



Justice Term 2

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Principal's Message

Dear all,

Welcome to another jammed pack CFS news magazine, reflecting on some of the amazing things that have happened at the School over the last six weeks. Justice Term 2 has certainly been a busy one. In many ways it will be another half term remembered for the continued impact of Covid, this time through high staff absences. Thank you for your patience and support over these challenging few weeks, especially to Secondary parents whose children have had the occasional days of remote learning, and of course to the pupils themselves who have been so resilient with changing timetables and teachers. But this magazine is a true celebration of how the last six weeks have been so much more than that

This has been the half term when enrichment, trips and events have really been back in force. And wow, what a six weeks it has been. We have had careers talks, Science week – including our amazing cross phase Science Olympics, the parents and staff quiz, movie night, Dare to Dream, talks from the Army, World Book Day, House Point parties and several trips in both Primary and Secondary. We have also continued to celebrate a Culture of Kindness – rewarding our first Kindness Ambassadors, nominated by their peers. And it has been a joy to have Principal's Award tea parties with children from across all year groups celebrating together again, often for inspiring acts of care and consideration. I have also been overwhelmed by the care shown by the pupil body towards children and families affected by the crisis in Ukraine.

One of the greatest joys of this half term has been having sporting fixtures starting again, after such a long hiatus. We have had dodge ball, swimming galas, cricket, rugby, football and cross country amongst others, with pupils from both phases representing their school, and themselves, with confidence, ambition and pride. There has been a real buzz around school as the tales of sporting adventures are relayed the next day – tales of personal bests, overcoming adversity, challenges and successes. Not only has it been so wonderful to have children being able to participate in sport like this again, but we have also been doing very well at it! I know that it is the taking part that matters above all else, but it has brought great excitement amongst the pupil body to hear of fantastic wins against other local schools. As one of the PE department said – 'we now have a seat at the top table', and it is lovely to see. More on our sporting successes and adventures later in the magazine.

Earlier this half term we said farewell to Mrs Dunning, one of our dedicated Design Technology Technicians who has supported the Food, DT and Art departments in school. Mrs Dunning left us to pursue her own creative endeavours. And today we also say a fond farewell to Primary teacher, Mrs Claire Prior (nee Waring). Mrs Prior has been at CFS for nearly six years, and will be missed as a teacher, colleague and friend. As well as teaching so many pupils in her own classes, Mrs Prior has also led on the development of Physical Education in the Primary phase, and commissioned and helped to design the wonderful new playground markings we now have in school – a fitting and permanent reminder of her lasting impact. Mrs Prior is changing focus, moving into post 16 college education, and we wish her every success in her new role. After Easter, we welcome Miss Hannah Smith, an experienced Primary teacher from Edward Bryant School, as a new member of the CFS team.

Mrs Potts went on maternity leave last week and we await exciting news! Mrs Turnbull is now Head of Year 8.



Principal's Message

This week we also welcome back Georgia Hayes from maternity leave. Mrs Hayes returns to us as Assistant Principal: Primary Pupil Progress three days a week, and it is great to have her back in school. Mrs Tunnicliffe now starts her new role as Assistant Principal overseeing Teaching and Learning in both the Primary and Secondary phases of the School.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parental body for all of the donations we have already received for the replacement of the staff car park through road. Work takes place this holiday – hurray! If you would like to support us with the cost of this long term solution the Local Giving page is still open. <https://localgiving.org/fundraising/CFSRoadwayProject/>

A polite reminder of the CFS uniform policy - <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/about-us/school-shop-and-uniform/>. We have had several pupils informing us that new shoes, skirts etc are being purchased over the holiday and would ask you to consider the policy carefully before making any purchases. Specifically a reminder that black trainers are not permitted as school shoes, and skirts must be loose fitting and not made of stretchy material. Also a reminder that nose piercings are not permitted. As always, we will conduct formal uniform checks at the start of Courage Term and contact you if we have any concerns.

Easter is one of my favourite times of year and, whilst we still face ongoing challenges, there is a sense of normality for many this Easter that we have so sorely missed over the last two years. For our Year 11 pupils we know that this won't be a relaxing holiday, with GCSE revision happening in earnest including at the in-school revision sessions during the second week of Easter. But as we keep reminding them, there is a very long summer ahead for them after the exams as reward for all of their hard work. But for the rest of the pupil body, and of course their families, I hope this is a holiday of relaxation, new beginnings, time with family and friends, sunshine and maybe even a lot of chocolate! I am looking forward to welcoming pupils back on Monday 25th April for a busy and exciting Courage Term.

Happy Easter and happy reading!

With very best wishes,

Mrs New
Principal



EYFS

Doesn't the sunshine make everything better! We have found it certainly enabled our children to explore outside more this term and of course the sunshine makes Forest School more fun! We have absolutely loved this term's learning, including coming in dressed up for World Book day and Comic Relief.

Our focus on bugs has enabled the children to explore writing independently and expanding their creative sides. We have enjoyed writing worm facts, naming our worms that we have in the wormery in Apple class, and making worm paintings! We have used our creativity to make insects out of junk modelling and also following photo instructions to create lots of different mini beasts. We hope that you enjoyed receiving your Mother's Day cards and can see the progress in your child's writing.

We also hope you enjoy reading their reports - we are very proud of every single one of our pupils. Thank you for your continued support, particularly with Mrs Andrews and Mrs Cooper stepping in to lead Cherry Class. We can't wait to continue with more exciting learning opportunities in the Courage Term.

A date for your diary - **Friday 13th May**. We will be going on our first school trip in a very long time and of course the first for your children, to Goodwood Farm! You will receive further details on this very soon. Have a lovely Easter holiday.

**Miss Emmett, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Andrews
Mrs Golby and Mrs de Witt**



Key Stage 1

Year 1

In Year One we have enjoyed learning about all things Under the Sea. The topic started with our visit to the Blue Reef Aquarium in Portsmouth. We learnt about how sea animals have adapted to live in their environment. We continued this learning in school, creating a display all about it. In RE we have been looking for stories in different religions about how people look after each other. In Geography we have learnt and located the 5 oceans on our planet.

