# **GREAT CHESTERFORD C. OF E. PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 14th, 2020**

#### **Dear Parents**,

#### Year 5 – Collective Worship

Thank you to Class 5 for leading our collective worship on the big question: *Can love change the world?* Through your singing, acting and reading you left us with a very clear message that we can all make a difference and that, if we care for others, love can really change the world.



## KS 2 Outdoor Learning



There has been a bit of a 'Bird' theme in Year 6 this week!

To support the RSPBs Great School's Birdwatch, and to provide data for our maths unit on statistics, Year 6 took an opportunity to use the Nature Space on Tuesday. Groups of children braved the elements in turn to look out for different bird species. Despite the wind, the children saw a good number of varieties. We have submitted our data and used our results to create Excel pie charts and bar charts.

#### **DIALLS Project in Year 4**

Year 4 spoke to their DIALLS project partner school again this week to discuss the latest wordless film from Germany entitled Hedgehog and the City. Children from both schools asked and answered questions about the video online and discovered that there were a lot of similar views. Alfie decided the main message behind the film was, 'If we all work together, we can change the world' and our partner school thought this was great. Afterwards, Year 4 worked collaboratively to design a new park for the community.





## Year 6 Trip to Saffron Hall

On Wednesday, Year 6 were lucky enough to see 'Evelyn and the Yellow Birds,' which is a true story, in Saffron Hall. While they were there, Cherise, Evelyn's granddaughter, told her ancestor's story, which is based in Jamaica. Year 6 were given beautiful origami yellow birds to wave whilst Cherise was singing. Halfway through the performance, all the children were asked to stand up and dance to Jamaican music. This trip was also educational because we learnt about the names of Jamaican fruit and vegetables.

Written by Anya and Neve.

#### **School Dinners**

The new menu is now available on the school website.

We hope everyone enjoys a well-earned break and look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Claire Witney KS2 Lead

Date	Event
17 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half term
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Week
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Open Morning 9.30 – 10.30 am
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter Service at All Saints' Church 9:30am Last day of term
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return to school
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs Week
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Open Afternoon
19 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 Eucharist Service
25 <sup>th</sup> May - 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Half term
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	NPD
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Music Evening 6:30pm
15 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> June	MADD Theme Week
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Transition Afternoon tbc
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Afternoon tbc
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 5 and 6 Summer Play
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 5 and 6 Summer Play
12 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Residential

### Dates for your diary

Date	Event
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 memories assembly 1:30pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Afternoon – current parents only (looking at pupil's work and collecting reports) 2:15-3:15pm for Rec to Year 6
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Leavers' Service at All Saints' Church 9:30am
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 Entertainment 1:45pm Last day of term
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Non- Pupil Day