

Year Two Meet the Firefighters!



Year Two were thrilled to welcome firefighters from Basildon's Essex Fire and Rescue Service to school! A huge thank you to the firefighters for giving up their time to visit us and make the children's learning so memorable. As part of their history topic on The Great Fire of London, the children discovered how buildings and fire safety have changed over time, as well as how firefighting equipment has developed.



The children were full of enthusiasm and asked some fantastic questions throughout the visit. The highlight for many was the opportunity to jump aboard the fire engine and take a closer look at the equipment firefighters use! It was a fantastic visit that brought the children's learning to life and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!



Benedict's Law - Keeping Chapel Hill's Children Safe

We are pleased to welcome the introduction of Benedict's Law, the new national allergy safety framework for schools in England. It strengthens the arrangements schools have in place to protect children living with allergies and those at risk of anaphylaxis. At Chapel Hill, the safety and wellbeing of our pupils is always our priority. We already have robust allergy procedures, trained staff and clear emergency arrangements in place, and the new framework will further strengthen these measures. We will continue to work closely with families to ensure that allergy information is kept up to date and that every child feels safe, included and supported at school.

A warm thank you to Stanley and his Mum for their fantastic fundraising efforts, raising an amazing £400 towards the purchase of an Anaphylaxis Kit for our school. This generous contribution will help us to further strengthen our provision and ensure we are well equipped to respond in an emergency. Thank you, Stanley and Mum, for your wonderful support of Chapel Hill's school community!



Chapel Hill Primary School

Headteacher's Newsletter 2nd October 2026



Monday 5th October
Sponsored Swimathon for
Junior Classes



Mr Wallace Christian Assembly
3:10pm Phonics Workshop for Parents
of Reception & Year One children in
Chapel Hill's School Hall (Childcare
available for Reception & Y1 children)

Tuesday 6th October
Class 4's visit to Basildon Library
(book character dress-up day for **Class 4** only)

Thursday 8th October
Harry Potter Book Day (Children
to dress as their favourite book
character)
Y6 Class 14's Visit to Duxford
1:30 FS DT Afternoon



Friday 9th October
Class 3's Visit to Basildon Library
(book character dress-up day for **Class 3** only)

Monday 12th October
Music & Culture Week



Tuesday 13th October
9:00 & 10:00 Open
Morning Sessions for
'Prospective Parents' of
2027 Reception Children
3:15 - 7:00 Pupil Progress & Target
Meetings for all classes

Design & Technology

Wednesday 14th October
1:30 Year 1 DT Afternoon



Thursday 15th October
8:00 Little Urchins Vintage Photos
Woodland & Orchard Room Rising 4's
1:30 Year 5 DT Afternoon

Friday 16th October
8:00 Little Urchins Christmas Nursery
photos - Rising 3's
Music Dress up day and Performances

Monday 19th October
9:00 Woodland & Orchard
Room's DT Morning

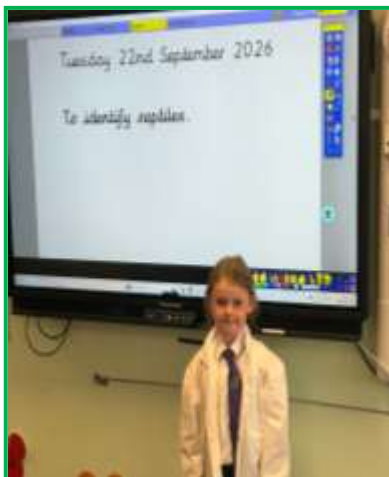


Whole School Diwali
Celebration Assembly
3:15 - 6:00 FS to Yr 6
Pupil Progress Target Setting Meetings

Wednesday 21st October
1:30 Year 3 DT Afternoon

Chapel Hill's Scientists

At Chapel Hill, the children love taking part in our exciting and engaging Science curriculum! Across the school, they work hard in lessons to showcase their scientific skills and learn all of the important information that they can, in the hope of being named Scientist of the Week. These lucky children have received that honour this week for the great work they have done in their classes. Some children have been carefully collecting data in experiments, others have been asking important scientific questions, but all of them have been standing out as exceptional Chapel Hill Scientists - well done to all and good luck to those who will be trying to become a Scientist of the Week in the future!



A Sensory Journey into Hinduism



As part of their curriculum studies on Hinduism, Year 1 have been exploring the importance of the senses. The children created their own Puja trays and thought carefully about how each of their senses could help them experience and understand the items on the tray.

The children explored what they could see, hear, smell, touch and taste, making links between their own experiences and the important role that the senses can play in Hindu worship. It was wonderful to see the children being curious, thoughtful and respectful as they developed their understanding of Hindu beliefs and practices.



Star of the Week

Class 1

Benny Saunders & Aarna Bhardwaj



Class 2

Arya Patel & Arlo Hall

Class 3

Nellie Watmough & Mira Awad

Class 7

Ella Simpson



Class 8

Chikanyima Emeziem



Class 9

Ronnie Shaw

Class 10

Nia Kangha

Class 11

Iustin Dima



Class 12

Fausta Danilevicuite



Class 14

Aria Scheepers & Jesse George



Sunflower & Starry Night Art



Well-done to Chapel Hill's Junior Art Club on their stunning Sunflower /Starry Night masterpieces!

Infant Stars

1st Classes 4 & 5: 100%

2nd Class 1 & 2: 99.3%

3rd Class 3: 98.8%



Attendance Stars

Week Ending 25th September 2026

Average attendance: 96.4%



Juniors Stars

1st Class 12: 100%

2nd Class 8: 97.1%

3rd Class 9: 96.4%