In English, through learning about the books 'Tiddler' and 'The Snail and the Whale', we have been making diaries and using amazing adjectives and conjunctions. In Maths we have looked at measure and have now begun learning about multiplication and division.



Year 2

Year Two have been learning about their topic 'One Small Step' for the past half term. We have immersed ourselves in the world of space explorers, learning all about the very first people to go into space and to the moon. We also enjoyed our own "trip" to the moon with Bob and wrote some fantastic postcards to our families afterwards, thankfully we all made it out of the huge craters safely!

We have also learnt about the incredible achievements of American aviator Amelia Earhart, and some other fantastically great women who changed the world. In Maths this term we have been learning about fractions and shape and we have been applying our arithmetic skills in each lesson and we have really improved!



Key Stage 2

Lower Key Stage 2

Year Three and Year Four's learning this term has been Out of this World as they have explored their topic The Rise of the Robots and learnt about space too! Their topic was enriched by a fantastic trip to Winchester Science Centre where the children had the opportunity to have a go at the many hands-on activities and marvelled in the planetarium. Ollie in Year 4 enthusiastically recalled his learning about a volcano on mars is as big as France and is three times taller than Mount Everest!

Year Three and Four have also enjoyed getting stuck in with some Design and Technology by sawing wood to make cars as well as reading, exploring and drawing 'The Iron Man'.



Upper Key Stage 2

Year Five and Six have been reading and exploring 'Darwin's Dragons' by Lindsay Galvin. This book has inspired a number of stunning pieces of writing including some rich poetry and some very formal letters to the queen! They have also been moulding and sculpting coral reefs in Art, working together as a team to recreate the beauty of nature in clay form. These two year groups particularly enjoyed British Science Week with Year Five making and selling Frittatas and Year Six some yummy soup! Some Year Five children called their cooking of frittatas the highlight of their year so far.

Year Five and Six have also been enjoying our on-site Forest School area with Jen, our Forest School leader, and have helped further improve the area by planting even more trees.



Key Stage 3

Year 7

This half term Year 7 have continued to go above and beyond with their participation in all aspects of the curriculum.

On 8th March, Year 7 celebrated International Women's Day by sharing the stories of inspiring women from past and present in an assembly to the whole year group.

Maisie Best spoke about Amelia Earhart: first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.

Emilia Chapman spoke about Hollie Doyle: Female Jockey. Sophie Cath, India May Harwood and Lillie Shippam spoke about Ellen MacArthur - English sailor. Rafferty Gregory spoke about African Education.

Year 7 have also chosen their next set of Kindness Ambassadors. These pupils were nominated by a number of different Year 7 pupils. The following pupils have been awarded Kindness Ambassadorships:

Sophie Cath
Lillie Shippam
Fergus Miller
Millie Hermans

Miss Oxley, Head of Year 7



Year 8

We had Year 8 Pegasus run their assembly this term on 'Types of Food and Anaphylaxis'. A huge well done to the tutor group for putting it together but an extra shout out to the following pupils who presented the assembly to the whole year group: Alfie Barnes, Lloyd Graves, Tyler-James Gaitt and Isabel Boyle.

We have had a lot of representatives from Year 8 in different sports and fixtures. A huge well done to all those involved and keep up the good work.

On a more personal note, I would like to thank you all for being amazing over the last six months. I hope you have a fantastic Courage Term and I will be glad to see you all when I return from my maternity leave when you are all in Year 9!

Mrs Potts, Head of Year 8



Year 9

On Wednesday 2nd March we had Dare to Dream visit CFS to deliver the first of three talks to our Year 9 pupils. The core aim of their work is to enhance both the mental health and life opportunities of children and young people through self-belief, self-awareness and confidence. Our pupils loved the talk and we look forward to welcoming them back in May and July to deliver the remaining talks.

Dare to Dream also work alongside Rolls Royce and 15 of our Year 9 pupils began a wonderful opportunity to meet virtually with some employees of Rolls Royce as part of a mentoring programme. Again our pupils loved this opportunity and look forward to continuing this.

Mr Carter, Head of Year 9

Key Stage 4

Year 10 have settled well this half term and are really getting into their GCSEs. The visit from Sargent Barrington discussing her recent record breaking trip across the Atlantic as part of a mixed team of 4 was particularly well received.

Next half term will see the launch of the student leadership process with pupils applying and interviewing for the positions of school prefects or even head prefect! Pupils will also be working towards both the end of year rewards trip and the Year 10 exams – details to follow!

We have had a number of successes this half term, in particular the Year 10/11 Girls football team beating Midhurst Rother with a last minute goal! The Dance students performing at the 'Dance House Showcase' at the Alexandra Theatre, it was a long day but they did so well! One pupil stated "I have never won a medal before, thank you so much and I am so glad I did it even though I was so scared"! The PE Bake sale was also a great success raising £282 and led by a team of Year 10 girls.

Mr Elliman, Head of Year 10



Wow, so the end of Year 11 is really creeping up on us all.

I think back to standing in front of Year 11 in September talking about the year ahead. They have done me so proud and have shown such resilience and determination – the feedback from their Mocks has been fantastic.

The sign up for Easter revision sessions is incredible, with a lot of them being fully booked already – this just demonstrates the hard working attitude that so many Year 11s have.

Communication has been sent about personalised timetables, study leave and exams – please ensure to familiarise yourself with this information but as always please do not hesitate to be in contact if you have any queries.

Good luck for your last full term Year 11

Mrs Tulley, Head of Year 11

Maths

Primary

We've done it...

CFS is officially THE BEST school in the local area on TimesTable Rockstars. What an achievement! Well done to everyone who has been working hard on their times tables knowledge, both in and out of school.

A special well done to:

Max, Ethan, Jemima, Alexia, Alice, Wren and William (Chestnut)

Elliot, Sophie, and Jonty (Cedar)

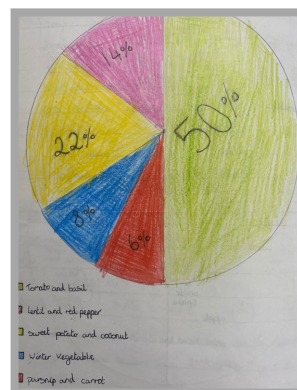
Meryl, Hermione, Noah, Darcey, Raphael, Archie, Lilia, Vincent and Jacob (Elm)

George and Charlotte (Willow)

Harry (Maple)

All of these children have been smashing their homework goals each week – well done!

