

Chalkhill Primary School Bulletin

Boletín de noticias de La Escuela Primaria de Chalkhill

Friday 19th April 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the summer term, the final term in the school year. This half term is always very busy with SATs for Year 6 and non-statutory assessments for the rest of the students. This week, some children have made us aware that they are worried about not doing well in their assessments. For some children their worries show as headaches or tummy aches. In school, we do try and reassure the children that all we are expecting from them is to try and do their best. There is no pass or fail, no having to stay back a year. The assessments are an indicator for others to know what the children have understood and what they still have to learn. You can support your children by ensuring that they get plenty of rest, have some quality family time and some fun time outdoors. If you are worried about the upcoming assessments, please speak to your child's class teacher or talk to Ms Anthony or myself. We are available both in the mornings and at the end of the day at the front of the school or in the playground.

On Monday, we welcomed Ms Evans, our new interim deputy headteacher. Here is a message from her to you:

Dear Parent and Carers,

I am thrilled to introduce myself as the interim Deputy Headteacher of Chalkhill Primary School.

Over the past two days, I've had the opportunity to immerse myself in our vibrant school community, and I'm truly inspired by the dedication to excellence and the warm welcome from both staff and children.

My experiences as a school improvement leader, recognised primary curriculum developer, Moderator for Brent, NCETM Maths Mastery Specialist, and Link Safeguarding Governor equip me with a comprehensive skill set to make a positive contribution to the senior leadership team at Chalkhill Primary. I am dedicated to ensuring the highest standards of education, fostering enriching learning environments, and prioritising the safety and

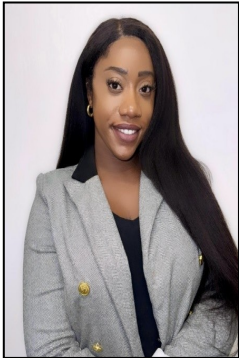
well-being of all our children. As your interim Deputy Headteacher, I am committed to collaborating closely with subject leaders to strengthen teaching quality across all subjects at Chalkhill Primary.

Chalkhill Primary's vision and values deeply resonate with me, and my roots in Brent have instilled a strong sense of responsibility for our community's success and well-being. Therefore, I'll work closely with the Headteacher, the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), and staff to ensure positive outcomes for every child.

I will be available at the school gates on Monday and Tuesday mornings and afternoons. I look forward to meeting you all, and I am excited about the opportunity to work together for the continued growth and success of Chalkhill Primary School.

Sincerely,

Melissa Evans



On Tuesday, we celebrated Eid at school. Class 5C presented an outstanding and very informative assembly about Eid to the school and parents. Thank you to Ms Mallek and Mr Cremin for their engagement and support to the class.

It was wonderful to see a number of parents in school attending this special assembly. I would also like to thank Ms Mallek for organising a wonderful Eid breakfast for all the children to share with their friends in their classes.

Year 4 went on a trip to the Islamic Culture Centre (London Central Mosque) in Regent's Park as part of their religious studies. Thank you to Ms Uwais and Mr Frederick for organizing this amazing opportunity for the children. You can read about their trip on pages 3 and 4. As the children returned from their trip, I asked them how it went, and without exception all children told me that it was amazing, exciting and very special. They informed me that they had had a wonderful time.

I would like to remind all parents of nursery aged children, that you can apply to our school for a nursery place for September. We offer part time and full time places (for parents who are eligible).

If your child is going into Reception after the summer holidays, you need to make sure that you have accepted the place that has been offered to you. If you do not respond to the email from Brent, you may lose your place.

Letters will go out very soon, inviting you to welcome meetings for Nursery and Reception.

Finally, I would like to invite you all to our termly Parent Forum in the assembly hall on Thursday, 25th April at 9am. There will be an opportunity to tour the outdoor school environment to find out about all the wonderful work HS2 has done for our school.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Shanker

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Chalkhill Primary School Motto LEARNING TOGETHER TO ASPIRE AND ACHIEVE.

Our new school values;
Respect, Empathy, Aspire, Courage, Honesty.
The initials of the five values chosen form the word **REACH**, an acronym that will help us all to remember what we are aiming for within our school community.

— Reach for the stars.



Dates For Your Diary

Parents Forum

Thursday 25th April-9.00am in the KS1 Hall

Wednesday 1st May

Childrens Individual and Sibling Photographs

Attendance award

Week commencing
15th April 2024



goes to:

5A

99%

Attendance



Whole school attendance

92.4%

We always aim to be above 96%

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Wednesday
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*Individual
and
Sibling
Photographs*

Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will take place on Wednesday 1st May 2024.

Please make sure your comes to school smartly dressed in Full School Uniform.

