

CHAGFORD CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

COMMUNITY, CHALLENGE, CARE

‘Let us consider how we can spur each other on to love and good works’ Hebrews 10:24

Important Dates

Wednesday 9th October - School Harvest Assembly 2.45pm

Thursday 10th October – Harvest Bake Sale

Friday 18th October – Woodland School Year R, 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Thursday 24th October – Halloween Bake Sale

Friday 25th October – Halloween Disco



Class Blogs

Reception – Ash Class

The children in Reception have loved settling into school life at Chagford. They have been working so hard to learn new routines; all staff have been very impressed with the Big Robins meeting new high expectations. Well done, we are so proud of you all!

The children have been exploring their new classroom while building relationships and getting to know each other. There has been lots of focused learning on the theme, Marvellous Me as well as some impressive Maths and Phonics.

Here are some photos of our recent Woodland School sessions, buddy reading with Year Two and some Independent Learning time in class.



Year 1 – Beech Class

A warm welcome back to all the children and families after the summer break! Beech class are settling well into their new learning environment in Year 1 and have impressed us with how they are stepping up to the new daily routines. In Phonics we have been reviewing the Set 2 Sounds and, with much anticipation, we will begin the Set 3 Sounds next week! The children have enjoyed exploring the text 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers and have considered carefully how we can look after ourselves and our world. In Maths, lots of counting, sorting and grouping has occupied everyone as well as looking at the concepts of greater than, less than and equal to. Our Woodland School sessions so far, have been blessed with beautiful weather and last week, the children enjoyed making creepy crawlies out of sticks and the like!

Miss Lloyd

Year 2 – Yew Class

Yew class has been reading the wonderful 'Here we are' by Oliver Jeffers, deep diving into the themes in the story and flexing our writing skills with poetry and writing command statements. In Maths we continue to learn about place value and have been exploring how to partition numbers in lots of different ways. Lots of fun with the base ten resources has been had. In Science we are learning about light, and how we see, and ran our first experiment to prove that light travels in a straight line. It turns out, it really does! We have been looking at why the Romans settled London and drawing pictures of their buildings, and in RE exploring what is important to people – ourselves and those of particular faiths. In music, we had a raucous lesson exploring dynamics by making animal sounds in groups. In PE, we have had lots of fun with Mrs Jordan and Mr Frewin, exploring dance and fundamental movement skills. In Forest School we have been enjoying making bug hotels and nature sculptures. And of course, lots of singing. We are learning a song about children speaking different languages, and we sang in the celebration assembly last Friday in front of the rest of the school and the attending parents – a moment the class were very proud of. The class are working together beautifully and are really supportive of one another and kind and encourage each other on. Well done Yew Class!

Miss Hall

Year 3 – Oak Class

Year 3 have made a great start to the year. We are really impressed with their enthusiasm to learn and their hard work. We have been busy writing a 'How to Guide' leaflet for living on Earth based on the text 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. This guide will focus on how to look after ourselves, being a good person and how to care for the environment. We have enjoyed reading the text 'The Pied Piper' and learning the old English versions language in the text. Did you know that the term 'pied' refers to someone wearing patches or multiple coloured clothing? In maths we have been focusing on place value, number bonds up to 100 and the 2-, 5- and 10-times tables. Times Tables Rock Stars

is great for learning times tables skills, and we encourage pupils to have regular practice at home. 1 Minute Maths is also a great App for reinforcing key maths skills([1-minute maths app](#) | [White Rose Education](#)).

Please can phonics packs, home reading books and reading journals come to school every day. We use the texts for reading sessions each day and we will update reading records throughout the week.

Thank you to all parents and carers that attended our Meet the Teacher session.

Mr Green and Mr Frewin

Year 4 and 5 - Birch Class

A busy week for the Year 4`s and 5`s!

Maths: Birch Class have been working through the Place Value unit in White Rose Maths and have recently looked at ordering and comparing numbers.

English: We are currently looking at our book, "Here We Are (Notes for living on Planet Earth)", by Oliver Jeffers. In connection, the children have been writing an information/explanation text in the form of a letter advising ways in which you can stay healthy and look after your body.

BOOK CLUB: The children are enjoying the book, "The Explorer", by Katherine Rundell. A plane has crashed in the Amazon Rainforest and the children, who have survived, must find a way out. They have just discovered the ruins of a "lost" city, but someone sinister is already there to greet them. Exciting stuff!

HISTORY: Birch Class are continuing to learn about Medieval Monarchs. They found the fact about Henry VIII not having to wipe his own bottom particularly fascinating!

