

16th February 2024



New Chapter School

CLASS 2 NEWS

We have loved becoming pirates this half term in Class 2 and we've had a b-arr-r-el of laughs! We have learned to talk like a pirate, dress like a pirate and act like a pirate, including what it means to hoist the sails and scrub the decks!

In Science, we investigated waterproof materials and learned that non-waterproof materials absorb water. We then used our new knowledge to design and build our own pirate ships in DT, keeping in mind our understanding of floating and sinking and waterproof materials. We followed our designs carefully to build our pirate ships. We had lots of fun putting our boats to the test in a water tray and testing whether they could sail a toy pirate across without sinking or absorbing any water.



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In Geography, we have been learning all about maps. We now know why maps have symbols and a key. We turned into pirates and created our own tea-stained treasure maps to show where we buried our treasure!

We are really looking forward to our topic about Dinosaurs after half-term.



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If you currently receive **free school meals** you will be entitled to an e-voucher for the half term holiday. The voucher is for £15 per week per child. The vouchers will be emailed to you on Saturday 17th February.

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

Average attendance for last week was 93.9%

Attendance was poor last week. Let's work towards all children being in school as much as possible so they are not missing out on key learning opportunities.

Attendance Matters



School dinner orders

Please remember to order your child's lunch for the next half term by 22nd February at 12pm. All orders placed after this point will not be processed and your child will need to have a packed lunch for the first week back.

School Dinners



Breakfast club

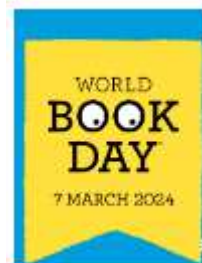
All bookings for the first week back will also need to be made by Thursday 22nd February.



On **Thursday 7th March**, New Chapter will be celebrating World Book Day! We will be celebrating the power of reading and will spend the day enjoying lots of books. Children are invited to come to school **dressed up** as one of their favourite book characters. We will also be running a **'Book Swap'**.

Children can bring a book they no longer want and swap it with someone else in their class.

Every child in the school will be given a **book token** which can be swapped for a World Book Day book for free or to get a £1 off a book of their choice. Many supermarkets accept these vouchers as well as local bookshops so remember to use it to get a



BIRTHDAYS We would like to wish a very 'Happy Birthday' to the following children who are celebrating their Birthday over the next two weeks: Hashmat, Ava-Rose, Valeiria, Kingdavid, Smilte, Izzy, Folarin, Tiago.

	Star of the week	Values Awards (Integrity)
Class 2	Ayla	Teddy
Class 3	Tanzeel	Godeline
Class 4	Saad	Zachary
Class 5	Levi	Florence
Class 6	Zunaira	Alicia
Class 7	Ambro	Stefan
Class 8	Archie	Aadan
Class 10	Crystina	Miller
Class 11	Areesha	Thanusika

Important Dates

16/02/2024	Break up for Half term
26/02/2024	Children return to school
07/03/2024	Yr 6 SATs meeting for parents
28/03/2024	Break up for Easter Holidays
15/04/2024	Children return to school
06/05/2024	Bank Holiday– School closed
24/05/2024	Break up for Half term
04/06/2024	Children return to school
19/07/2024	Break up for Summer

Hot Chocolate Fridays

Congratulations to the children who were chosen to have Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher on the 9th February 2024 Thank you for consistently displaying the school values and a fantastic attitude to all aspects of school life.

Esmee – Class 1

Kyvon – Class 5

Cristian – Class 3

Alfie-Levi – Class 7

Maria – Class 2

Mia – Class 4

Charlet – Class 10 Lexi – Class 10

Adwoa – Class 6

Victoria – Class 8

Thuvaraga – Class 11