Rank	Name	Mean Studio Speed (seconds / question)
1	Chichester Free School	3.05
2	St Richard's Catholic Primary School, Chichester	3.11
3	North Mundham Primary School	3.33
4	Bartons Primary School, Bognor Regis	3.44
5	Chidham Parochial Primary School	3.56
6	The March CofE Primary School, Chichester	3.80
7	The Prebendal School	3.90
8	Birdham CE Primary School	3.90
9	South Bersted C of E Primary School, Bognor Regis	4.20
10	Portfield Primary Academy, West Sussex	4.29



Soup	Votes	Total
Tomato & basil		18
Lentil & red pepper		5
Sweet potato and coconut		8
Winter vegetable		3
Parsnip & carrot		2

	aldi	Sainsbury's	Tesco
olive oil	21.49	23.40	22.50
onion	20.50	20.55p	20.30
chicken	20.79	20.75	20.75
lentil soup	24.47	26.50	23.27
peas	20.47	20.47	20.47
salt	20.27	20.27	22.00
pepper	20.85	22.00	23.00
Total	148.84	147.24	142.29

It is always wonderful to see so much fantastic Maths occurring across the classrooms in Primary. This term, the highlight has been our amazing Science Week! As you know, Maths plays a huge part in Science, so it was great to have the opportunity to get stuck into some Maths outside of our usual lessons.

Across the school, children were applying their Maths knowledge by:

- * researching favourite foods using tally charts,
- * presenting this data using bar graphs and pie charts,
- * scaling up recipes using ratio and proportion skills,
- * researching the cost of ingredients and calculating and comparing prices across several supermarkets,
- * measuring ingredients when cooking.

The children had a lovely week – it was wonderful to see all their hard work pay off at our outdoor market on the Friday afternoon!

Mrs B Wilson

Maths

Secondary

End of the spring term means only one thing..... Easter eggs and rest.

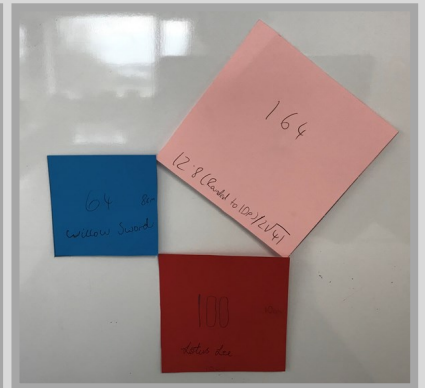
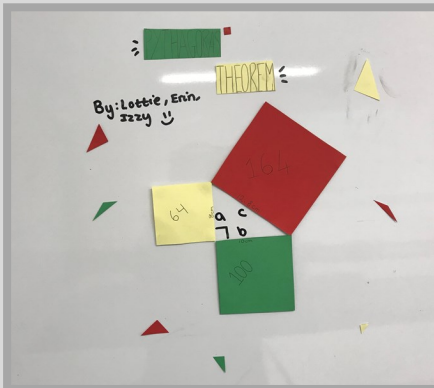
Year 7 have been hitting some new heights with recent assessments showing that their maths futures are in their hands with some very encouraging results. They have also spent time working in teams to undertake various maths problems.

Year 8 moved to linear graphs this half term with a focus also on quadratics to keep them going on the maths journey to GCSE. They also spent time in Miss Mace's class mastering Pythagoras.

Year 9 have been spending time exploring a variety of topics including mastering quadratic equations and also quadratic graphs.

Year 10 are carrying the maths flag again by taking time to master GCSE basics including various formulas. They have also spent some one-off lessons exploring real maths. Mr Tilling decided to get his pupils out of class to figure out how long it took them to get from one lesson to another. The group also spent time exploring average speed and finding out how quickly they could sprint, jog and walk.

Year 11's are now at the point of no return with a mock exam first week back followed by their GCSEs shortly after. Their journey has been an enjoyable one for the maths teams with pupils keen to learn new problems and challenge themselves to get better.



Easter problems.

1. The Easter bunny can only take 3 eggs at once. He has to choose from the following colours; red, green and blue.
How many possible ways can the Easter bunny carry the eggs? (The bunny can carry the same colour more than once)
2. The Easter bunny delivers 19 eggs to 47 towns. How many eggs has the bunny delivered in total?
3. An Easter egg is left outside in the sun. It takes the egg 253 mins to melt into a puddle. How many hours and minutes is this?
4. A mother duck has 12 ducklings. They all walk 25 metres to the nearest pond. How many metres do they walk in total?

English

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, pupils in both Primary and Secondary explored 'Marion Arbona's picture book Window' as inspiration for creative writing. Here are some of the imaginative pieces composed by our year 9 students, describing what they could see through the windows of Arbona's book.

Ms L Elmes, Head of English

A gust of wind blew the curtains sideways, parting in the middle. It gave a clear view of all that was inside...

Lilie Holly—Chaos crossed my eyes as I looked in the window. A gust of wind appearing from the gigantic fan made the curtains fly around the room revealing unusual animals gliding. Imitating birds, the creatures were soaring through the air. There was an emerald green dinosaur, a straw yellow rabbit, a rose-pink polar bear, a lime green baby bear, an indigo frog, and a sky-blue lizard.

Riyan M—The rusty crusty old window was shouting at me to look in. It was massive, my eyes were getting lost. A demonic looking head turned around the corner. We looked at each other in silence.

Daisy A—A fantasy creature blew the curtains with the force of its breath. A giant, solid horn stood on the middle of its forehead and a multicoloured bunny rabbit was hopping away in fear of getting gobbled up.

Imogen Satchelli—Darkness poured over me and I could just make out what looked like a coffin. Shuttlecocks flew through the air and landed beside some rats which scurried across the floor into the tiny black hole in the wall.

Max Metcalfe—A bent over, old lady walking with crutches inside her house: with a watering can watering.

Lois Lutman – Pauc—Cobwebs gather around the edges and dust sweeps off the surface. The glacial, bitter outside breeze drifts through the crevices of the window. The glass so fragile it's about to give in. Rotten flakes shred away, the brittle frame falls apart.

