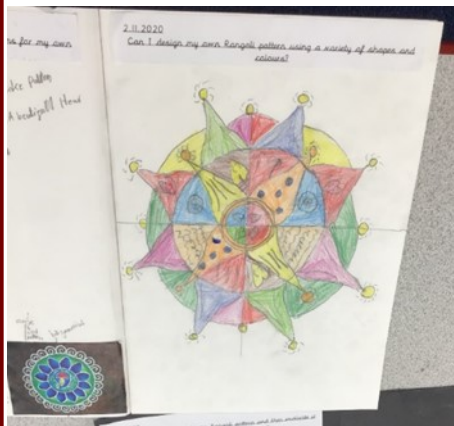




New Chapter School

Class 11's News



Year 5's new topic Celebrations, Feasts and Festivals was indeed celebrated with a bang on Monday as Class 11 were fully immersed in the story and rituals of Diwali – the Indian Festival of Light. Not only did we learn that this particular five-day event, which starts on November 14 this year and symbolises the spiritual victory of light over darkness, we also discovered more interesting facts about the history of this festival – which is the biggest in the Hindu calendar! "It was interesting to find out that Diwali happens every year but at different times," said Chloe.

The word Diwali means rows of lighted lamps and it is known as the Festival of Light because houses and shops are decorated with candles and colourful lights to help Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth, find her way. Class 11 all agreed that the dark November evenings could do with some brightening up!

Another important part of Diwali is Rangoli artwork – bright and vibrant patterns created outside people's doors using rice, sand, flour or powder. The children all got to explore these as they designed their very own Rangoli patterns. They then transferred their intricate designs onto black paper before carefully filling their outlines with sand. Finally, the works of art were painted in vibrant colours and the use of sand created an impressive 3D effect.



Presley said, "I enjoyed being successful in art."

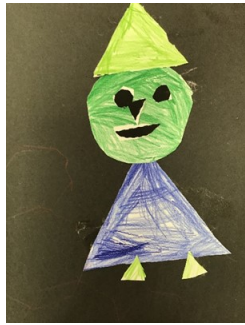
Class 11 are really looking forward to discovering more about what different celebrations, feasts and festivals everyone in the class celebrate and are excited to find out more about different religions' customs and rituals.



Alongside this, in English we are looking at legend narratives and are getting our heads around our class reader Beowulf, which is also our model text. During the next few weeks we'll be generating lots of descriptive vocabulary in preparation for writing our very own legends – which will of course include a hero and a mythical beast!

**INSET DAY – MONDAY
23RD NOVEMBER**

KS1 WOW day



WOW day in Key Stage 1 focused on our story “**Room on the Broom.**” We started the day making badges for our wizarding school thinking about what the colour represented. Inaya chose black to show courage, while Zain used blue to show strength. The classes listened to the story before making their own friendship and kindness potion. The children were amazed at how the potion fizzed and bubbled up from the baking soda and we added the glitter to make it sparkle, but we were not keen on the smell from the vinegar. In maths, the children made a witch out of 2D shapes, carefully putting the shapes in place to make their pictures. The afternoon consisted of making mud monsters and re telling the story using masks and small world resources. Our ‘Once Upon a Time’ theme continues this half term with more stories, which are named in the homework booklets if any families would like to read or listen to the stories at home.



Children in Need 2020

We are proud to be supporting Children in Need this year, at New Chapter. The focus this year is on children’s mental health and wellbeing. On **Friday 13th November, we will be having a non-uniform** day with activities focused around the ‘Five to Thrive,’ looking at the 5 areas of children’s wellbeing. To support the amazing work that Children in Need does, we are asking for a small donation from each family on the non-uniform day. As Children in Need is well known for Pudsey bear and his spotty outfit, it would be great to see as many of our school community **wearing yellow or spotty clothes.**

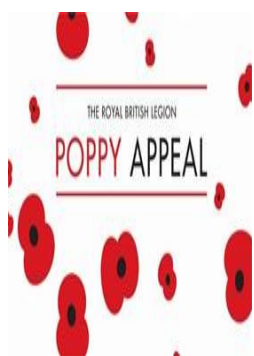


Friday 13th November 2020



Royal Legion’s Poppy Appeal

If you wish for your child to buy a poppy, please provide them with a small donation. Thank you.



Kedaph Schoolwear will still be open for online or click and collect orders only.

01908 417142, 12pm to 4pm Mon-Fri .

Unfortunately no customers will be allowed in the shop.



	Star of the week	Values Awards
Class 3	Junior	Inaya
Class 4	Jake	Lily
Class 5	Hawwa	Bella
Class 7	Amelia	Ana-Louise
Class 8	Adi	Adama
Class 9	Sonny	Charlie
Class 10	Ashley	Ryan
Class 11	Bethany	Lily-Rose
Class 12	Rayan	Mohamed
Class 13	Anas	Frankie
Class 14	Maja	Skyla

Important Dates



- 13/11/2020** Children in Need– non-uniform day
- 23/11/2020** Inset day
- 26/11/2020** School nursing team Flu Immunisations
- 16/12/2020** School Christmas Lunch
- 18/12/2020** Last day of term
Children finish at 1.30pm
- 04/01/2021** Inset day
- 05/01/2021** First day of term
- 12/02/2021** Last day of term
- 22/02/2021** First day of term
- 25/02/2021** Individual School Photos
- 26/02/2021** Individual School Photos
- 26/03/2021** Last day of term
- 12/04/2021** First day of term
- 03/05/2021** May Bank Holiday
- 27/05/2021** Last day of term
- 28/05/2021** Inset day
- 07/06/2021** First day of term
- 16/07/2021** Last day of term
Children finish at 1.30pm.

Hot chocolate with the Headteacher is back!!!



Average attendance for last week was 94.5%

Birthdays

We would like to wish a very 'Happy Birthday' to the following children who are celebrating their birthday this coming week:



**Maxwell, Kian, Mia-Louise, Maja, Szymon,
Declan, Corey, Harry, Emma, Aba.**