



New Chapter School

Year 6 Leavers

This week, we said a fond farewell to our Year 6s.



The children had a busy final week taking part in a number of themed days covering art, science, French and design technology. On the art day, the children created their own printing blocks using everyday objects and polystyrene tiles which they used, with acrylic paint, to create block prints on paper. They then listened to a range of sounds and interpreted them through abstract art using a range of different art media. For the science day, the children built on their knowledge of the eye and how we see to investigate optical illusions, creating some interesting optical illusion drawings of their own that sent our eyes in a spin.



Wednesday 14th July is the French national day or Bastille Day. The children learnt about the history behind this special day, how the day is celebrated in France and then had a whistle stop tour of Paris. The afternoon was spent extending their knowledge of the French language by explaining what they like to do at the weekend. The French theme extended

into the Thursday where the children spent the day investigating how to make a range of structures that were strong and weight bearing. This culminated in them trying to make a version of the Eiffel Tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows.

After school on Thursday, the whole year group returned to attend a Leavers' BBQ to celebrate their time at New Chapter and the amazing friendships they have made. Everyone was in high spirits and looking their best as they took part in a range of activities, had photos taken with their friends and tucked in to food cooked by our resident chefs (otherwise known as Mrs T, Mrs D and Mrs S) who this year proudly managed not to burn too many sausages.

We are incredibly proud of everything the children have achieved in this extremely challenging year and wish every one of them the very best of luck in their new schools and for the future. Remember to always be your amazing selves and aim for the stars!

The Year 6 Team



Health, Wellbeing and Sports Day



The last 18 months have been different to say the least. The children have coped really well with the restrictions and bubbled areas we have created for them. Last year we were not able to have a sports day due to the coronavirus, so we were really excited to have one this year-even if it was without parents.



On Friday 9th July, the whole of New Chapter took part in a health, wellbeing and sports day. In the morning, Key Stage 2 took to the field to compete in different activities within their classes for their sports day. The activities included track sprint, javelin/vortex throwing, triple jump, basketball free throws, football dribbling and space hopper races. The children performed brilliantly all day. It was great to see all the children laughing, smiling and cheering each other on. At the end of the key stage two sports day, the staff held men and women's sprint races, and a staff space hopper race which went down well with the children.

In the afternoon, Key Stage one came out to participate in their sports day, where they competed in space hopper races, long jump, vortex throwing and football dribbling. The key stage one children also did brilliantly and for some of our year ones and early years children this was their first ever sports day! We hope they enjoyed it!

Back in the classrooms, teachers prepared health and wellbeing tasks for their children that gave the chance for them to be calm and reflective.



The PE team want to thank all the wonderful staff for the smooth running of the health, wellbeing and sports day.

Finally, the PE team would like to thank all the children for their hard work during PE lessons throughout the year and hope the children look after themselves in the summer break.



Celebrations

We also have some staff who are moving on to new challenges. Mrs Anderson, Mrs Williams and Mr Richardson are all moving on to pastures new and I would like to thank them for all of their hard work during their time at New Chapter and wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.



Congratulations to Mr Morris as he is due to get married during the summer holidays and will return as Mr Williams-Morris. We would also like to offer a huge congratulations to Miss Haig on the recent birth of a beautiful baby daughter.





During Wellbeing morning, Key Stage 1 talked about what this means and how we can practice it at school as well as at home. The classes completed lots of different activities through the morning. We read the story of Ruby's Worry (you can watch Ms Davies read this to you at home on our share a story e-school page) and then created our own worry monsters with a handy guide inside to help children know what to do if they ever feel worried. The classes made 'self-esteem' flowers where they had to share what they love about themselves or what they are good at and put these onto petals. They have taken them home to remind themselves how amazing each and every single one of them are. The classes also completed some mindfulness colouring personalised to them and some yoga. We love a bit of cosmic yoga in class – you can do this at home too by searching it on YouTube. It was a wonderful way to spend the morning relaxing and focusing on the importance of good mental health.



Ideas to support Reading over the Holidays

Book Trust Home Time

Free online books and book-related games, activities and quizzes for children of all ages.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/>

Storybooks and games:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/>

Home time Cupboard (collection of all of the Home Time treats:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/open-the-hometime-cupboard/>

CBeebies Bedtime Stories

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00jdlm2/cbeebies-bedtime-stories>

Reading Practice – Oxford Owl for Home

Books related to your children's banded book level – sign up for free

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>

DK Findout!

Interactive website with a whole range of non-fiction

The School Reading List

Recommended reading lists for each year group:

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/category/reading-lists-for-primary-school-pupils/>

Love Reading 4 Kids

Lots of book recommendations by age and genre, free audio books and a Kidszone with interactive activities – sign up for free.



Class 3 fun with bubbles

There has been so much talk about 'bubbles' in school this year we thought the best way to end the year would be to have some fun with bubbles. The children in class 3 earned enough dojos to enjoy their treat on Wednesday and shared a bubble wand with a partner.



We all had lots of fun. There are more pictures on our class e-schools page so please have a look over the summer.



- **Milton Keynes Council has created more than 27,000 fully funded activity sessions this August**

Thousands of FREE activity sessions have been made available to all children and young people (aged 0 – 18) living in Milton Keynes this summer.

Between 2 – 28 August, a huge range of activities have been organised including cookery, bush-craft, film-making, performing arts, football, African drums and laser tag. The full Summer of Play programme, developed and funded by Milton Keynes Council, is now available to [view online](#).