Harry J—Chaos, absolute chaos. Everything was flying towards this massive fan: dirty sponges, dead lamps, and, I am fairly sure, some magical creatures. Everything looked like it had doubled in size - chairs the size of sofas, sofas the size of large tables - household objects were smashing violently against the wall.

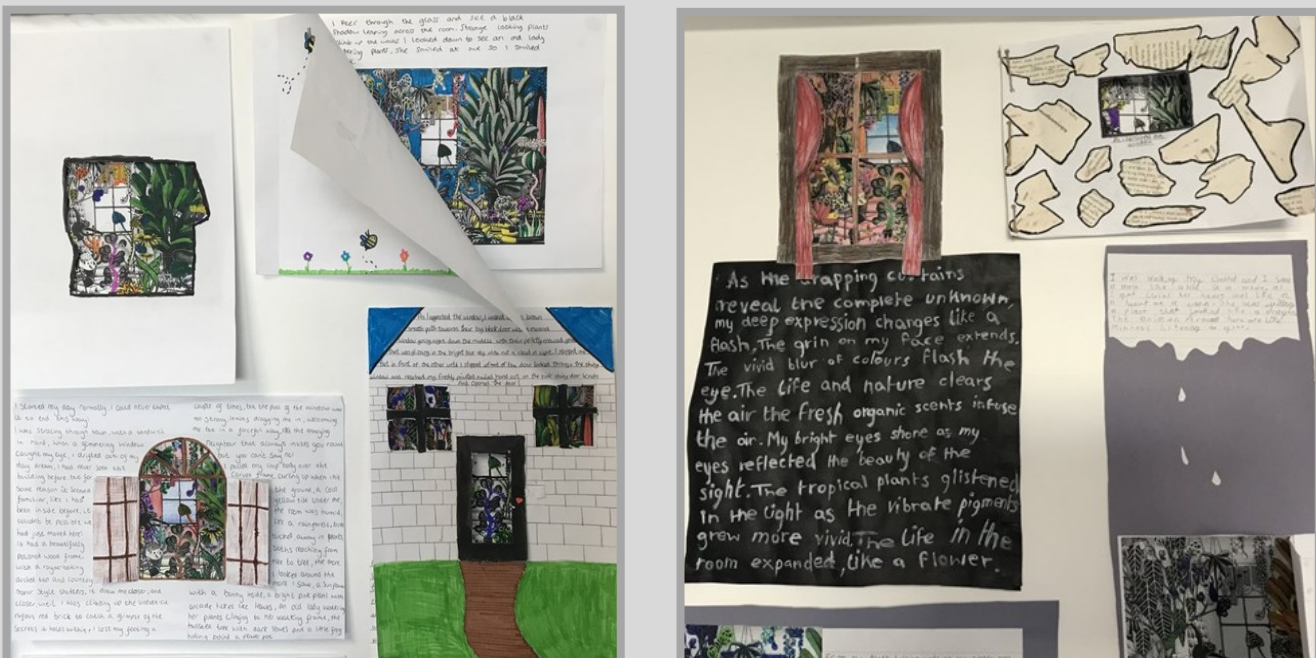
Eveleigh Pope—It looks like it's snowing but every so often it will stop. BLUE. That's what attracts the most attention; a big deep circle of cobalt blue embedded into the snowy mountain that fills up the room.

Tom P—An odd figure floated around. It looked like it was playing badminton. There were shuttlecocks flying everywhere. A zero-gravity room? Blood sucking bats covered the room - it must have been their thing.

Oliver N—Dark, scary and mysterious, the room had no light. A weird looking monster was glaring at me. He floated through the air and his bright, white, glistening fangs were showing.

Grace Acton—Small bug like eyes, as golden as a desert, stalked in the depths of the room watching for any sign of motion. They could swarm. Hints of sunlight burned through the window. Decaying and splintering shards of pine wood fell as the human like creatures pranced across the darkening space.

English



Science

Here is a report on the Science Olympics by Sophie Cath in Year 7

On the 17th of March 2022, CFS hosted an amazing Science Olympics to all of the CFS community. There was an array of activities from heart dissecting to science quizzes to Coke and Mentos! So many people came, from 4 years old right up to 16 years old. They all had a wonderful time, the activities were fun and interesting for all ages and some amazing science behind the experiments along with some competition!

We had so many votes for so many different activities but here are some the people really enjoyed: Many people loved our special visitors with karaoke all run by the power of cycling as well as some scientific challenges. Thank you to our amazing guests.

We also had lots of comments on our heart dissection station where you could see all the valves and structure of the heart. Along with that, we had some lovely bottle rockets, circuit making and some spaghetti tower making challenges!

"I liked the bottle rockets because it was fun and the people running the activity explained how it worked," 8 year old CFS pupil.

"My favourite is the heart because I love biology and it was really interesting to touch and see how it worked."

"The spaghetti towers were the best! I was able to build a really tall tower! It is a fun after school activity!" 9 year old CFS pupil

"I loved the paper aeroplane because my plane was good and went a long way!" 6 year old CFS pupil

"I loved learning about the three different sciences and I love physics the best because the car activity made it fun whilst learning!" age 10.

"I can't wait for secondary and to do lots more fun experiments. My favourite was the air cannon; I knocked over lots of cups!"



Science

I asked parents and pupils some interesting questions during the Science Olympics, here are some of their answers:

What people wanted to find out in the future:

Will humans ever be able to travel at the speed of light?

Will we ever be able to live on Mars?

Will computers ever catch up with humans?

I want to know the periodic table off by heart!

I want to find out the weather we can find a way to live as we do today but stop climate change.

We also asked what famous scientist they knew and we had answers like:

Brian Cox

Isaac Newton

Jennifer Duodena

Edward Jenner

Stephan Hawking

Darwin

Einstein

Michio Kaku

A fact I learnt was:

You can make an electromagnet from a piece of iron and wire.

Mentos and Coke react and sends the Coke flying in the air!

The heart has 4 chambers.

There are 3 types of science.

You can generate electricity from cycling.

Tinfoil floats.

Leaves each have their own print like a fingerprint!

