Chelford C of E Primary School

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Pupils and staff enjoyed a fabulous visit to Cockfields Farm last week!



Well done Class 4!

We start today's newsletter with a huge congratulations to Class 4 for sharing their impressive learning to date this term with their parents in the first of our class assemblies. Pupils enjoyed showcasing their work from a number of curriculum areas, with the highlights being some superb Nelson Mandela biographies, and poems using metaphors to describe an inspirational figure.

Our class assemblies are designed to help parents gain a greater insight into how our curriculum is taught and what learning children have enjoyed, and we look forward to planning similar opportunities for children in other classes over the coming months. As always, we thank families for taking the time from their busy schedules to join us this morning.



Class 1and Class 2 - Farm visit

Our infant pupils enjoyed a fabulous visit to Cockfields Farm last week. They enjoyed meeting a range of animals and learning all about how they are cared for and looked after. Children also enjoyed learning about the demands of a working farm and even managed some time on the playground equipment too! All in all, a splendid time was had by everyone. Our thanks to Mr Norman, Mrs Smith and Mrs Phillips who returned to Chelford to support the visit - and of course to our fabulous pupils who were superbly behaved as usual.

Rugby success

Since our last newsletter, children in both Class 3 and Class 4 have enjoyed representing the school during our Holmes Chapel Sports Partnership tag rugby competitions. Our Y3/4 team triumphed, bringing home another trophy, whilst our Y5/6 children narrowly missed out on top spot - pipped by the impressive Brereton Bears in the final match!

Well done to all who participated in the events!

Our next HC Sports Partnership events are dance competitions scheduled for November.



Staffing update

A few updates regarding staffing arrangements for the coming months:

Class 4: Miss Ellen will begin her maternity leave after half term. She has thoroughly enjoyed teaching Class 4 pupils this term and is looking forward to returning to school again at the start of the summer term. Governors and Mr Brady are interviewing candidates next week to secure Miss Ellen's maternity cover, who will be joining the team on a 3-day arrangement. Mr Brady will continue to teach two days each week in Class 4.

Class 3: Following Mrs Jones' return in December on a reduced, 3-day teaching arrangement, we are thrilled to report that Mrs MacDonald has agreed to continue to work with Class 3, dovetailing with Mrs Jones in a job-share capacity. Mrs MacDonald has made a fabulous impact since joining the team in September and we are delighted that she will be extending her stay with us!

We will update families with information of our new teacher following their appointment.

Fire Service visit

Class 1 pupils were incredibly excited to be visited by the Fire Service this week. The highlight of the visit was undoubtedly the opportunity to have a tour around the fire engine! Next week, children will be welcoming Detective Johnson from Cheshire Police to discuss the important role that the Police carry out in our communities to help keep people safe.



Sean Perkins visit

Another welcome visitor to spend time with Class 1 and Class 2 pupils over the last two weeks was friend of the school, author and illustrator, Sean Perkins, who was happy to share the latest instalment in the Oscar and Ben book series. Sean has been a frequent visitor to Chelford over recent years and it is always a joy to have him spend time reading with our children and helping to inspire a love of stories.

Music tuition update - the beat goes on!

We are delighted to inform parents that Chelford CE Primary is collaborating with Music Squad to offer peripatetic drum tuition to pupils from Y1 - Y6 after the half term break. Tutor, Sam Firth, will be visiting school on Tuesday 3rd November to lead an assembly to 'drum' up some interest and flyers will be sent home thereafter. Sessions will take place each Friday in school priced at £16 per 20-minute session.

Safety Squad

Mr Brady has been inundated with applications to join this year's Safety Squad; many thanks to all who submitted a letter. Successful applicants will be announced next week.

Parent consultation evenings

Many thanks to parents for taking the time to meet with teachers this week to receive updates on your child's progress. We hope that you enjoyed learning about how your child has settled into the new term and valued the opportunity to look through their books and learning journeys.

