



New Chapter School

Learning with Year 2



This week, to start the nocturnal animal part of our topic, we had an amazing visitor come to New Chapter. Dave, who is a fearless explorer, has been all around the world from South America to Australia learning all about different species in their own habitats. He visited Year 2 to show some of his incredible nocturnal animals that have been bred in captivity and explained how they are all special in their own way. We were all incredibly brave to handle with such care all of the different exotic animals - even Mrs Leadbeater didn't scream!

We started off our learning with a demonstration from a white-faced owl that was the size of a small melon. This incredible bird swooped around the hall catching food that Dave threw. Josiah could tell others that owls are noiseless animals when they fly and catch their prey with their talons.



Next, we were presented with a small but mighty creature called a hissing cockroach. Some of us were very nervous to handle the cockroach but once Dave showed us how to touch it, we were okay. This unbelievable insect has the ability to make a similar sound to another animal to keep themselves safe on the jungle floor. Lexi told her friends that it sounds like a snake in the bushes and scares other predators away.

Dave later brought out a gecko and a snake for us to feel and see up close which was an amazing experience for us all.

Jakob: I thought the snake would be slimy, but it felt like plastic.

Charlene: I love that the gecko holds on with his tail and sticky feet.



Finally, Dave brought out his favourite animal. He showed us a hedgehog that was nearly 10 years old. Norma the hedgehog was special as she was born blind and finds it difficult to know whether it is nighttime or daytime. She was very shy but loved being stroked on the prickles from head to tail.

Class 3 can't wait to continue learning about the different nocturnal animals including how they eat, sleep, and survive in the dark.

100%	PERFECTION
98%	IMPRESSIVE
96%	GOOD
95%	NEARLY THERE
94%	NEEDS TO IM-
<94%	POOR

Average attendance for last week was 94.7%

Attendance needs to improve. Lets ensure all children are in school and ready to learn so we get a much higher percentage next week.

Attendance Matters





Christmas Fayre

Thursday 21st December

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all our families to the Christmas Fayre which will take place in the school hall on Thursday 21st December from 4pm to 6pm.

We would appreciate any donations of the following:

- Good quality toys/games/books (both adult and children)
- Lucky dip jar tombola: glass jars filled with sweets/chocolate/small gifts/toiletries -whatever you think might make a nice prize (see image below for ideas)
 - Teddies and soft toys for the teddy tombola
 - Adult tombola prizes
 - Gifts for raffle hampers

If anyone has contacts in local businesses who you think might be willing to donate to the raffle, please let the office know.

Donations can be left in the box in reception.

There will also be a cake stall. Further information on timings for receiving cakes will follow.

Thank you for your support.



	Star of the week	Values Awards (Responsibility)
Class 2	Macilee	Chloe
Class 3	Katy	Sozo
Class 4	Scarlett	Daisy
Class 5	Fabian	Nadia
Class 6	Hope	McBoniface
Class 7	Alfie-Levi	Lola-Jade
Class 8	Mason	Eyla
Class 9	Bella	Cyrus
Class 10	Wareesha	Benedetta
Class 11	Ayaan	Lily T

Important Dates



12/12/2023	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance
13/12/2023	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance
20/12/2023	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day
21/12/2023	Christmas Fayre
22/12/2023	Break up for Christmas holidays– 1.30pm finish

Hot Chocolate Friday

Congratulations to the children who were chosen to have Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher on the 24th November 2023 Thank you for consistently displaying the school values and a fantastic attitude to all aspects of school life.



BIRTHDAYS.

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

Jiraiya, Keith, Cyrus, Lavina, Ollie, Leo W