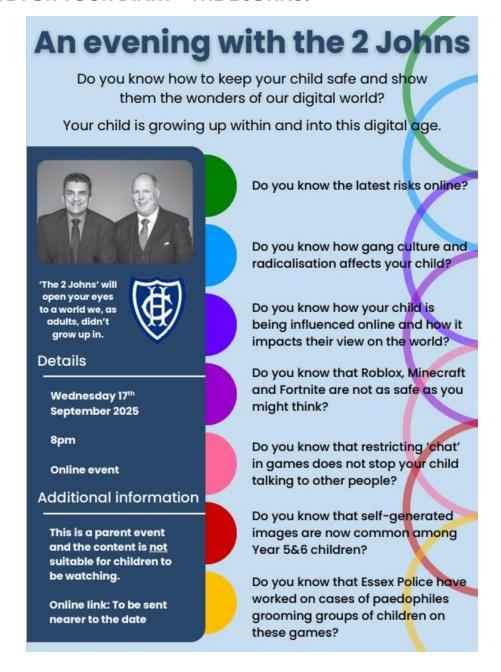




WEEKLY WAKE UP WEDNESDAY PARENT GUIDE



A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - THE 2 JOHNS!



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:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/C4RN99TIYQDH/ref=hz ls biz ex

SPORT @ CHJS

Well done TEAM CHALKWELL!

A huge shout out to everyone who has competed in sport! Your skills, commitment, resilience, and sportsmanship have truly shone through. Each of you should be incredibly proud of your achievements. Keep up the fantastic work, and remember, every step you take is a step towards greater success!

Sporting Opportunities





SOUTHEND PARKS TENNIS OPEN DAY EVENT





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 implete 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 eash. For bank transfers our account details are:

Account name: Leigh on Sea Cricket Club

Sort Code: 30-94-26

Account Number: 00429528

For further details please contact:

	Wilson (Yout 13 658364 or						
NAME:					Age:		
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Please res	serve a space fo	r me on the	Cricket	Summer Camp	for the following	lays:	
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Sign up or ask a question: JSsportCIC@gmail.com





Achievement Awards



This morning, we held our final Celebration Assembly of the school year! We asked each class to vote for someone in their class who has shown all our core values and embodied what it is to be at CHJS...some magnificent comments from their peers and I know all classes were spoilt for choice!

We also gave out a couple of sporting awards to our outstanding athletes who have broken records every year since they have been with us. Well done to the entire TEAM CHALKWELL and our children who were recognised today! Onwards & upwards!





Attendance & Punctuality - WINNERS!

Attendance Guide for Parents/Carers



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS YEAR - 96%



School Winners

YEAR 3 - 3CH

YEAR 4 - 4BR

YEAR 5 - 5RM

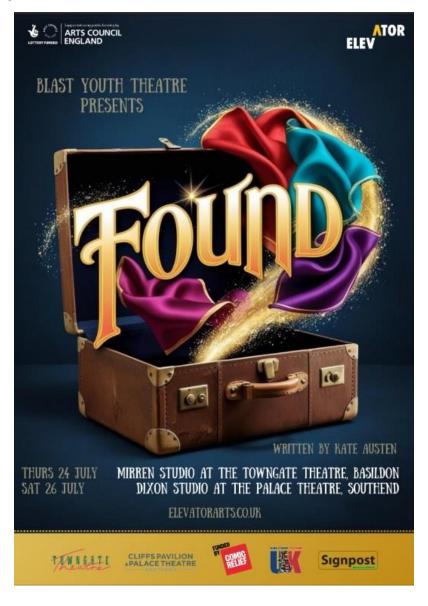
YEAR 6 - 6AD



BEST ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL 2024-25 - 3CH!



Community News













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

Monday 1st September - Non-Pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

Monday 2nd September - Non-Pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER - FIRST DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR - CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Friday 24th October - Last day of half term

Monday 3rd November - First day back after October Half Term

Friday 19th December - Last day at school - Christmas Holidays!

Monday 5th January - First day of Spring Term

Thursday 12th February - Last day of half term

Friday 13th February - Non-Pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

Monday 23rd February - Back to school after February half term

Friday 27th March - Last day of Spring Term - Easter Holidays

Monday 13th April - Back to school after Easter Holidays

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday - School Closed

Thursday 21st May - 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

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

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

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