Thank you to everyone who took part in our amazing Science Olympics celebrating National Science Week!

A special thank you to...

Mrs Comins – for organising the Science Olympics!

Mrs Fry – for helping out!

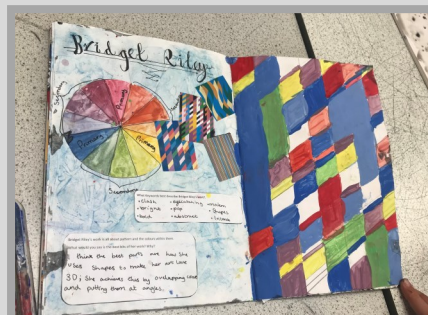
And all the other teachers and the CCF who made our amazing 2022 Science Olympics happen!

Reported by Sophie Cath - Year 7

Creative Arts

Year 7 have been enjoying their **Art Fat Folio** project this term.

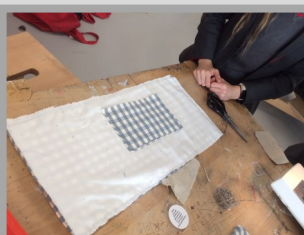
Every couple of weeks pupils have been looking at a different artist, exploring the techniques used, and articulating what they like about the artist's work and why using relevant keywords. They then take aspects of the artist's technique and apply it to their own work. Here we see sheep drawn in ink inspired by the work of Henry Moore and a study in colour based on the work of Bridgit Riley.



In Key Stage 3 DT Year 8 have made solid progress with their 'Swag Bag' project. Pupils have been practising hand sewing and learning how to use a sewing machine to make a sample pouch. They are now moving on to using these skills to create their final product, choosing to make a colourful drawstring bag, tote bag or lined bag with fastenings.

Year 9 are exploring their own unique take on the traditional tic tac toe game. They are starting by modelling their initial designs in card, then will refine their designs before making the final product using materials including various woods and plastics.

We look forward to sharing some of the end products with you in the next magazine!



Sport

This term I have asked our staff, who go above and beyond every week to make fixtures happen at CFS, to write a short report on their teams' achievements this term. I hope you enjoy reading them as much as I did! On a personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Prior (nee Waring) (our Primary PE Co-ordinator) for her tremendous commitment and contribution to sport at CFS and her drive to increase the opportunities that our pupils have experienced in competitive sport, as she embarks on a new chapter in her teaching career. Huge boots to fill!

Mr Day, Head of PE

Mr Dean - Year 8 Rugby

The Year 8 boys rugby team were out in full force at the Chichester High School tournament this term. Despite losing two team members before we left, they showed high levels of resilience and determination up against some very established rugby teams with no substitutions throughout the tournament. There were some huge tackles and all-round, excellent team spirit, especially Lloyd who was very motivational during the team talks. The team also featured the Year 7 captain, Joe Cox, playing a year group up against some Year 8s that easily would fit into a Year 10 line up! Our player of the tournament was Haydon, as top try scorer, and for tackles you could hear from the side-line, with additional top performances from Ben for great leadership and Harry for strong



Mr Tilling - Year 7 Rugby

This is my first ever write up about our giant slayers, and I must say our footprints are making ripples in and around the schools of West Sussex, as well as in the hearts of the neutrals who were present. Several matches of high energy, commitment, power and speed saw the boys win some great matches, finishing 3rd out of eight teams. The pupils demonstrated a real 'never give up' mentality and have shown the CFS community, as well as West Sussex Schools, that CFS is ready to dine at the top table. Players of the tournament were Marley Pope and Joe Cox with excellent communication from Thomas Knight.



Miss Oxley - Year 7 Netball

Huge congratulations to our Year 7 Netball Girls who went to their first fixture this term and represented the school incredibly. The respect they showed to the other schools' pupils and staff was just wonderful to see. My personal highlight was a win against the Bourne school 2-1 and to Lily F-C for her monster performance in front of the hoop.



Sport

Mr Green - Year 7 Football

Our Year 7 boys' football team have had two opportunities recently to try to emulate the success of some of our other teams and they came very close at the recent inter-schools competition held at Midhurst. Following a friendly at Bishop Luffa where trials were held, fierce lobbying on behalf of some players ensued (and was ignored by the coach!) and a squad of eight was selected. With a subtle yet effective method of player rotation during each match to keep the opposition guessing, the boys came away with a win, one draw and two losses. Since the tournament, a number of new players were approached during the transfer window and we're delighted to have Chi High's top striker on our books (though they lost to us on the day...) Congratulations to Joe Cox, Marley Pope, Jenson Ward, Jonny Cash, Fin Shackleton, Neil Singla, Jamie (where are my shin pads) Cantwell and Josh Bickell.

Mr Day - Girls Cricket

This term I had the pleasure of taking the Year 5/6 Girls Cricket team to the Regis for a Sussex Cricket event. All the girls showed excellent aptitude for the sport, developing their skills, and finishing top of all the Primary schools in the final competition. A massive thank you must also go to Poppy H (Year 11) who also attended and coached the girls throughout, after passing her young coaches' course - there were some genuinely touching moments!



Miss Emmett & Mr Day - Athletics - Corporate Challenge and Cross Country

Our runners have been out in full force this term over three late Wednesday runs in the town centre as part of the Corporate Challenge held every year in Chichester. A huge congratulations must go to all the pupils for participating but especially those who made top 10 finishes in their respective categories: Lucas B, Marnie P, Harry C, Ray L, Isabella B, Megan S, Laila H and Lillie H. Also, well done to Mya D who was the most improved runner, decreasing her time by over a minute from the first race to the last! And well done to our Secondary pupils who attended the Sussex Cross Country Championships this term. Well done to Harry C who finished 33rd out of 200 runners, managing 3.4KM in 14.19 minutes and he should be very proud of his achievements, and to Laila and Lillie H for their supreme efforts at the Senior Cross Country, narrowly missing out on a spot in the intercounty team due to timing errors!



Sport

Mrs Prior- Primary Events

The Year 6 dodgeball team had a fantastic day out at Chichester College this term competing in a huge tournament. After a rocky start, they pulled together for an impressive comeback! They enjoyed every minute of it and showed tremendous sportsmanship throughout. Player of the tournament was Kardelen for her lethal throws!