Harvest Festival

Further to Mr Brady's recent email, we are delighted to confirm that our Harvest Festival will take place next Friday at All Saints Church, Marthall. We politely request parents' support with transporting children to the church and then back to school at the end of the service. We ask children arrive at 9:00am for a 9:15am start, and anticipate the service ending around 10:00am. Please can all parents provide consent via the Arbor app.

PTA disco

Pupils, PTA helpers and staff are looking forward to 'cutting a few shapes' on the dance floor on Thursday as we host our ever-popular PTA autumn disco. The event takes place after school from 3:30pm - 5:00pm and tickets, available via Arbor (£7 single / £12 sibling), include food and refreshments.

Class 3 update

Ahead of next week's visit to Chester Zoo (see below), Class 3 pupils have been enjoying exploring artwork inspired by the rainforest and David Hockney. In English, children have started to write their own non-chronological reports on rainforests which they are looking forward to sharing with other children in school.

Chester Zoo visit

Class 3 pupils are thoroughly excited for next week's visit to Chester Zoo. Children will have the

Praise Awards:

Congratulations to recent recipients:Freddie W, Otis, Bertie, all C2 pupils, Dylan, Henry T, Eli, Grace T, Arlo Ri, Oscar, Nyla and Oliver.

Reader of the week:

Class 1	Freddie & Bertie
Class 2	Isla & Arlo Rob
Class 3	Zach, Atticus & Scarlett
Class 4	Harrison & Imogen

Attendance:

	Wk 1	Wk 2
Class 1	98.9%	93%
Class 2	94.5%	95.2%
Class 3	98.3%	94%
Class 4	97%	95%
Overall	96.7%	94.6%
*Year to date	96%	

Governors' target 96%

School Menu:

3-week menu available on website.

House points:

House points to be collated next week.

Seacole	1396
Lovell	1291
Pankhurst	1297
Attenborough	1102

Birthdays greetings:

Congratulations to the following pupils who have celebrated birthdays during the last 2 weeks: Tess (6) and Ozzy (7).

Arbor payments :

On Arbor this week:

- Choir sign up
- New 2 You uniform donations
- Donations to school
- School council remembrance service consents
- PTA disco tickets
- Trip consents

opportunity to explore the zoo and visit a rainforest workshop, aimed at supporting geography work as part of our South America topic. **Please can all parents ensure that consent has been provided via the Arbor app.**

Extra-curricular update
Mr Scarterfield and Mrs Nuttall will be leading our new school choir following the half term break. The choir will meet on Tuesdays after school between 3:30pm - 4:30pm and we are hoping to begin preparing some Christmas carols which can then be taken on 'tour' around the village to perform to some of our local community groups. Y2-Y6 pupils are invited to join and places are available to book via Arbor.
Eco Club - please note, there will be no Eco Club next week.

Menu change - next week
Next week is Week 3 on our menu cycle, with a slight adjustment to Monday's options where pasta carbonara will replace tomato pasta.

Photograph orders
The deadline for photograph orders is Friday 19th October 2026. Order details - which included a reference number and code - were distributed with proof images last week.

School Council - Remembrance Service
Further to Mr Brady's email last week, School Council members are invited to a service of remembrance at St John's Church in Chelford on Sunday 8th November 2026. Please can consent be provided via the Arbor app.

Morning drop off
We are noticing that some pupils are being dropped off some time before the school doors open at 8:50am. As we do not have staff available to supervise children before this time, we politely request that children are not left unsupervised until the school doors open.

Trim trail
Unfortunately, due to the natural ageing process of timber, our school trim trail is currently not in useable condition. For everybody's safety, please can parents ensure that the trail is not used during drop-off and collection times when staff supervision is not available.