It was lovely to see parents and carers at the recent "Meet the Teacher" meeting. Many thanks for your kind words and support. Until next time,

Mr Dray

PTFA

Chagford C of E Primary school
PTFA invites you to

Mini Monster Bash

Friday 25th October
5-7pm
School Hall

Disco, Games & Tuck Shop
Prizes for best fancy dress

*£2.50 per child- forms to be handed in at the
office with payment*



Community Information

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HALLOWEEN CRAFTING & PUMPKIN SOUP



THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER

10AM - 1PM @ ENDECOTT HOUSE, CHAGFORD

Experience a spooktacular Halloween without the waste! Join us for a sustainable family crafting session where we'll create unique decorations. Did you know that each year, 18,000 tonnes of edible pumpkins are discarded? Let's change that together!

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HOLIDAY CLUB TICKET £15

9:45am -3pm

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Monday 30th September 2024



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Saturday 12th Oct 10am-12.20pm
Chagford Jubilee Hall



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All our workshops are free and are open to members of our community, families from other schools and anyone who may be interested in working with likeminded professionals.

Details of our first round of workshops can be found below. To book onto any of our courses please follow the link www.ticketsource.co.uk/tavistock-college24

Date	Event
Wed 25 Sep 2024 5:30pm-6:30pm	Normal Magic mentally healthy living, loving and learning: part 1
Wed 20 Oct 2024 5:30pm-6:30pm	Normal Magic mentally healthy living, loving and learning: part 2
Wed 13 Nov 2024 5:30pm-6:30pm	Stabilising and Recovering from Anxious Times
Wed 20 Nov 2024 5:30pm-6:30pm	Supporting my young person through exams
Wed 27 Nov 2024 5:30pm-6:30pm	Navigating Friendships

Dear Families,

You may remember that back in the summer term, 2023 I wrote to you to share some exciting news regarding our new partnership with mental health charity, Normal Magic, with the aim to promote mentally healthy living and improve the mental health offer for young people within our communities. Normal Magic deliver 0–18-year-old child and young person, early intervention, mental health care at our local GP surgeries.

Our journey started in April 2024 when we hosted our initial introduction event. The event allowed us to invite parents, professionals, and members of our community to discuss and collaborate on improving the mental health of our young people. The feedback and survey results from yourselves supported and aided us in identifying what our young people and community need.

Following our collaborative response we have now trained up over 40 Mental Health Ambassadors with the support of Normal Magic and we are now excited to launch the next phase of our mental health strategy. **Parent and carer workshops** run by experts and professionals from Normal Magic to improve young people's mental health and support parents, friends and families in promoting and supporting mental health in children and young adults.

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Normal Magic mentally healthy living, loving and learning: part 1 - Wednesday 25th September - 5.30-6.30.

Normal Magic mentally healthy living, loving and learning: part 2 - Wednesday 2nd October - 5.30-6.30.

This is a two-part workshop that spans 2 consecutive weeks. Both part 1 and part 2 will need to be attended to fully benefit from the workshop content.

This 2-part workshop explores the simplicity, and complexity, of mental health.

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Supporting my young person through exams - Wednesday November 20th - 5.30-6.30.

GCSE exams come with a variety of pressures, stresses and strains for students. This workshop explores how parents and carers can support their young person through the preparation of exams, including expectations, revision, getting organised and managing internal and external pressures.

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Stabilising and Recovering from Anxious Times - Wednesday November 13th - 5.30-6.30pm.

Throughout our life we are likely to experience situations that create anxiety. Whilst this is a natural human emotion, anxiety can often linger and become an emotional response to everyday living. This workshop explores Anxiety in its many forms and aims to increase parent and carer knowledge on Anxiety and explores supportive strategies to reduce spiralling anxiety and build resilience.

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Navigating Friendships- Wednesday November 27th - 5.30-5.30pm.

Enjoying stable friendships is a wonderful part of living, loving and learning. Across the ages we are likely to experience changes in friendships that can often bring turbulence to the way we feel about ourselves and others. Through teenage years there comes a natural growth of contact with new peers and is an important part of natural development from child to adult, where peers seem to hold more influence than our own families as we create our own herd

outside of family life. This workshop explores how parents and carers can support their young person as they establish their growing social identity and social confidence, amidst the beauty and knock backs social life can bring.

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We aim to provide more workshops in the New Year throughout January, February and March. Based on the current requests through a survey, this is likely to be:

- Living Life to the Full.
- Easing transition from child to young person to independent young adult.
- Repairing Relationship, Forgiveness and Acceptance.
- Communicating and listening.
- Improving School Attendance.
- Helping my Young Person Interpret the World.
- Improving School Attendance.

We sincerely hope that you can join us. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,

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