The 9th of March was 'Let Girls Play' day - an initiative to encourage girls to get involved with football. We held a big lunchtime football session for girls in Years 5 and 6 which was really well attended. Keep it up girls!

The Year 5's had a fantastic time at the swimming gala in Felpham. They were so enthusiastic and encouraged each other beautifully throughout the entire event. They were such a credit to our school and their positivity was definitely admired by the schools sitting near to them! Special mention to Hadley Coote for showing great determination to complete his leg in the relay and to Buddy Wesson for stepping in at the last minute to compete in the Boys butterfly!



School Houses

House points have been awarded depending on each events criteria. Below are the current House points awarded and congratulations to all the pupils who have taken part! From all of us, The House Champions, Presidents, Ambassadors and Heroes, have a wonderful holiday; rest, relax and come back ready to go!

House Points Total So Far...

From all the events this term, and pupil reward points, here are the totals so far.



Aquila 29389



Noctua 27778



Pegasus 30437



Phoenix 26051

Congratulations to all houses this term! Everyone has been amazing and participating in our events, gaining extra house points and trying to aim for this year's House Cup which will be announced next term!

Many changes have happened this term with our House System and we are continuing to develop and build up even more House opportunities. I am happy to announce that Miss Emmett is now the House Champion for Charity, Mr Dean the House Champion for Competition and Miss Pye the House Champion for Community as well as continuing being the Head House Champion. With the new roles, the House Champions will be leading activities in these fields, as well as working with our pupils to build even more events.

Our Football event has been going on over this half term where all year groups have taken to the pitch to represent their houses. The crowds have been building and cheering, the players tearing up the pitch and Mr Dean working frantically to calculate the scores. More on this further on!

We have also continued the 'Fuzzy Project' which our House Presidents, Ambassadors and House Heroes have taken the lead on, more about this on our community page. We have also been fundraising for the Ukraine appeal and Comic Relief as well! Miss Emmett, our newest House Champion has been working hard with pupils preparing for our charity week next term. Keep your eyes on the bulletins for all the opportunities to help raise money and get involved in loads of activities. We have also had the launch and audition stage of our House Festival, we are currently going through all the entries and will be announcing which four acts will represent their houses shortly.

Next term we have our Great CFS Bake Off, Charity Week and our Pay as You Feel community and charity dinner. Lots to get involved in for all of the CFS community.

Huge well done to all pupils taking part in events right through to supporting each other through our Culture of Kindness. Have an amazing Easter break CFS, well done for all the hard work and we look forward to seeing you after the holidays.

Miss Pye, Head House Champion

House Community

The 'Fuzzy Project' is fully underway where our student presidents, ambassadors and house heroes have taken the lead by making fuzzy friends, worry worms and even turned their hand to aqua bead friends and crochet animals.

The Fuzzy Project was created as we want to bring a smile to everyone in the CFS community as well as the community around us. In order to do this, we asked pupils to create their own fuzzy that could make another person smile. Our amazing house team have already hidden over 300 of the little friends around our community and 100 were placed around the school. We will be doing more during the Easter break with many saying they plan on taking them around their local areas and hiding them in places in the great outdoors. Who knows maybe the Easter Bunny will find one.

Some fuzzy friends have also been on trips with one reported in to us in Birmingham and another found making a trip to Lands End! A few have been found at Tangmere Aviation Museum and several have been found in Bognor and Chichester town centres. Please keep your eyes open for the fuzzy's, if you find one, take it home and let us know where you found it! They make great listeners and they are always up for making people smile.

After the Easter Break we will be launching our Pay as you Feel Charity/Community Dinner where our amazing CFS pupils will be taking over, creating a beautiful 3 course meal for those wishing to come along and try some of their amazing culinary talents. Interviews for the key positions of Head Chef and Maître d, kitchen team and front of house team will be taking place directly after half term. The event will take place on 27th May, keep your eyes out for news and how to book your tickets.

Miss Pye, Head House Champion



We received this wonderful email from a member of the public.

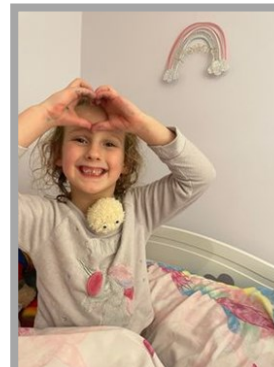
"Today I was so happy I made a new fuzzy friend at the park I've named him 'Leighton' after my best friend! We've planned lots of adventure together and I couldn't wait to show my big brother and sister my new friend it's really brightened my day! Thank you to the kind person who left it for me I really am grateful!

Thank you from
Isaac aged 3yrs"



We also received this wonderful message.

"We found a fuzzy friend. He is called Bob and he was found on top of the bookshelf in the corridors by Florence Coote in Year 1 Beech Class"



House Competition

This term has been excellent for competition in the house system at CFS. We hosted the first competition of the Inter-house games, the CFS Football House Tournament.

The table at the end of the pool play meant that, in KS3, Pegasus (the unbeaten team) played Noctua in the final and Phoenix played Aquila for 3rd place. The atmosphere was ecstatic with pupils from all year groups supporting their teams with pride and passion. The game was incredibly close with few chances due to excellent midfield and defence from both sides. Halfway through the game Douggie played a sublime through ball to Sam, powering the ball into the top corner. The lead was retained finishing the final 1-0 to Pegasus.

In the 3rd/4th play off Aquila faced Phoenix. Aquila unfortunately struggled in the first half of the game due to not fielding enough players. The remaining players did eventually join but it was too late for Aquila being already 2-0 down resulting in the win and 3rd place finish for Phoenix with both goals, and nearly a hat-trick, from Keiron!

KS3 end of pool play table

House	Points	Goal Diff.
PE	9	9
NO	4	1
PH	3	-6
AQ	1	-4

In KS4, to settle the draw for 2nd place, Pegasus and Phoenix played a penalty shootout best of five shots with Phoenix winning due to an excellent performance in goal from Riley. The KS4 final was won by the standout team of the tournament, Aquila, captained by David in a 1-0 win over Phoenix, scored by Noah. The 3rd/4th play off was end-to-end finishing 2-2 with goals from Anthony, Eddie and James. Resulting in penalties which was won by Pegasus taking 3rd place.

