

Schools of Sanctuary

At Chester Park, we are excited to share that we are beginning a journey towards becoming a **School of Sanctuary**. This recognition is awarded by City of Sanctuary UK to schools that are committed to creating a culture of welcome, understanding and inclusion for people seeking sanctuary.

A School of Sanctuary is a place where everyone feels safe, valued and supported. This includes families who may have come to the UK as refugees or asylum seekers. The programme encourages schools to help children understand, in an age-appropriate way, why some people are forced to leave their homes and the importance of kindness, empathy and community.

This work closely links with one of our core school values: **belonging**. At Chester Park, we want every child and family to feel that they are welcomed, respected and that they truly belong in our school community.

Over the coming months, pupils will explore themes of welcome, kindness and understanding through lessons, assemblies and special activities. We look forward to sharing more about this journey with you and celebrating the ways our school community supports one another.



Eid Party

On Monday 23rd March, we will be holding our Chester Park Community Eid Party, we invite each child to bring in a vegetarian dish to share (No nuts).



If you are preparing a homemade dish, please ensure that you provide a full list of ingredients. This helps school staff support any children with food allergies and ensures all pupils can enjoy the celebration safely.

We are unable to cook, warm, or cut things up at school.

Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes. Please make sure they still have a coat and sensible shoes (no high heels, strappy shoes, etc.) Please still send your child in with a coat for break and lunchtime.

Thank you for your continued support.

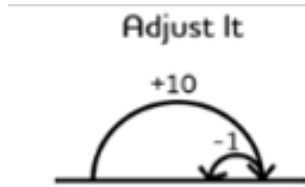


Number Sense— Adjust It

Adjusting helps children realise they don't need to know every number fact — they can use facts they already know to solve new ones.

Example: If a child knows $6 + 10 = 16$, they can adjust this to work out $6 + 9$ by thinking “one less than 16 is 15.”

This strategy makes calculations quicker and helps children see the relationships between numbers, rather than treating each calculation as brand new. It works especially well when numbers are close together and supports flexible thinking in both addition and subtraction.



Any addition and subtraction can be calculated by adjusting from a fact you know already. (e.g. $6 + 9$ is one less than $6 + 10$).







Friends Cake Sale

We would like to say thank you to everyone who supported our most recent cake sale. The amount raised across both schools was £176.47. The Friends of Chester Park will be holding another Cake Sale on Thursday 26th March at both schools.



Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 19th March— Inset Day—School Closed to all pupils
- Friday 20th March—Inset Day—School Closed to all pupils
- Monday 23rd March—Eid Coffee Morning—9am held at Junior School.
- Monday 23rd March—Eid Class Parties.
- Thursday 26th March—Friends of CPIS Easter Cake Sale after school at both schools
- Thursday 2nd April—End of Term 4
- Monday 20th April—Start of Term 5
- Tuesday 19th May—Infant School Sports Day
- Wednesday 20th May—Junior School Sports Day
- Friday 22nd May—End of Term 5
- Monday 1st June—Start of Term 6
- 1st—5th June—Chester Park Belonging Week—More information to follow
- Friday 5th June—Belonging Picnic and Summer Fair from 2pm
- Tuesday 21st July—End of Term 6

	Dojo Hero 	Pot of Gold 		Dojo Hero 	Gold Card 
Class	Infant School		Class	Junior School	
Badger	Harry		Pine	Nadia	Flo, Maryam
Rabbit	Sajid		Willow	Arthur	Jess, Ezra
Squirrel	Mylo		Cedar	Nali	Effie, Sam
Bumblebee	Eesa	Ivan, Aaron	Hazel	Alana	Rhamel, Cora, Jermiah
Hedgehog	Seb		Chestnut	Rhakye	Alara, Ishan
Otter	Wrd	Vinny G	Hawthorn	Natalia	Radina, Basil
Owl	Erica		Sycamore	Bess	Daoud, Hareem
Fox	Aamal		Maple	Xion	Amaya, Crawford
Ducklings		Isa	Ash	Hiba	Alby, Adam
			Whitebeam	Maria	Raheeq, Jasvinder
			Hornbeam	Sara	Kate, Sophia R
Congratulations to this weeks winners!			Oak	Dilawar	Jude, Ronnie

Class	Weekly Attendance	Class	Weekly Attendance
Badger	89.3%	Pine	93.4%
Rabbit	92.9%	Willow	92.9%
Squirrel	93.3%	Cedar	94.3%
Bumblebee	98.7%	Hazel	88.7%
Hedgehog	94.9%	Chestnut	94.2%
Otter	94.0%	Hawthorn	95.9%
Owl	91.0%	Sycamore	96.1%
Fox	94.7%	Maple	86.0%
		Ash	93.8%
		Whitebeam	97.8%
		Hornbeam	97.3%

We raised £176 at the last cake sale!
Thank you so much for all your donations.



OUR NEXT FUNDRAISER



CAKE SALE

Thursday 26th March



50p
cakes



ALL CAKES NUT FREE PLEASE!



DONATIONS NEEDED

HOMEMADE OR SHOP BOUGHT!

Donations can be left at
Infants or Juniors reception from
Tuesday 23rd March

Any questions please get in touch with the Friends Whatsapp





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