

CHALKHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Thursday 8th October 2020

Dear Parents, Pupils and Carers,

Last Monday, we launched the theme of 'Aspirations' for this year's Black History Month. The children have been working hard in class to learn about the achievements of significant black figures in the field of science and medicine. After conducting historical enquiry to learn about the chosen individual, pupils were encouraged to write poems inspired by the person's life story or to write about their own aspirations. At Chalkhill, we encourage all pupils to be confident writers. If there is a piece of writing that your child has produced that they are particularly proud of, please post it onto the Chalkhill Writer's Blog at www.chalkhillwriters.com. Please encourage your child to read regularly to help develop vocabulary and understanding that will, in turn, improve their writing.

Aspirations poem by Najah in Year 6:

A dream to fulfil,
Surely I can reach!
Putting all my time
Into what a Christian can preach!
Resilance is the best
A pump of my heart
To have no break or rest
In a game to restart
On a distant area
Never a doubt
Searching for my euphoria



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Since the start of term, homework for pupils have been set online via Class Dojo or Seesaw. Thank you for supporting your child in using these online platforms to complete homework. If there are any issues regarding homework, please speak to your child's class teacher. As mentioned a few weeks ago, the school will be moving towards using Google Classroom as the main online platform. Ms. Mehta has begun running parent and pupil workshops for Year 6 and for other year groups in the upcoming weeks. Please refer to Google Classroom workshop dates below with further dates after half term. For further information about Google Classroom, please visit the school website:

<https://www.chalkhillprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Google+G%2DSuite+for+Education&pid=186>

This week, the school has been receiving donations for the Harvest food bank. Thank you for all your generous donations of tinned food, pasta, rice and cereal. The collection of food will be donated to a local food bank by the end of next week.

Parents' forum will be taking place on Thursday 15th October between 9:30-10:30 via Zoom. The link will be emailed to you on the morning of the meeting. If you are unable to attend, please email any questions you may have to admin@chalkhill.brent.sch.uk. To ensure that the Parents' Forum runs smoothly, please note the following expectations:

- Join the meeting 5 minutes before the start time
- The name that you enter with must include your child's name and class
- Mute your sound upon entry

Please be punctual for the Parents' Forum as we will be unable to admit any latecomers. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Kind Regards,
Ms To
Head of School

Key dates:

- Parents' Forum: Thursday 15th October 9:30-10:30
- Half term: 26th-30th October
- Parent Consultation phone calls: Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th November from 3:30 onwards.

Google Classroom training dates (via Zoom):

- Year 6: Friday 9th October
- Year 5: Friday 16th and Friday 23rd October
- Year 4: Friday 6th and Friday 13th November

All Zoom links will be emailed to you before the meeting.



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World Mental Health Day 2020 on Saturday 10th October is the most important one yet. The months of lockdown and loss have had a huge impact on us all, and prioritising mental health has never been more important than it is now.

The theme this year is 'mental health for all'.

Making positive change can seem so hard, especially during uncertain times. And sometimes, it can be hard to know where to start. Take the opportunity this World Mental Health Day to find out more about how you can start with one thing.

Do one thing today

Whether it is going for a walk, learning a new skill or doing something creative, taking the first steps to getting support for yourself, or reaching out to someone else; take the opportunity to do one thing this World Mental Health Day.

Mental health charities, groups and services

Mental Health Foundation 020 7803 1101

Improving the lives of those with mental health problems or learning difficulties.

Together 020 7780 7300

Supports people through mental health services.

BACP Find a Therapist Directory 01455 883300

Through the British Association for Counselling & Psychotherapy (BACP) you can find out more about counselling services in your area.

mind.org.uk

General advice and support

Citizens Advice

Gives free confidential information and advice to help people sort out their money, legal, consumer and other problems.

Refugee Council 020 7346 6700

The UK's largest organisation working with refugees and asylum seekers.

Relate 0300 100 1234

Offers advice, relationship counselling, sex therapy, workshops, mediation, consultations and support.

Education Support Partnership 08000 562 561

A 24/7 telephone support line which gives teachers access to professional coaches and counsellors 365 days a year. The network also campaigns for change within schools and education policy in order to improve the wellbeing, mental and physical health of teachers.

Support for children and young people

place2be.org.uk

Young Minds 020 7336 8445

Provides information and advice for anyone with concerns about the mental health of a child or young person.

Childline 0800 1111

Free, national helpline for children and young people in trouble or danger.



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