



New Chapter School

Class 11's News



Class 11 came riding, riding. Class 11 came riding, over the purple moor... Well, almost!

These past few weeks we've been fully immersed in Alfred Noyes's narrative poem *The Highwayman*, which was written during the Victorian era. The ballad tells the tragic love story of *The Highwayman* and his darling Bess - the landlord's daughter.

Being a robber, the poem's namesake is an unlikely hero but we all found ourselves rooting for him and Bess, who's taken hostage by King George's men in a trap to catch him. The story comes to a sad end, however, when Bess sacrifices her life to save her loved one - only for him to meet death the following day at the hands of the soldiers. Very dramatic indeed and the perfect inspiration to write our very own historical narratives! For our independent writing this week, we are adapting the story by retelling the events from the narrator's perspective: a guest at the fateful inn where the tragedy takes place.

Have a look at the beginning of *Andrea's* story:

It was already sunset. The red, scorching sun was slowly leaving the sky. Every animal around me was getting ready for bed and the moon was taking over. The misty fog was the reason I got lost. I had no food, no water and my horse was already about to drop...

Plenty of brilliant figurative language and descriptive vocabulary that creates a vivid atmosphere; leaving you wanting to find out what might happen next!

Here, Aba has skilfully set the scene for the arrival of the Highwayman at the inn: *Hours had gone by. I had lost track of time. CLICK! The clock had just struck two; everyone was probably in bed by now, or had gone back home. Tlot-tlot - the sound of another horse. I peered out of the window: A HIGHWAYMAN! I quickly blew out the candle. I had heard the stories about these thieves. I was scared that he had seen me and was waiting for the words: "Stand and deliver - money or your life!" But then: tap-tap, tap-tap. He wasn't tapping on my window, he was tapping on another one. All of a sudden, he whistled a tune...*

In preparation for our independent writing we were taking part in lots of drama in class, acting out the different parts of the poem. Here we are pretending to be cunning Tim, the jealous ostler who listens to the couple's plans and runs to the King's men to tell them.

Can you guess what other elements of the poem we are re-enacting below?

Although there's only a few weeks left of Year 5, all the excellent learning and writing in class should catapult us into Year 6 with a bang!

To get us ready for Year 6, we've also been checking our times tables knowledge and spellings. Grown-ups, can you please remind the children to practise any they're not sure of during the summer to ensure they'll be raring to go come September. Remember, everyone has logins to My Maths and TT Rockstars so make use of these during rainy days.

If anyone wants to support their children with different subjects and topics during the holiday, BBC Bitesize is also a great place to start with plenty of videos explaining concepts: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

But above all, make sure to relax and enjoy some much needed family time! From Mrs Parsons and Team 11



Year 6 Puberty Talk

Next week, as part of the National Curriculum requirements for the science and PSHE curriculums, year 6 will be discussing the physical and emotional changes that happen to our bodies during puberty. The lessons will be separated, with one for the girls and one for the boys.

If you wish to discuss the content of the lesson, please email your child's class teacher using the class email address.

Breakfast club term 1A September 2021

Breakfast club will recommence for the Autumn term on Monday 6th September 2021 at 7.30am. There will be 40 places available each day. Parents can book a place half a term in advance by completing a booking form, which will be sent out next week via eschools, or a printed copy can be collected from the school office. Children will not be able to turn up without having a paid booking. For adhoc bookings parents will need to contact the office to see if there are any spaces available. Parents will need to pay for this provision via Parentpay in advance by the previous Wednesday. The cost will be £1.50 per child per day or £7.50 per child for a week.

Breakfast club will be classed as an additional bubble to the child's year group bubble. As such, if a member of breakfast club were to test positive for covid, then any child who had attended breakfast club within 48 hours of the person being tested positive would have to self isolate, as a close contact.

Doors will open between 7.30am – 7.40am, after this time all breakfast club staff will be located in the dining room, so we will be unable to accommodate late entries. Children will be given a choice of toast and 3 preserves, milk, juice and water and a selection of cereals and fruits. After breakfast has been served, the children will participate in a set of activities with our PE staff.



Parents are encouraged to speak to the Office if they have any queries.

Bucks cricket are running FREE cricket / multi-skill sessions for children at Campbell Park every Monday for 8 weeks starting on the 5th of July. All attendees also receive some fab cricket goodies. The sessions are run by qualified coaches with all safeguarding checks in place.

To sign up your child for this fantastic opportunity, parents will need to use the following links.

The links for the year groups are:

Year 2s & 3s - <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/BookCourse/1ab59d01-fbd7-4153-b2c8-db25c232128e>

Year 4s, 5s & 6's - <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/BookCourse/04856c58-427d-4b40-9ce1-6efca6c5160b>



Universal Free School Meals – Year 3

If you have a child that will be moving into Year 3 in **September**, please be aware that they will no longer be entitled to universal free school meals. This does not affect any child who has applied and is eligible for pupil premium free school meals (based on your annual family income).



If you have not already applied for pupil premium free school meals and you think that you may be entitled to this benefit, please click on the link below and complete the application. This will take about five minutes of your time to complete and you will be informed of the outcome immediately. Please note that you will need to make a separate application for each child you wish to claim for.

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims/>

	Star of the week	Values Awards
Class 3	Junior	Rehaan
Class 4	Folarin	Samuel
Class 5	Jiraiya	Maxwell
Class 7	Analise	Summer
Class 8	Alfie	Crystina
Class 9	Charlie	Yaqub
Class 10	Chloe	Maryam
Class 11	Ruby	Nusaybah
Class 12	Mohamed	Alex
Class 13	Aleeza	David
Class 14	Skyla	Maja

Important Dates



09/07/2021 Health & Wellbeing Sports day

16/07/2021 Last day of term
Children finish at 1.30pm.

Term dates for the next academic year are available on our school website.



Average attendance for last week was 92.9%



BIRTHDAYS.

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

Dylan-James, Chloe, Isaac, Laylah.



Hot Chocolate Friday

Congratulations to the children pictured who were chosen to have Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher on 25th June 2021. Thank you for consistently displaying the school values and a fantastic attitude to all aspects of school life.