If you do not wish to have your child's photograph taken please email the class teacher or notify the school office staff.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

Here at Chalkhill Primary, we are committed to keeping our children and school community safe. If you have a concern regarding any children or adult please contact us immediately.

For urgent Child Protection matters, outside of school hours, please contact:

Brent Family Front Door - Tel: 020 8937 4300
or email: brent.lscb@brent.gov.uk

Parking outside the school

Parents/Carers we request that you do not park outside the school gates. Stopping the car in the middle of the road to drop off children blocks the road.

This causes danger to yourself, your child/children and other members of our community.

When you drop your child/children to school by car, please, park up somewhere safely, turn off your engine and walk your child/children into school.

We kindly request that you are respectful to our neighbours and other families in our school community.

Thank you.

As part of the RE curriculum, Year 4s went on an educational visit to Islamic Cultural Centre (London Central Mosque) located in Regent's Park. The children had an engaging and informative session, during which they impressed the visit coordinator, Mr. Mezzi, with insightful questions. Read what our pupils had to say about the trip.



Our trip to Regent's Park mosque was amazing! When we first stepped in, we saw a beautiful garden with lovely flowers and on the wall there was magnificent mosaic. The prayer area was huge.

Anaam Hussein

This week, I went with my class to a mosque to learn about Islam.

We had to get to Baker Street and walk for 15 minutes to reach the mosque, but it was worth it! The mosque was gigantic and so beautiful. I was in awe by the mesmerising pictures and displays. We learnt a lot about Islam and its culture.

At the end, we went to a park and had our lunch. It was a lot of fun!

Mehuli Sarkar



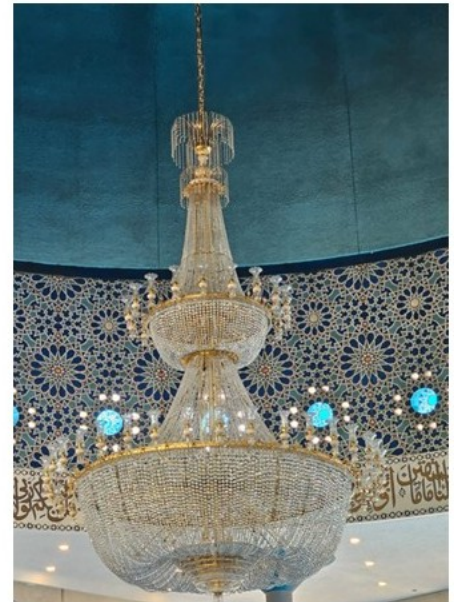
I enjoyed that the teacher taught me a lot about Muslims. I enjoyed seeing the mosque for the first time in my life and it looked really beautiful. I loved the facts on the walls and enjoyed learning about the different names of God.

Jasmine Glodan



On Wednesday, we went on a trip to the mosque.
I was really surprised at how big the mosque was.
Wow. There were so many people
in the prayer room!

Dimitris Papas



On Wednesday 17th April, we went to a mosque. We
first took the Metropolitan Line to Baker Street then
walked the rest of the way. Inside the mosque, we met
our guide Mohammed, he talked to us about Allah and
the 5 pillars of Islam. After he had finished talking, he
took us into the library and told us about the mosque.

Aaron Waithe



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Schools
Photographers**

**we're
coming
to take
your
picture
on...**

Wednesday
.....Day

1st May
.....Month

**Individual
and
Sibling
Photographs**





Chalkhill Primary School

Term dates-January-July 2024

Spring Term	Dates	Information
Monday 8th January 2024 – Thursday 28th March 2024		
First Half Term 5 weeks 24 days	Monday 8 th January 2024	Teacher training (school closed for children)
	Tuesday 9 th January 2024	First day of school- gates opens at 8.30am
	12 th February 2024- 16 th February 2024	Half Term holiday
Second Half Term 6 weeks 29 days	Monday 19 th February 2024	First day of school- gates opens at 8.30am
	Thursday 28 th March 2024	Last day of term- school closes at 3.15pm
	Friday 29 th March 2024 – Friday 12 th April 2024	Easter holidays
Summer Term	Dates	Information
Monday 15th April 2024– Wednesday 24th July 2024		
First Half Term 6 weeks 29 days	Monday 15 th April 2024	First day of school- gates opens at 8.30am
	Monday 6 th May 2024	Bank holiday (school closed)
	Monday 27 th May 2024 – Friday 31 st May 2024	Half Term holiday
Second Half Term 7.5 weeks 38 days	Monday 3 rd June 2024	First day of school - gates opens at 8.30am
	Wednesday 24 th July 2024	Last day of term- schools closes at 1.30pm]
Total 190 days	Thursday 25th July 2024 – Monday 2nd September 2024	Summer holidays