

Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19 June 2020

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Mr Futchter has written a separate letter to families again this week. This has been included as an attachment with this newsletter.

Baby News!

Miss Davis has given us this gorgeous photo of Mia to share with you all. Mia was born on 30th May 2020. Isn't she lovely!



Duchess of Cambridge shares Assembly

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Al8ox2bX_rQ&feature=youtu.be&safe=active

The link above is for the assembly The Duchess of Cambridge shared this week with a reflection on Acts of Kindness during lock down. Falcon class enjoyed taking part in watching and reflecting on their own ideas and acts of Kindness about what kindness means to them and how it makes them feel.

Hold the date

We will be holding a family quiz at 6pm on Friday 3rd July using zoom to enable us to hold a socially distanced social event. Further details to follow.

Class News Roundup

Kingfisher Class

This week Kingfisher class have been on fire! We are loving our new learning grid and have discovered loads of interesting facts about the Loch Ness monster and other mythical creatures. We have written a descriptive piece of writing about our own Loch Ness monster using a plesiosaur as inspiration. The children have made their own individual Nessy scenes and have magically transformed themselves into mermaids and mermen. Another awesome week sweethearts! I have also received some great learning from home and was totally blown away by Amelie and Isabella's edible pond. Fantastic work girls x x x



Woodpecker News

Well another busy week from our Woodpeckers in school and at home! In school we have been drawing and painting magnificent new species of water creatures as well describing them using similes. We have been brushing up on our counting money and shopping skills and of course practicing our weekly spellings ready for a test on Friday. We've been grooving along to the BBC Supermovers videos (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/>), doing the Money Jiggle with Mr Pumpernickle and Rhymes with Radzi!

At home we have seen you getting involved in the Great Science Share with some marvellous investigations and some super work for The Great Bug Hunt. Also, children have combined crafting and maths by making their own clocks to learn to tell the time with. Dancing in the rain seems to have been a fun pastime this week too! Everyone is really doing their best and still READING! READING! READING! Well done you wonderful Woodpeckers!



Nightingale class have had another busy week at home and it's been a joy to hear about what everyone has been doing. I received an especially wonderful email this week from Lillie's mum who said that after thinking about how some elderly residents at the local care home may be feeling at the moment, especially those without nearby family, Lillie has spoken to the manager and now has three pen pals to write to. A wonderful example of Lillie's thoughtfulness towards others. Ethan has been busy as well, and even got a mention on Let's Go Live with Maddie Moate, with a super question about animal's habitats, prompting him to do some den building and practise some survival skills!
Miss Connelly

Robin class have been working super hard this week and have thoroughly enjoyed finding out lots about the Loch Ness Monster! We've been creating Loch Ness collages with multi-coloured monsters and watery blue, green and black paper and writing postcards about seeing the monster for ourselves. Robins been playing lots of games in maths, practising adding and subtracting, and enjoyed outdoor maths at the start of the week in the sunshine, using leaves to count forwards and backwards and find missing numbers. It was exciting to see a couple of our sunflowers have germinated too! Finally, after only two recorder lessons, Robins can now play A, B and G on the recorder, and have had a go at playing along to our catchy song 'Your Imagination'! Phew! What a busy week!
Miss Connelly

Falcon Class

The boys in Falcons class have worked extremely hard on changing and improving given sentences for the traditional Norse tale of 'Beowulf'.

It is a very bloodthirsty tale, and the boys have outdone themselves with additional gruesome detail...much to the delight of Mrs Croker's churning stomach!

As this tale is not for the faint hearted, we have included some excerpts from Falcon's version of Beowulf and Grendel as a separate piece so you can choose whether to share with your children.

Kestrel Class



I've enjoyed hearing from Kestrels at home and hearing about the projects that children have been doing. Amongst others we've had great work on Arctic explorers from Juneau and Oliver, some fantastic construction work from Alex and this rather impressive 3D monster maths project from Maisy - I'm looking forward to seeing the completed version. In school we have been continuing with our financial education, considering the difference between a need and a want and thinking about whether brands are really worth it. Following on from last week's work on educational rights activist Malala Yousafzai we have been looking at the Send My Friend to school campaign. This week is the week of action, which this year focuses on climate change.

Churchfields Poetry Book

As promised we are including our poetry book as a separate PDF this week. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to send in contributions. We hope you all enjoy our book.

Please keep sharing your learning from home with us.

Thank you.

Malala Yousafzai

Whilst working on ideas around transition to secondary school, Y6s came across the inspiring quote "One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world." None of them had heard of its author, schoolgirl and Nobel Prize winner Malala Yousafzai, so we decided to do some research to find out more about her and her inspirational story.

We used what we had discovered to write songs, starting with the lyrics and building up to adding a melody.

Amazing Malala

Malala was a normal girl
She loved her education
She knew that when the Taliban came
They would destroy her nation

*Malala was strong
She knew right from wrong
So she got into a fight
To protect girls' rights*

The Taliban came and said
girls are to leave school
But Malala said no
that can't be a rule

She kept fighting
but the Taliban wanted silence
They shot her in the head
And became even more violent

Malala was rushed to a military hospital
To stay for few nights
The doctors warned her parents
She might not be alright

She then came home
And got settled down
She was absolutely fine
And didn't have a frown

She moved to England
To be very safe
She won a Nobel prize
And had a smile on her face

By Laura

Malala's story

All was peaceful in Pakistan
Until the Taliban came
All of them ran and ran
But nothing was the same

*Girls have a right
Destroy the Taliban's might
Education is worth the fight
Led us to the light*

A girl named Malala shouted out
Then the Taliban got annoyed
They went looking about
Though she tried to avoid

*Girls have a right
Destroy the Taliban's might
Education is worth the fight
Led us to the light*

They tried to make the kill
But they failed
The Taliban only made her ill
And she prevailed

*Girls have a right
Destroy the Taliban's might
Education is worth the fight
Led us to the light*

By Sam

**Celebrating #MakeMusicDay
on Sunday 21 June**

FREE Vocal and Songwriting Workshops

Get the whole family ready to sing and create from wherever you are!

Time: 10am – 12pm

10am: Vocal Workshop

10.30am: “Bring Me Sunshine” Songwriting Session

To celebrate **Make Music Day** this Sunday, 21st June, we'll be going live with free workshops led by **Aga Serugo Lugo** and **Bob Heath**!

Get ready to sing and create with our two fantastic music leaders from wherever you are.

With energetic warm ups and an interactive creative song-writing session, this workshop will be perfect for all ages to get involved. Share with your family and take part together remotely – we'll be livestreaming on [YouTube](#), so all you'll need is a device to be a part of the fun.

Save the event to your calendar, or click [here](#) to set up an email reminder.

[Join the Workshop](#)

To find out more about Make Music Day, including more brilliant ways to get creative at home, click [here](#).