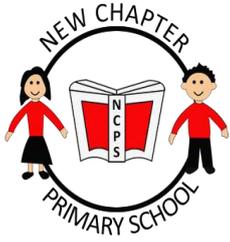


NEWS



New Chapter School

Firstly, please could we say thank you to each and every one of you for all you are doing at home to support your child's learning at this difficult time. We know this is not an easy time and we very much appreciate that you are not teachers and so do not necessarily have all of the answers to the questions that your children may ask. Please remember that your child's teacher is at the end of an email – so no matter how many questions you have, please know that you can email the teacher and they will get back to you within normal school hours.

It is also important to remember that it can be extremely difficult for homes to be set up as classrooms – and this is by no way what we are asking of you as parents. Each child has access to a range of websites that they regularly use in school and which will inevitably support their learning. All that we ask of you, is that you encourage your child to access their home learning packs that are on eSchools (or have been printed for you by request) as and when they are ready to do so. However, it is also important for children to make the most of any good weather we have, by spending time in their garden.

This is a whole new situation for everybody – but by working together we are sure to get through this – in one piece!

Once again thank you to each and every one of you. We know how difficult this is and we don't expect you to be teachers or to know and be able to do everything. That is why we are here at the end of an email to help and support.

Thank you also to all of our key workers who continue to put themselves and their families at risk by being on the front line to support their communities.

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay strong.

The New Chapter Team



On Friday the 13th, Miss Burroughs took a group of 10 children from UKS2 TO The South Central Regional School Dodgeball championships. A team who individually had great skill but had never actually played together in an organised structure up until the Monday before. The children spent the day building from strength to strength as they quickly learned from their mistakes losing in their first game of the day. Only to come back stronger and beat that same team in the Final. To top it off, the team went on to also win the Sportsmanship award as they spent their time cheering on other teams as well as their own team mates. Miss Burroughs was extremely proud of them as were the rest of the school when we came back to share the good news. Friday the 13th – a date that is unlucky for some did not apply to the New Chapter Dodgeball Team!



During these difficult times, we would like to wish all of our families well. The aim of this, and subsequent newsletters, is to bring a smile to the faces of our families – and to remind everyone that we are still here!

Over the past few days, Miss Burroughs and Mrs Edwards have been busy at school, with a small group of children on a range of activities.



At school we worked on a science experiment this week, using just a food bag, pencil and water. We filled the bag with water and poked pencils all the way through. What happens? Why does it happen? How many pencils can you fit through your bag? Our highest number was 14! We then tried it with different types of food bags, different types of pencils and even tried it with sticks.

At New Chapter we are trying to spread happiness and joy! Making our very own rainbow across the windows at the front of the school. Perhaps you have seen it on your walks about. How many rainbows have you seen?

Let's help people get the most enjoyment they can from their one walk a day.

To spread a little happiness, colour, and to provide something to look out for, people are being encouraged to paint/create a different picture every few days and put it in their window for people to look out for whilst they're going for a walk. Look at the pictures below to find the different themes for the next couple of weeks.



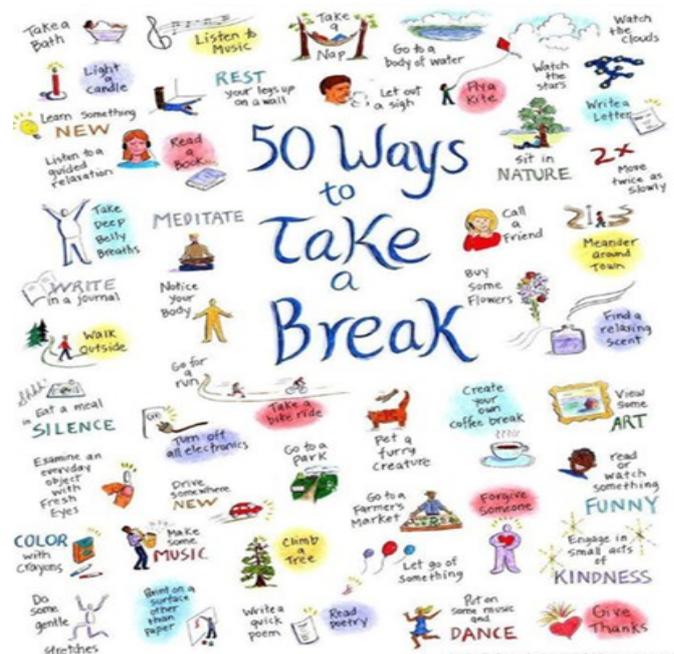
Mrs Jenkins created this 'encouraging words' poster with her daughter. We would love you to share things you do at home with us through your class emails.



Why don't you treat yourself to a bedtime story with one of the teachers, using our new story sharing group on eSchools? When you log on, click on 'groups,' and you can listen and watch!

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Just for fun - we also thought it would be nice to share with you all, '50 ways to take a break!' How many can you tick off in your household?



EYFS News

We started this half term at Superhero school! We had to make a cape and mask, then complete superhero challenges! We had to estimate the number of sprouts and potatoes in the jar that the evil pea had captured! We used our superhero powers to trap the evil pea and put him safely back into the freezer! When then moved onto real life superheroes in our community and were very lucky to have visitors in EYFS showing us how they help people. First we had the police officers –PC Chris and PC Polly - who explained to the children how they keep people safe. They brought to school their police car, we all got a turn to pretend to drive it! Ivy was amazed at how loud the sirens were! Then the vets Ellie and Jess from MK Veterinary Group came in to show the children how they take care of animals. We looked that their uniform and even some x rays of pets. The children learnt how to look after their own teddies and soft toys by bandaging up and how to listen to a heartbeat by using a stethoscope. Rehaan said “I can't believe I can hear the dog's heartbeat”.

