



Headteacher writes:

"It's my world, and I don't want any other. What it hasn't got is not worth having, and what it doesn't know is not worth knowing!"

— **Kenneth Grahame, The Wind in the Willows**

This week, like most weeks, was a busy and wonderful week at Chester Park. We started the week with celebrations linked to Eid. We had a coffee morning and we had parties in the afternoon. It was really lovely to see the children celebrating and spending time together. If you celebrated Eid at the end of last week, Happy Eid! On Monday, we also hosted visits from a number of headteachers, who lead local schools. Schools in Bristol are focused on working together to support children across the city. As part of this work, the local council are keen to gather insights from children and young people across the area. Please do support your child in completing the short questionnaire linked to pupil voice which can be found in this newsletter.

Yesterday, we hosted Tess and Homa, who both work with Schools of Sanctuary and wanted to visit to see what goes on at Chester Park. It was really lovely to walk around the schools with them and for Carolyn Price Lee and Safiyah Mahmood to share some of the excellent work we do to welcome, support and nurture children at Chester Park. There was praise for our displays and how we celebrate different faiths, languages that are spoken and countries where children or their families come from. Being a community school is important to us and to you. If you want to contribute to continuing to develop a sense of Belonging, please do speak to the class teachers or the office to share your ideas.

Next week, is our final week of the term and we will have just over two weeks holiday. For those families that celebrate Easter, Happy Easter! There is an Easter Egg hunt on the junior schools site led by City Church on Saturday. Over this term, we have had a number of visits from Rev Matt Stone and his dedicated team to explore Easter in a Box. Thanks to the Friends of Chester Park - who have hosted an epic cake sale at both sites yesterday - and thanks to all the families who contributed toward the event with donations or purchases.

Yours in partnership,

Mike McNama, Headteacher.

Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who supported Comic Relief this year. We raised **£220.95** across both schools. Thank you for continued your support and generosity!



Fish Finger Thursday



Next week, we will be serving the Friday menu on Thursday 2nd April.

Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips

Cheesy Bean Wrap (V)

Pasta or Jacket Potato

Lemon Drizzle Cake

Friends of Chester Park Uniform Swap

If you have any unwanted CLEAN school uniform, please can it be dropped at each school office. On **Thursday 2nd April**, the Friends of Chester Park will be giving away clean uniform that is in good condition.



Fantastic Finales

We are excited to invite you to our Fantastic Finale's. Next week the following will be held for parent/carers to attend. Children will share their learning from this term with you.

Monday 30th March	2.45pm	Year 2
Tuesday 31st March	2.45pm	Year 1
Wednesday 1st April	2.45pm	Year Reception
Thursday 2nd April	9.15am	Year 5

We hope you able to join us!

Have Your Say on BCYC

Bristol City Council are interested in gathering information from young people about their views linked to living in Bristol. They are exploring three broad themes; Safety, Mental Health and Equality and Discrimination. This QR code can be used to access a few questions where children can share their views with the council. Please support and encourage your child to be part of this.

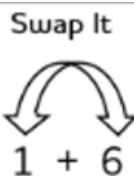


Number Sense— Swap It

Swap it helps children understand that addition is flexible. When the order of two numbers (addends) is swapped, the total stays the same.

Example: 1 + 8 is the same as 8 + 1.

Sometimes swapping numbers makes the calculation easier to think about, especially if one number is bigger or more familiar. This strategy encourages children to choose efficient methods, supports mental maths, and builds confidence by showing there's more than one way to solve a problem.



When the order of two numbers being added (addends) is exchanged the total remains the same. E.g. $1 + 8 = 8 + 1$. Sometimes reversing the order of the two addends makes addition easier to think about conceptually.

Important Reminder About Safe Parking at School Drop-Off

We kindly ask everyone to support our school community by parking **safely and responsibly** during drop-off and pick-up times. Recently, a local resident raised a complaint after their driveway was blocked by a parked car. This is both frustrating for residents and **unsafe for children and families**.

To ensure the safety and wellbeing of all road users, please remember:

- Do not park across driveways** – even for a moment
- Avoid idling engines** – it reduces pollution around our school gates
- Follow all road safety rules** – including speed limits and signage
- Use designated parking areas only**
- Be mindful of pedestrians**, especially children who may be less visible

By working together and showing consideration for our neighbours, we can keep our school environment safe, respectful, and welcoming for everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 2nd April—End of Term 4

Thursday 2nd April—Friends of Chester Park Uniform Swap

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	Kingston	Isabelle	Pine	Flo	Nura, Jazmine
Rabbit	Eden	Rio	Willow	Rupert	Gracie, Arthur
Squirrel	Rhaniyah		Cedar	Leon	Ronnie, Lottie, Elijah
Bumblebee	Azai	Luca, Isaac, Georgina	Hazel	Aisha	Alana, Saaliha
Hedgehog	Hadi	Justin, Mirha, Ivy	Chestnut	Ismaiel	Eisa, Meerab
Otter	Eunice	Wrd, Layla, Ren, Kensa	Hawthorn	Jaxon	Dido, Luisa
Owl	Theo		Sycamore	Theo	Roka, Anna
Fox	Ewan	Vinnie, Freya, Melody, Ruby,	Maple	June	Evan, Milo
Ducklings			Ash	Shanya	Elaina, Alby
			Whitebeam	Leah	Safwaan, Zuhair
			Hornbeam	Afaan	Finley, Albie
Congratulations to this weeks winners!			Oak	Ronnie	Elias, Jayden

Class	Weekly	Class	Weekly
Badger	99.1%	Pine	97.1%
Rabbit	93.3%	Willow	98.7%
Squirrel	84.2%	Cedar	95.9%
Bumblebee	99.6%	Hazel	96.6%
Hedgehog	97.0%	Chestnut	96.4%
Otter	96.7%	Hawthorn	97.2%
Owl	97.0%	Sycamore	95.7%
Fox	95.3%	Maple	85.9%
		Ash	92.1%
		Whitebeam	99.4%
		Hornbeam	85.1%

Mental Health Support Team

Mental Health Support Teams (MHSTs) were established to support schools, helping them develop ways to look after the mental health and wellbeing of children and young people (CYP) as well as the wider school community including school staff and parents/carers.

The MHST are now delivering online sessions which are free to sign up to. Please scan the QR code below to register for our next webinar.

**NEW**

Online Parent/Carer Sessions Exam Stress

**NEW**

To sign up, please
complete a registration
form here:



[MHST Online Session](#)



What is it? This session covers:

- Stress caused by exams (or SATs in primary school) and how to support our wellbeing to prevent stress overload.
- Signs of stress and how to spot when things are building up.
- Providing practical tips for supporting relaxation and wellbeing during the exam period.

Who is it for? Helpful for parents and carers whose children may have Exams coming up.

When are they? Sessions will be run at 12pm-1pm every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

New topics and dates will be released regularly.

The MHST is a partnership between Off the Record (OTR) and CAMHS. We are working with selected education settings across Bristol, North Somerset and South Glos. To find out where we work, check out our webpage:

www.otrbristol.org.uk/what-we-do/mhst/





ACE



EASTER HOLIDAY CAMP

EVERYDAY 9AM - 3PM

WEEK 1

April 7th, 8th and 9th

WEEK 2

April 14th, 15th and 16th

2 WEEKS OF DIFFERENT GAMES AND ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 7-13.

*Sessions are free for youngsters who receive free school meals. Bookings must be made in advance via the QR code below.

There will be a £5 fee per day for those who do not receive free school meals.

SIGN UP HERE!



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