KS4 end of pool play table

House	Points	Goal Diff.
AQ	7	4
PE	4	0
PH	4	-1
NO	1	-4

Throughout the whole tournament, our prefect responsible for the House System, Oli, refereed, supported, organised and managed his KS4 Noctua team – thank you for all efforts with the inter-house tournament Oli, you did an excellent job!

Mr G Dean, House Champion for Competition

Inter-House Football



Mid audience wave in the finals for KS3



Aquila the champions of the KS4 Inter-house tournament



The astro was packed on the final day of competition.



An athletic clearance from Noctua's centre back in the final.



A penalty taken by the Noctua captain, Oli

A goal from Anthony, of Noctua's top goal scorers



Hayden making a run down the wing in the KS4 final from David's through ball



House Charity

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported all of our charity events this term. As we know every contribution counts and the CFS community has shown a great level of generosity across our charity events. Our 'Bags 2 School' appeal raised £304. Instead of adding to our CFS fundraising pot, we have decided to donate this money to the British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal.

Comic Relief was also a brilliant success - our primary pupils really enjoyed 'dancing funny for money', and the secondary Cycle Smash raised loads of cash! In addition they did indeed absolutely smash the aim of cycling 100k by completing over 400k! No matter how you donated, it all counts. We raised an amazing £553.95. Thank you so much for this. Next term we will be holding our annual Charity Week supporting some brilliant local charities. We look forward to sharing more details about this with you soon.



Money raised for charity this term

Bags 2 School - Ukraine appeal £304

Comic Relief - £553.95

Total raised for charities - £857.59



Miss Emmett, House Champion for Charity



CCF

Hello Everyone! It has been a little while since you have had an update from us all in the Combined Cadet Force. So much has been happening!

Firstly, Mr Dascalopoulos has officially joined us as our new School Staff Instructor. This is a key role in the smooth running of a contingent and Sgt. Dascalopoulos has already had a massive positive impact on both the adult volunteers and cadets.

In January our Year 8 recruits joined us bringing our numbers up to 85 plus cadets. This is the largest we have ever been and now that all the cadets are in their MTP Army uniform, the sheer number of CFS students in uniform is a wonder to be seen.

Congratulations to the newly promoted Cadet Sergeant Wallis! Cadet Sgt Wallis has been with our CCF since we took our first intake in September 2017. He has been a core member of the contingent for the whole of this time, always embodying the Values and Standards of the British Army. Mr Wallis has left CFS as a student but remained part of our contingent and returns each week to help lead and mould our new cadets. He has just completed his CFIT training which allows him to teach the cadets the basic level of training. Congratulations again Cadet Sgt. Wallis!

We have had two CCF trips recently. The first was to The Army Flying Museum in Middle Wallop. Ten cadets were able to explore the museum and learn about the history of flight within the Army. As part of the trip, the cadets received a talk from Captain Askey from the Army Air Corps about careers in the Army, the benefits and draw backs from this and allowed them to hold drill versions of the rockets rounds from Army helicopters. The second trip was to The Tank Museum in Bovington. Twenty cadets spent the day exploring the history of tank warfare, starting in World War One, moving through to World War Two, The First and Second Gulf Wars and ending up in the Afghan Conflict. There was so much to see, we did not get to see it all so we will definitely be returning!

In our normal training, our Year 11 cadets have all been undertaking their CFIT training and will soon also be able to lead basic training for the younger cadets. Our Year 8 cadets have received lessons on drill, basic military knowledge and how to look after and maintain their uniform. They will be moving on to basic fieldcraft lessons next half term, kickstarted by our Exercise: Spring Shakedown taking place during the Easter Holidays. Our Year 9 and 10 cadets have been busy continuing their basic first aid training and their signals training. They will be taking part in a training day during the Easter Holiday to complete this, where they will receive their 'Radio Badge' and be able to use the radios when out in the field unsupervised.

CCF

Every week we are getting more interest from other pupils wishing to join, which is amazing. If your child is interested in joining CCF and they are Year 8 or above, they are more than welcome to come and speak to myself, Sgt. Dascalopoulos or any other member of the CCF team.

You can also email either myself on rcook@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk or Sgt. Dascalopoulos on cdascalopoulos@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk.

Year 7 pupils will have the opportunity to sign up after an information assembly and taster session in the first half of Temperance term next academic year when they are in Year 8.

On behalf of all of the CCF team, have a lovely Easter Break,

Captain Cook, Contingent Commander
CFS CCF.



Careers & Futures Hub

Careers Events in School

This has been an exciting term up in the Futures Hub as we have launched our new careers initiative called **TLL**, which stands for '**Tuesday (or Thursday) Lunch Live**'! This is where we invite outside speakers into school to talk about their careers, what they do, how they got there, sharing meaningful anecdotal stories about the need for courage and resilience, alongside setting out what employers are looking for within their sphere of work. The sessions are fortnightly up in the Futures Hub and pupils can 'buy' a ticket with a potential question they may ask our guest. Each one is recorded as a podcast, the links to which will be shared with parents and pupils after Easter. In addition to the lunchtime session, the school is making best use of our guests by inviting them to talk to specific classes right across the school during class time.

This term we have been fortunate to have heard from two speakers, both of whom are parents of children at the school; Ian Moore, a Human Resources Executive who has worked in the boardroom of several global brands; and Pete Cunningham, a Sports Scientist with a PhD who has supported gold winning Olympic Yachting teams. Both sessions have been excellent, with over 150 pupils having heard their journeys. On the last day of term, we welcome Sam Woodward into school, a BA Pilot who will talk about what it takes to become one, alongside painting a wider picture of working in the Travel & Tourism industry.

A big thank you to all our speakers this half term and to those pupils who have come along, listened, and been inspired. The calendar of speakers for after Easter will be confirmed on return next term. Should you like to be a guest speaker at some point over the next 18 months, please do feel free to email rangell@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk



Work Experience:

Our Year 10 pupils are currently preparing for their 'Experience of Work' week which is during the first week of July. Most pupils have found their own work placement already and are looking forward to being an employee from Tuesday 5th to Thursday 7th of July. On Friday 8th July, pupils will be given mock interviews, some of the questions being reflective of their experiences at work. To make this happen, the school will need several volunteers to help interview our pupils, and that is where we are hopeful some parents may come forward to help.