Week 19th October 2026	Menu week 3
Monday 19th	PE lessons - all classes KS1 gymnastics - Sports Coaching Group 3:30pm - 4:30pm Lego Club - Mr Brady - 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Tuesday 20th	Class 4 teacher interviews Music lessons - all classes Mr Scarterfield Spanish lesson (KS2) - Mrs Levinsohn Tim Sparks - peripatetic guitar tuition Miss Cocks - piano tuition
Wednesday 21st	Class 3 - Chester Zoo visit Woodwind and piano tuition - Mr Dunn No Eco Club this week
Thursday 22nd	Mr Brady out (all day) Butterflies (9:45am - 11:30am) PTA disco (3:30pm - 5:00pm)
Friday 23rd	9:00am - Harvest festival Class 1 - Police visit PE lessons - all classes KS2 basketball - Sports Coaching Group 3:30pm - 4:30pm **BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM - SCHOOL REOPENS MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER**

Week 2nd November	Menu week 1
Monday 2nd	PE lessons - all classes KS1 gymnastics - Sports Coaching Group 3:30pm - 4:30pm Mrs Jackson out Wellbeing Champions begins - Class 3 pupils Lego Club - Mr Brady - 3:30pm - 4:30pm Mad Science - 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Tuesday 3rd	Mrs Thwaites out Music lessons - all classes Mr Scarterfield Spanish lesson (KS2) - Mrs Levinsohn Tim Sparks - peripatetic guitar tuition Miss Cocks - piano tuition
Wednesday 4th	Woodwind and piano tuition - Mr Dunn Eco Club - Mr Norman - 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Thursday 5th	Butterflies (9:45am - 11:30am) Class 4 parent consultations (1:00pm - 6:00pm)
Friday 6th	PE lessons - all classes Class 4 PTA cake sale

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 1

W/C: 24/08/2026, 14/09/2026, 05/10/2026, 26/10/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES – OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges (V)	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Pasta	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Pork Sausage Bites with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Fish Fingers with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
HOT DISHES – OPTION 2	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Vegan Meatball in Tomato Pasta (V) (VE)	Bean and Cheese Pastry Turnover with Roast Potatoes and Gravy (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Southern Fried Chicken with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
HOT DISHES – OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD					
DESSERT	Ice Cream with Sliced Fruit	Vanilla Sponge with Fresh Fruit	Raspberry Jelly (VE)	Oat Cookie with Sliced Fruit	Fruit & Yoghurt

AVAILABLE DAILY
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

(V) Vegetarian (VE) Vegan Oily Fish Fruity! Wholegrain Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

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SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 2

W/C: 31/08/2026, 21/09/2026, 12/10/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES – OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges (V)	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy (NC)	Chicken and Vegetable Korma with Wholegrain Rice (WG) (NC)	Fish Fingers with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
HOT DISHES – OPTION 2	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Veggie Burger with Potato Wedges (V)	Roast BBQ Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy (V)	Macaroni Cheese (V) (NC)	Southern Fried Chicken with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
HOT DISHES – OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta (V) (WG)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD					
DESSERT	Ice Cream with Sliced Fruit (F)	Oat Cookie with Sliced Fruit (F)	Strawberry Jelly (VE)	Chocolate Brownie (F)	Fruit & Yoghurt (F)

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WEEK 3

W/C: 07/09/2026, 28/09/2026, 19/10/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES – OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with BBQ Potato Wedges (V)	Herby Tomato Chicken with Wholewheat Pasta (Wholegrain, Nutritionist's Choice)	Roast Gammon with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	All Day Breakfast with Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
HOT DISHES – OPTION 2	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice (V, Wholegrain, Nutritionist's Choice)	BBQ Roast Quorn with Potato and Gravy (V)	Tomato Pasta Fresh Home Made Tomato Sauce with Pasta (V)	Quorn Dippers with Chips (V)
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
HOT DISHES – OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta (V, Wholegrain)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings (V)
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD					
DESSERT	Crispy Crackle Bar	Jelly with Sliced Fruit (Fruity!)	Oat Cookie with Sliced Fruit (Fruity!)	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Smoothie and Fresh Fruit (Fruity!)

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