More than 27,000 individual play sessions will be running across MK during August. Families simply need to browse the online programme and contact providers directly to make a booking. Most of the activities take place within 4 hour sessions and include nutritious, healthy meals unless stated on the programme.

The council hopes that its Summer of Play will help children and young people to be more active during the school holidays whilst taking part in safe, engaging and enriching activities.

Cllr Zoe Nolan, Cabinet Member for Children and Families, said: "We're so excited to be launching this diverse range of free activities, including healthy meals, for local children and young people. We understand it has been a difficult time for all families which is why we've worked hard to create a programme that's accessible to all. We want to support families across MK by providing options for young people to play, to learn and to enjoy their summer. Please help us to spread the word and encourage friends and family to check out our programme."

Milton Keynes Council is working with 28 local clubs, charities and organisations to provide these activities alongside its own provision via Children and Family Centres, the Youth Service and MKC Music Hub.

To learn more about Summer of Play in Milton Keynes and book your FREE activity sessions visit www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/summerofplay and download the full activity programme.



Public Health England Sponsored •

Looking for fun ways to get your whole school moving this summer? Download our new 10 Minute Shake Up toolkit!



Department for Education 6 h •

We've launched a new webpage for parents to help their children catch up on lost learning from the pandemic - no matter what their age or ability.

Take a look at the free online resources, advice, support and information on summer activities: <https://educationcatchup.campaign.gov.uk/>

School Meals September 2021

Please note that the September menu is now live on parentpay. If you wish your child to have a school meal from 6th September please ensure you have ordered meals through parentpay by Thursday 2nd September at the latest (just a reminder that the system will say no menu available throughout August so you will need to enter the correct date – 6th September).



If your child is moving up into year 3 from September, please remember that they will not 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 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/>

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 was sent out last week, 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 ad hoc 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.

Doors will open between 7.30am and 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.



Young readers of all ages in Milton Keynes can join the [MK Reading Adventure](#) this summer and escape with a book ... because reading is the first step to everywhere.

The last year has been a strange and difficult one for everyone. Not only have schools and libraries been impacted by the Covid-19 disruption, but the reading skills and confidence of many young readers have also been affected. To boost reading and avoid that summer 'dip' in reading skills, we bring you the MK Reading Adventure and encourage reading just for the fun of it! Children and young people are invited to sign up and take part between 1 July and 24 September and read six books to complete the challenge. Register for the challenge at any MK Library or complete the whole challenge online and download resources. Readers can choose books from a physical library or choose to read [eBooks and eAudiobooks](#) with the Libby app. Young readers are given (or can print at home) a bookmark to keep track of their books and rate them as they read or listen to each one. When the bookmark has six titles on it, present it at one of the libraries to receive a certificate. If you're doing the challenge online, you can [email a photo of the bookmark to us](#) and you'll be emailed the link to print a certificate at home. Why stop there? You can read more than six books and do the challenge as many times as you'd like!

Visit the website for more information: <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/mkra>



	Star of the week	Values Awards
Class 3	Lacey	Eyla
Class 4	Bruno	Ernest
Class 5	Alfie	Kyah
Class 7	Zulaikha	Mikey
Class 8	Charlet	Israelle
Class 9	Harvey	Jaen
Class 10	Alfie-Jay	Stefan
Class 11	Ruby	Nusaybah
Class 12	Angel	Jaiden
Class 13	John-Mark	Nicole
Class 14	Faiza	Maja

Important Dates

06/09/2021 Autumn Term starts

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



Average attendance for last week was 92.5%



BIRTHDAYS.

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

Andrea, Eyla, Lily-Rose, Lola-Jade, Sekeria, Liam, Ellie, Layla.



Summer at Chapter House



26 th July Chill Zone Youth Club (11+) 12-2pm	27 th July Youth Engagement- help us shape our service (10+) 12-2	28 th July Cooking (5+) 12-2.30 Chapter Kidz Youth Club (5-10) 4-5	29 th July SPECTRUM Youth Club (11+ with additional needs) 11-1
2 nd August Chill Zone Youth Club (11+) 12-2pm	3 rd August Picnic at Two Halls (5+) 12-2	4 th August Cooking (5+) 12-2.30 Chapter Kidz Youth Club (5-10) 4-5	5 th August SPECTRUM Youth Club (11+ with additional needs) 11-1
9 th August Chill Zone Youth Club (11+) 12-2pm		11 th August Cooking (5+) 12-2.30 Chapter Kidz Youth Club (5-10) 4-5	12 th August SPECTRUM Youth Club (11+ with additional needs) 11-1
16 th August Chill Zone Youth Club (11+) 12-2pm		18 th August Cooking (5+) 12-2.30 Chapter Kidz Youth Club (5-10) 4-5	19 th August SPECTRUM Youth Club (11+ with additional needs) 11-1
23 rd August Chill Zone Youth Club (11+) 12-2pm	24 th August Picnic at Two Halls (5+) 12-2	25 th August Cooking (5+) 12-2.30 Chapter Kidz Youth Club (5-10) 4-5	26 th August SPECTRUM Youth Club (11+ with additional needs) 11-1
	31 st August Youth Engagement- help us shape our service (10+) 12-2		

Sessions are limited to 12 spaces, booking is essential.

To book a space call or text Katie on 07850 916600