Should you be able to give a couple of hours on Friday 8th July to interview some pupils and support the school with this work, please do email rangell@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk to confirm your availability. Thanks in advance!

Co Curricular

This half term saw the launch of Bikeability in Partnership with West Sussex County Council. Over the course of a week 41 Year 7 and Year 8 pupils embarked on a two hour cycle ride around Chichester, in sometimes very cold weather, learning about road safety. All 41 pupils succeeded and gained their certificate in Bikeability. This will become part of the pupils' CFS Passport.

Mrs Moon



Co Curricular

The Language club had an away day to the Food Tech room this week for a *Crêpe* making session. We looked at *une recette* and deciphered *les ingrédients* such as *les oeufs, la farine et le lait*. Everyone had a go at assembling equipment, measuring and mixing, cooking and serving and of course clearing up. Great team work from our KS3 pupils and I believe several staff members complimented them on the finished products when presented with a little surprise *crêpe* to round off the day.

Our linguascope password updated this week so please email Sue Moon if you require it, click the following link to access the site www.linguascope.com. Please do use it regularly at home to move the languages skills of the whole family forward. There are loads of languages, levels and games to choose from.

Once we return from the Easter break we have GCSE French, Spanish and Mandarin oral exams on May 5th and 6th (Mandarin tbc) so please also support the pupils doing those with lots of good wishes and offers to practise with them. You don't have to be an expert, just be willing.

Best Wishes to all,
The MFL Department



Principal's Award

This half term, the following pupils have received the Principal's Award. They have received five House Points and enjoyed a celebratory tea party with Mrs New. Well done to everyone!

Albert Culwick	Year 1	For always being ready to learn
Amber Hicks	Year 1	For showing great progress with her independent writing
Harriet Bulger	Year 2	For a superb performance on our recent round of tests
Jacob Maynard	Year 2	For huge improvement in his independent work
Millie Streeter	Year 2	For her amazing work in Maths
Lucy Osborne	Year 4	For providing glue sticks for the class
Hadley Coote	Year 5	For great perserverance in swimming
Kardelen Kaya	Year 6	For always going above and beyond with her work
Troy Trussler-Carter	Year 6	For writing a fantastic poem about a volcano
Sholah Udy	Year 6	For excellent gymnastics skills
Joe Cox	Year 7	For an outstanding rugby performance
Marley Pope	Year 7	For an outstanding rugby performance
Charlotte Uffindell	Year 7	For completing GCSE level Science work

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Oliver Bacior	Year 8	For brilliant effort, attitude and perseverance in Maths
Alfie Barnes	Year 8	For showing great kindness in supporting a younger pupil who fell off their bike
Charlie Julian	Year 8	For some very impressive GCSE level Art work
Brooke Chilton	Year 9	For earning Science Star of the Month
Charlie Best	Year 10	For an outstanding charity cycle and fantastic representation of our CCF
Paige Du Toit	Year 10	For fantastic practical Science work
James Pain	Year 10	For winning the Gold Certificate—Best in School—in the UKMT Maths Challenge
Ana Pogosian	Year 10	For an outstanding English presentation
Melis Welch	Year 10	For great progress and always working hard in Science

April/May

The dates in red have been added since the calendar was first published.

Date and Time	Event	Year Groups
Monday 25 – Friday 29 April	KS3 Careers Match	KS3
Monday 25 – Friday 29 April	Great CFS Bake Off – Primary	Primary
Monday 25 April	WSFRS visit	5
Wednesday 27 April	WSFRS visit	R & 2
Thursday 28 April 1340 - 1630	GCSE Dance Showcase rehearsal	10 & 11
Thursday 28 April 1700 - 1830	GCSE Dance Showcase	10 & 11
Friday 29 April	Internal Cricket Day	KS2
Friday 29 April	Sharpie Cup	7
Tuesday 3 – Friday 6 May	Great CFS Bake Off – Secondary	Secondary
Tuesday 3 – Friday 6 May	Live Poetry Visit	9 & 10
Tuesday 3 – Friday 6 May	KS3 Careers Match	KS3
Tuesday 3 May	WSFRS visit	2
Wednesday 4 May	Senior Mountbatten	Secondary
Thursday 5 May 1900	Mayflower Theatre Trip to see Footloose	10 & 11
Monday 9 – Friday 13 May	Great CFS Bake Off – Celebration	Whole school
Monday 9 – Wednesday 11 May	Goodwood Residential Trip	5
Tuesday 10 May	Super 6 Athletics	7
Wednesday 11 May	Reception Health Screening	Reception
Thursday 12 May 1700 - 2000	Pupil Progress Consultation evening (virtual)	8
Thursday 12 May	Boys reward trip (invite only)	11
Friday 13 May	Trip to Goodwood Farm	Reception
Monday 16 – Wednesday 18 May	Goodwood Residential Trip	6
Monday 16 May – Friday 20 May	Class Council Week	Whole school
Monday 16 May – Friday 20 May	GCSE Exams begin TBC	11
Tuesday 17 May 1400 - 1430	Phonics Check Meeting for parents	1
Wednesday 18 May	Reception Health Screening	Reception
Thursday 19 May	Dare to Dream visit	9

May

The dates in red have been added since the calendar was first published.

Date and Time	Event	Year Groups
Monday 23 May – Friday 27 May	School Council Week	Whole school
Monday 23 May – Friday 27 May	MFL trip (approx. £675)	Secondary
Monday 23 May – Friday 27 May TBC	School production	3 & 4
Monday 23 May	D of E Expedition prep	Secondary
Tuesday 24 May	D of E Expedition prep	Secondary
Wednesday 25 May	Staunton Farm trip	1
Wednesday 25 May	Reception Health Screening	Reception
Thursday 26 May	Performing Arts Showcase	Secondary
Friday 27 May	Lunchtime music concerts	Secondary
Friday 27 May	Pay as you feel charity/community dinner	Whole school
MAY HALF TERM (House event – Walkathon)		