

The Chestnut Chronicle

It is hard to believe that we have reached the end of the school year. Looking back over the past year, I feel incredibly proud of everything the children have achieved. They have grown so much in confidence, independence and resilience, and it has been a privilege to watch them flourish.

In English this half term, we have explored three wonderful texts: *A Walk in London* and *Lost and Found*. These stories inspired the children to write informative guidebooks and their own creative stories. It has been lovely to see how much progress they have made in their writing this year.

In Maths, both year groups have spent time consolidating the many skills they have learned throughout the year. Year 1 have revisited multiplication, division and fractions before learning about time, measures, shape and position. Year 2 have strengthened their understanding of fractions, measures, telling the time to five minutes, and describing shape and position using precise mathematical language.



Across the wider curriculum, the children have continued to enjoy a wide range of exciting learning opportunities. In History, they travelled through time to learn about significant queens and how their roles have changed over the centuries.

In Science, they completed their learning about plants by investigating how flowering plants reproduce and grow from seeds. In RE, the children reflected on the Christian creation story and discussed how we can care for the world. They have also enjoyed creating stop-motion animations in Computing, exploring growing and changing in PSHE, developing their movement skills in PE, and using music to represent different landscapes through sound.

As many of you know, this is my final newsletter as your class teacher. I would like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you for all of your kindness, encouragement and support throughout the year. Working in partnership with you has made such a positive difference to the children's learning.

Most importantly, thank you for sharing your wonderful children with me. They have made me smile every single day with their curiosity, humour, kindness and unique personalities. It has been an absolute privilege to teach them and to watch them grow over the past year. I will leave with many happy memories and will miss them all very much.

I wish every child and family a happy, relaxing summer break and all the very best for the future. I know the children will continue to achieve amazing things, and I am so proud of each and every one of them.

Thank you again, and goodbye.