



NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd May 2025

WEEKLY CLASS FOCUS



This half term Chimes' topic is Ghana. They are exploring a wonderful range of Ghanaian items and clothing including the very precious and bright Kente cloth. Students felt the soft fabric and looked at all the amazing colours. They then attempted painting their own Kente cloth patterns. Olly was amazing at holding the paintbrush and moving his arm to create the straight lines. Phoebe watched closely as she moved the paint around the paper.



The story they are focusing on is Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae. The students are looking at lots of symbols and exploring Gerald the giraffe's feelings as he goes through the story, starting off by feeling sad because he 'can't dance' and then ending feeling 'wonderful' when he finds his music. They have spent some time meeting Gerald, and finding out how he dances, moving his feet and tail.



Chimes class are working hard, continuing with their amazing physio each day. This year it is Abel's time to go horse riding with the RDA. He had an amazing first session riding Smarties and then Linford. Abel sat on the horse with support and enjoyed feeling the movement of the horse whilst working super hard to maintain his posture and head control. He nodded to communicate when he wanted the horse to 'walk on'. We are very excited to see his riding progress over the coming riding season.



The class has been taking advantage of the gorgeous weather this week and going outside to play on the trampoline and basket swing, using the mobile hoists. Missy, Phoebe and Delilah had some lovely time chilling on the trampoline whilst Olly and Abel have enjoyed swinging around.



Students have welcomed Cheddar their new furry classmate with open arms, lots of smiles and hugs. She is settling in very well. Olly loves listening to her snuffling noises and feeling her moving around.

SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF THE WEEK



colour	red	yellow	blue	green

DIARY DATES — SUMMER TERM (1) 2025

MAY

- 7th Yrs 10 & 11 FE Information Evening (*rearranged date*)
- 12th Air Ambulance visit to FE
- 13th Sports Morning—Charlton Running Track
- 14th Beaulieu Motor Museum trip (Cello)
- 16th Beaulieu Motor Museum trip (Banjo & Trumpet)
- 20th Earth House Trip
- 20th Full Governors' Meeting (4pm)

26th-30th **Summer Half Term**

JUNE

- 3rd Venus House Trip
- 10th QE2 trip (day one)
- 20th FE Trout Fishing Day
- 24th QE2 trip (day two)
- 27th Summer Fete @ school

JULY

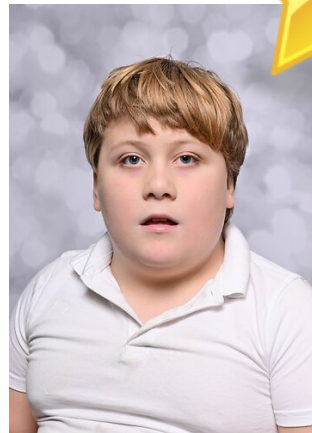
- 8th QE2 trip (day three)
- 9th Governors' Curriculum Meeting (1.30pm)
- 10th **INSET DAY—WHOLE SCHOOL**
- 11th **INSET DAY—FE ONLY**
- 11th FE Prom—evening
- 15th Full Governors Meeting (4pm)
- 18th End of Year Celebration Assembly afternoon



SUPERSTAR OF THE WEEK

The following students have been awarded the Class Star of the Week Award

Chimes - Abel
Drum - Sam
Maracas - James
Tambourine - Archie R
Triangle - Jakey S
Trumpet - Danny
Oboe - Chris
Banjo - Fergus
Cello - Jaycob



The School Superstar of the Week is ARCHIE!!

Archie has been coming out of his shell and is now starting to show his cheeky side—it's lovely to see his confidence emerging. He loves a television theme tune and enjoys sand and water play—swimming is his absolute favourite lesson! Archie also uses up excess energy on bouncing around as well as running races with the classroom staff. He is also keen on using his iPad to type in foreign languages!

FE PPICC CHAMPIONS

(Personal, Physical, Independence, Cognitive, Communication)

CHAMPIONS



Jorge & Kiera

