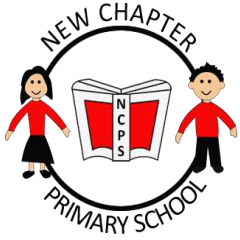


9th February 2024



New Chapter School



This week, it is Internet Safety Week and we have been revisiting the importance of being safe when online. We have explored the different ways you can be online and discussed the positives and negatives of each. During lessons, conversations and assemblies, the children have been exploring how to ensure that they are being safe online by not sharing personal information with others and by considering how commenting on others online affects our own online reputation.

Over recent years, technology has advanced at a rapid pace. It can be difficult for parents to stay up-to-date with new applications and their uses and to be aware of threats that can be out there online. The use of AI technology is soon becoming part of daily lives, clickbait articles and videos are everywhere and trends online change every day. It is important to stay up to date to ensure that you are in the best position to support your children to use the internet safely and responsibly.

At New Chapter, online safety is embedded throughout our curriculum and



conversations relating to online safety take place at the start of all computing lessons in all year groups using Project Evolve which covers 8 key strands. This provides a safe environment where children can ask questions and discuss their own experiences and learn how to be safer, more responsible and more respectful online.



In order to support parents and guardians, we will be sharing strategies, information and advice through posters, websites and articles on how to support children to be safe online. This will include: how to be responsible with devices; how to identify risks across gaming, the internet and social media; how to identify whether the information you are getting is accurate; and how to work with children to become more independent and make the correct choices.

Look on the school website for updated guidance (including age restrictions) for parents and carers on the safe use of a range of platforms: [Online Safety – New Chapter Primary School](#)

Below are some links to websites that you might find helpful and useful for supporting safer internet access at home.

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)

[Keep Children Safe Online: Information, Advice, Support - Internet Matters](#)



Parents Evening

Face-to-face parents evenings will take place on 13th and 14th February. A reminder that bookings close on Monday 12th February and can be made via the usual eSchools system. Any queries, please contact the school office on ncoffice@mket.org.uk



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. Please make sure that the office has the correct email on file for this.

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

Average attendance for last week was 93.4%

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



Every Day Counts....



Happy Lunar New Year from EYFS! This week we flew to China, to celebrate the start of a New Year. We read the story of The Great Race and learned that the animals had to have a race to cross the river. The first 12 animals would become part of the Chinese Zodiac. This year it is the Year of the Dragon.

During our topic sessions we have found out how people celebrate the New Year and some of their traditions. We watched a video of a Chinese dragon performance, then we made a dragon and performed our own dragon dance. We have looked at Chinese writing and had a go at doing our own.

In our Chinese restaurant, we learned to greet our customers with the Mandarin word for hello. Ni hao! The restaurant has been very busy and we have been taking orders for dumplings and noodles. Our customers tried using chopsticks, which was a challenge! Holly said "The chopsticks were too tricky, at home I use a knife and fork."

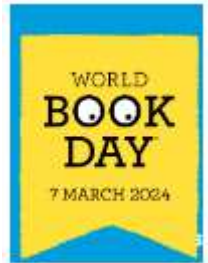
Must dash, our flight to the Arctic is leaving soon!
Love EYFS x



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 new book!



BIRTHDAYS.

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

Alex and Hope



	Star of the week	Values Awards (Integrity)
Class 2	Malachi	Arjun
Class 3	Jakob	Katy
Class 4	Lina	Harrison
Class 5	Reenie	Ciara
Class 6	Casey	Lily
Class 7	Layla	Kathija
Class 8	Cyrus	Summer-Rose
Class 10	Benedetta	Adwoa
Class 11	Thuvaraga	Mia-Louise

Important Dates

- 13/02/2024 Parents evening face-to-face
 - 14/02/2024 Parents evening face-to-face
 - 16/02/2024 Break up for Half term
 - 26/02/2024 Children return to school
 - 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
- Holidays: 1.30pm finish

Hot Chocolate Fridays

Congratulations to the children who were chosen to have Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher on the 2nd February 2024 Thank you for consistently displaying the school values and a fantastic attitude to all aspects of school life.

Eden – Class 1

Jessie– Class 2

Katy-Class 3

Lina– Class 4

Kathija – Class 7

McBoniface– Class 6

Daisy-Leigh – Class 5

Charlet – Class 10

Emily– Class 11

Kyah – Class 8