

Dear parents, so many events and fabulous learning at Chorlton C.E Primary this week!

This week, Nursery have been exploring remote control cars and how they work as part of their Understanding the World learning. In Maths, they have been singing 'sleeping bunnies' and talking about 'which number comes after', while hopping along the number track. In Literacy, they named and labelled their favourite fruits and made a Very Hungry Caterpillar food diary.

This week, the children in the Reception Class have been finding out about transport in the past. Their learning challenges have included making transport out of playdough, writing labels for a bus ride and finding the missing number to make ten. In maths lessons they have enjoyed subitising using a rekenrek. Well done Reception!

The children have had a super week in Year 1! We were so proud of all of the children for their progress in phonics which they demonstrated in the phonics screening check. In addition, they have learnt how to count in 2s and 10s in maths, and planned an adventure story in English. In History, they made their own little film about seaside activities 100 years ago. They had a wonderful trip to the Bridgewater Hall on Wednesday and the children thoroughly enjoyed listening to the Halle Orchestra and joining in with the songs that we had learnt at home. They were very impressed by the children's behaviour on the tram and during the concert!

Year 2 have been busy with lots of exciting learning! In Music, they have been exploring traditional Polish dances and songs and had great fun learning and performing a circle dance together. In History, they have been focusing on Mary Seacole and the children worked brilliantly in pairs to create fantastic timelines of her life and achievements. They have also begun our end-of-year assessments. The children have approached them with a mature, sensible, and positive attitude. It has been wonderful to see just how much progress they have made this year – we are incredibly proud of them all!

This week has been a busy one for Year 3! The children have been cracking on with their summer term quizzes, writing brilliant consequential phrases in English, and exploring how people lived during Stone Age Britain during our trip to Tatton Park. Well done Year 3!

Year 4 have had a busy and exciting week! The children enjoyed an immersive visit to an Anglo-Saxon and Viking settlement, where they built shield walls and experienced what life was like in the past. Back in school, they showed great resilience and determination while completing their end-of-term assessments in Maths, Reading and SPaG. Finally, in English, they have also begun planning their own explanation texts, exploring how everyday household items work.

Year 5 have been writing their own scenes that could feature in *The Tempest*, focusing on using relative clauses and stage directions to give more detail. They have learnt about the difference between the internet and the world wide web, as well as how a computer network operates. In History, they carried out an inquiry task based upon the story of the Marathon, thinking about why there are so many versions and why they differ from each other.

Year 6 have had a wonderful week. PGL was absolutely fantastic; the class represented the school brilliantly, took part in every activity with enthusiasm and free times and meal times were full of fun and so much laughter. Photos and videos are sure to be shared in the year 6 leavers video and made available then too. The class had a pause for breath on Thursday, where they completed some brilliant artwork inspired by Marketa Horton and kept up with Shrek & Co. rehearsals. Finally the class ended their week with their last ever primary school sports day...they showed teamwork, gusto and great skills throughout. Brilliant Year 6!

We kindly remind parents that there are currently several outstanding balances for recent school trips. As the school is unable to subsidise these costs, we ask that all remaining payments be settled as soon as possible. Your prompt contribution is vital to ensuring we can continue offering these valuable experiences for our pupils.

We recently sent out a survey to gather your thoughts on pupils using smartphones vs. basic phones. A big thank you to all the parents and carers who have already shared their feedback with us. If you haven't had a chance yet, we would love to hear your thoughts. The survey is completely anonymous and takes less than 5 minutes to complete. Please share your views by clicking the following link: <https://forms.gle/Ji7o4rbZWZexnkjY6>

On Friday 19th June, we will be running the PTA Father's Day event in the afternoon. All children will be able to choose a gift for a loved one during the school day. An optional donation of £5 for each child can be made by our Superkind link: <https://superkind.org/campaign/chorlton-c-e-primary-school-event-in-honour-of-fathers-day>

Have a great weekend!

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