



# Chorleywood Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had lots of exciting events this half term including trips, visits and extra curricula opportunities. The children and staff have all continued to work really hard.

## Residential Trips

Year 6 and 4 had a really fantastic time on their residential trips. These opportunities are only possible due to the dedication and commitment of the staff who accompany the children, many thanks to them.

## Y6 Windmill Hill

"On Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> April, the year 6 class set off for a week away at PGL. When we all arrived at school everyone was full of excitement, chatting with their friends ready to go. As we boarded the coach,



*we said our goodbyes ready for the week ahead.*

*After a tiring two and a half hours journey, we eventually reached Windmill Hill - the PGL centre where we were staying. As we got off the coach and stretched out legs, we met our team leader Bob. We were shown our cabins and tried to unpack (there was A LOT of stuff).*

*Over the week we did a series of amazing activities including giant swing, raft building, rock climbing and LOADS MORE!!! It was an unforgettable experience full of fun, laughter and brilliant groups."*

*Isabella and Aditi*

#### Y4 Hudnall Park

On Wednesday 9th May, Year 4 set off on an action packed trip to Hudnall Park.

"When we arrived we had a briefing on safety before going upstairs where we heard a practice fire alarm so we all went outside. After that, we had a quick lesson on rivers so that we knew what we were doing.



At the River Gade, we did fun activities like measuring the speed and depth of the water, as well as identifying different invertebrates."

*Katherine*

"At Hudnall Park, we trapped small mammals, which was amazing. To trap the tiny mammals we had two silver metal boxes which clipped together. In the bigger box we



put spiky hay to keep the animal warm, cat food (two chunks) and a slice of apple. Overnight, we caught a wood mouse and we named ours Holly.”

Olivia

“We had three days of non-stop fun! They were the best three days of my life and I wish I could do it again!



My favourite two activities were the nature sculptures and the den building. I liked the art especially because Noah and I made Wembley. The grass was made from the bottom of blue bells and the goals were made out of the tops of the flowers.”

Ali

“I had a fabulous time staying at Hudnall Park. I learned loads of important information and the rooms were PERFECT! I loved the mammal trapping because we learned how to set it up and where to put it (in the hedgerows). I had lots of fun in the orienteering activity because we had a hike around the park and we saw a herd of deer with a stag!”

Anuj

### The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

On Friday 4th May, we had a theatre company come to school to perform, “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.” The



performance mesmerised children from Reception to

Yr 6. The sets were breathtaking with a



show full of music and dance. The professional actors changed into over twenty four costumes.

"It was a truly magical experience for our children." said Mrs Beg.



### Roald Dahl Museum

On Monday 30th May, Yr 2 went on a trip to the Roald Dahl Museum in Aylesbury. Children took part in different workshops and exciting activities based around books written by Roald Dahl.



"We had an amazing trip and really enjoyed ourselves."

Holly & Charlotte.

"We made Mr Twit's beard and played in Fantastic Mr Fox's Tunnel." Ewie

"I loved dressing up as Willy Wonka." Ava

"I went in Matilda's library and even saw Miss Truchbull's chokey." Grace

### Sports

This term so far has been as busy as always with lots of different sporting activities taking place. Starting off the term were Year 6 who took part in a tag rugby event held at Maple Cross Primary



School. With games against Christ Church and Maple Cross all three teams finished 2nd in their group with lots of tries being scored.

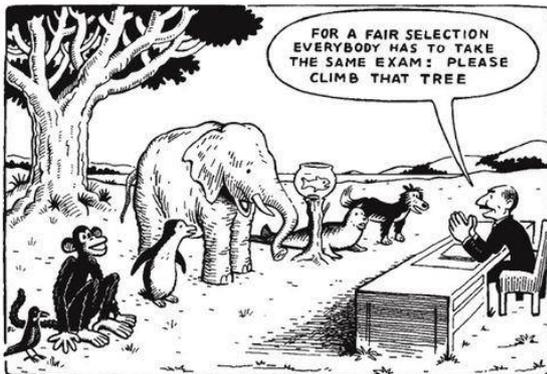
The next sporting event was the girls' football match v Little Green School. This game was a great advert for grass roots football with both teams attacking and going for the win. After coming from 2-0 down Chorleywood unfortunately lost 3-2 to a strong Little Green team.

In the latter part of the half term, Year 4/5 attended a Cross Country event held at Little Green School. With some top three finishes in the individual races it was time for the one lap relay race which saw the Year 4 girls' team and year 5 girls' team finish first, and the year 5 boys finishing second in their races.

On Wednesday this week, two teams of year 5/6 girls took part in the last tag rugby event of the year which was held at The Russell School. The mini tournament was a fantastic opportunity for the girls to play some competitive tag rugby. Well done to all of the girls who took part in the event.

## SATs

I wanted to thank the Y6 and Y2 children for their hard



work in preparation for, and during their SATs. The staff are very proud of the children's resilience and determination everyday but particularly during SATs. They always give 100% and that is all we ever ask. The staff work really hard

to minimise stress levels and I wanted to share a comment from two Y6 pupils.

*"SATs week is one of the best weeks in Y6, other than PGL, because of the brilliant breakfast. We had toast and fruit every day and some sort of pastry, such as waffles, brioches or croissants. SATs week is also amazing because of all the extra breaks we have between the tests."*



Tom and Tawana Y6

### Consultation Danes Educational Trust

Many thanks to the parents who were able to attend the meeting we held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at school regarding the consultation. The consultation remains open until 12<sup>th</sup> June, please have your say.

This can be done by:

- Giving written feedback via the office FAO: Trust Consultation, Chorleywood Primary School, Stag Lane, Chorleywood, Hertfordshire, WD3 5HR
- [www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CWPDETConsult](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CWPDETConsult)
- Giving written feedback using the email address [consultation@chorleywood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:consultation@chorleywood.herts.sch.uk)

Please find attached the power point that was presented at the meeting and the minutes of the meeting.

### Attendance

As part of our ongoing drive to raise attendance we will be taking all the children who obtain an attendance figure of 97% or above on a trip. We will be taking the children to Watersmeet Theatre to watch "Coco". This trip will be on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July. Pupils eligible to attend will receive a letter with further details after half term. Can I reiterate that

the children not eligible to attend the trip will undertake off-timetable activities in school; they will as in previous years have a great time.

### Musical Arts Afternoon



On Friday 13th July at 1.30pm we will be showcasing all the wonderful musical talent at Chorleywood Primary School. This is a wonderful celebration of our musical success over the year. If your child learns a musical instrument out of school, is working at a “public performance” level and would like to perform please let the school know by 29<sup>th</sup> June. **IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT YOU INFORM THE OFFICE OF YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THIS EVENT SO WE CAN ARRANGE THE CORRECT NUMBER OF SEATS.**

Due to the sheer volume of pianists, they have already performed at their own concert in March.

I hope you have a lovely half term, despite the current forecast. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Roberts  
Headteacher