

# Newsletter

May 2024



Dear Parents & Carers,

We've all loved being able to go out onto the field again, and spending some lessons in the outside classroom. Well done to all our Year 6s who completed their SATs tests this term. Lots coming up in the final few weeks of this academic year, we look forward to seeing you!

Have a great break.

## Oak Class

This half term children in Oak have really enjoyed their art work. We started off working with textiles to create a string of bunting across the classroom which involved using wax resist techniques and also knotting fabric. Next we reinforced the concept of 'Reduce, reuse, recycle' producing two boards of art work which will hopefully be on display at the Suffolk Show on the Suffolk Recycling stand. Finally, it was clay! Modelling a mini Elmer was tricky! Alongside this, there has been learning in lots of different subjects. Writing stories using a five sentence model has been successful – including writing the Elmer story. Also, our seeds are growing well and ready to be transplanted. Lots of children are really excited about the forthcoming sleepover!

## Birch Class

Birch class has been very busy again this half term. Year 6 have been doing final preparations for the SATs and have been preparing for Sports day in between. In Science we have been learning about the environment and the effects humans have on the Earth. In computing the children made blogs and in RE we learnt about heroes of faith. In History we learnt about the Ancient Egyptians and in PE we have been doing tennis and cricket. The pupils have also carried out auditions for the school play and have been given their parts. Watch out for further news!

## Chestnut Class

Our main project this half term has been learning about electrical circuits in Science and using this knowledge to help us make our own lightboxes. Please do have a look on our class page for photographs. We've also been enjoying poetry (limericks, Haikus and acrostic poems) and stories from around the world. In RE, we have focused on Humanism and learnt about Humanist schools in Uganda. Year 4s are working hard at their times tables as they prepare for the government multiplication check which will take place in June.

## Sports and Teams

7 pupils from Birch Class took part in the Gipping Valley orienteering competition. This was hard work but Hattie and Drew were the fourth pair overall. We have recently just taken part in the first round of the cricket tournament and we beat Bosmere Primary by 41 runs. The team will next play Freeman Primary school for a place in the area finals. The whole school recently had a musical theatre enrichment day in which they learnt to act through dance.

## Our Christian Values

We have been learning about LOVE in our assemblies this half term. We have been learning about how much God loves us and how by loving our neighbour, love can be spread around the world.

## Ash Class

We have had another busy half term here in Ash class! The children have been exploring the topics: 'Life in the desert' and 'People who help us'. The children have enjoyed learning about and creating their very own emergency service vehicles and people which they proudly shared in assembly. The children have also created art pieces out of nature and have explored the technique of weaving. They have also been delving into their RE topic: 'What makes every single person unique and precious?'. This has resulted in the beautiful creation of a welcome banner for the classroom. In Maths work we are focussing on number bonds work and our use of doubles. We continue our daily phonics and reading sessions and are now focussing on beginning to write more independently, with dictation sessions and updating our Journals each week. We are looking forward to Sports Day and our school sleepover. We hope all the children and their families have a very safe and enjoyable rest over half term.

Miss Jones and Mrs Mitchell

Mon Jun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Back to school
Tues Jun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Rugby Competition – Ipswich RFC
Fri Jun 7 <sup>th</sup>	Come & Play, Celebration Assembly
Fri Jun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Come & Play, Celebration Assembly
Mon Jun 17 <sup>th</sup>	Ash & Oak trip to Felixstowe
Fri Jun 21 <sup>st</sup>	Come & Play, Celebration Assembly
Fri Jun 28 <sup>th</sup>	P.E Enrichment – Ultimate Frisbee
Fri Jun 28 <sup>th</sup>	Come & Play, Celebration Assembly
Tues Jul 2 <sup>nd</sup>	KS2 Performance 9.30am / 6.30pm
Wed Jul 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2.30pm New Reception Parents
Fri Jul 5 <sup>th</sup>	Reports Out
Fri Jul 5 <sup>th</sup>	Come & Play, Celebration Assembly
Fri Jul 5 <sup>th</sup>	PSA Summer Fayre
Wed Jul 10 <sup>th</sup>	DHS Induction day / Move up day for whole school
Thurs Jul 11 <sup>th</sup>	Values Morning
Fri Jul 12 <sup>th</sup>	Funday Friday
Fri Jul 12 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly
Thurs Jul 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 Leavers Service
Fri Jul 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Leavers Service / All parents assembly
Fri Jul 19 <sup>th</sup>	END OF TERM!

Don't forget to order your class photos from the links emailed out via Parentmail ASAP!



**Dear Creeping School Families,**

Exciting news! As the summer term brings summer sun at last, our PSA are starting to make plans for our annual Summer Fayre. It will be held after school **on Friday 5th July** so be sure to save the date and start saving your pennies!

On a more formal note, you may have read from recent PSA meeting minutes that there has been a re-shuffle within our PSA committee group and we would like to take this opportunity to thank previous members for their hard work and dedication in organising events and fundraising so successfully for our children. Whilst all still a part of Creeping School, we hope that they are able to stay involved in the activities we have planned and to share their invaluable knowledge and experience.

So, the PSA is now arranged as follows: **Co-Chairs** – Nicci Johnson & Hayley Wright; **Vice Chair** – Jodie Barrett; **Secretary** – Louise Brydon; **Treasurer** – Katerina Budinova; **School representative** – Christine Friar.

In case you didn't know, we have a noticeboard beside the main school entrance which will be getting a facelift shortly. All information you need to know about our fundraising efforts and events will be displayed here so please take a look and get in touch if you'd like to be involved!

We have a new PSA email account, [psa.creepingcreepingstmary@gmail.com](mailto:psa.creepingcreepingstmary@gmail.com) so be sure to contact us if you want to have your say. And lastly, do you follow our socials? We are on **Facebook and Instagram** with information and reminders of upcoming events as well as helpful links to support you and your kids along the way.

Please follow and 'like' to join the ride! Warm regards, Your PSA

**Absence**

Regular school attendance is an important part of giving your child the best possible start in life. Students who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and do less well in exams. Research suggests that students who attend school regularly could also be at less risk of getting involved in antisocial behaviour or crime.

Just 17 days absent from school a year could mean a drop in a GCSE grade in all subjects.

**Attendance & Lates from 01/09/23 – 17/5/24**

Ash	96.17%	Remember, the DFE expects all children to attend unless they are too ill to do so.
Oak	96.87%	
Chestnut	96.17%	
Birch	95.39%	
Ash	41 lates	
Oak	59 lates	
Chestnut	15 lates	
Birch	57 lates	

**BACK TO SCHOOL MONDAY JUNE 3RD**