

NEWSLETTER

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2019-2020

The school year for 2019-2020 is one that we will never forget and hopefully never repeat in any similar kind of way. Today is the official end of the year but we're very mindful that for most pupils, their experience of school in 2019-2020 finished several months ago.

We want to take this opportunity to once again say well done to all the children

who have persisted with their home learning since March, even when this has been difficult to keep up momentum - we are proud of you. Thank you to all the parents and other family members who have helped our pupils to keep going with their studies - we know this has not been easy. Finally, we are grateful to all our school staff for their hard work, positive attitude and team spirit in helping the school community to get through this challenging time.

We wish everyone a happy, restful and healthy summer and look forward to welcoming back our new Years 3-6 in September.

Mr McTaggart
Executive Headteacher

Mr R McIntosh
Head of School

**HAVE A GREAT
SUMMER!**

Key Dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 2 nd September	Non-pupil day
Thursday 3 rd September	First day of school for ALL pupils - please read the information letter sent last week for important details

Leadership changes

The new CLP Trust primary school in Colchester - Lakelands - has been successfully approved for opening in September by the Department for Education. Mr McTaggart has overseen the school's first phase of development in an Executive Headteacher role until this point. As planned, Mr McTaggart and Mr McIntosh will revert to Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher of BFJS from September 2020.

Goodbye and Goodluck
Good Luck All the Best
KEEP IN TOUCH Luck Goodbye
All the Best
You'll be missed Keep in touch
Luck Goodbye and
Best of Luck Goodluck
You'll be missed GOODBYE
BEST OF Good LUCK
YOU'LL BE MISSED All the Best

Goodbye to Year 6

We said goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils last Friday. Parents, family members and staff came out at the end of the children's day to clap and cheer them as they left Barnes Farm for the last time. A special thank you to Mrs Jackson who made the brilliant balloon frames and arch which brought so much delight to the children and helped make their last morning feel even more special.

Earlier in the week, the children enjoyed a movie and munch evening in their bubbles and also put the finishing touches to their end of year leavers' assembly videos.

The traditional shirt signing had taken place over the course of the previous 4 weeks and they contributed to a Yearbook which has been published.

We are so proud of all our Year 6 pupils - they have developed as learners, grown in confidence, become more independent and formed good relationships with their friends and our staff. For the children who returned to school, we have been so impressed with the way in which they have continued to thrive in a very different environment and we know that the last 6 weeks here will have made a positive impact on them in many ways.

All the staff and governors of the school wish Year 6 all the very best of luck for the next stage of their lives - come back and see us some time!





6G Red



6G Orange



6C Green



6C Yellow



6S Blue



6S Purple





Mrs Davis - one of our LSAs who worked with 6G Orange in the last half term - offered to make friendship bracelets for any Year 6 children who requested them. This is the third year she has done this for Year 6 and we thank her for her time and effort.

The children in the Year 3 and Year 6 childcare bubble enjoyed creating their own sun catchers (made from recycled materials) as their end of term craft activity on Tuesday. They were made using plastic from packaging and ribbon from gift bags. They were excited to get them home and hang them up on their windows to enjoy over the summer.

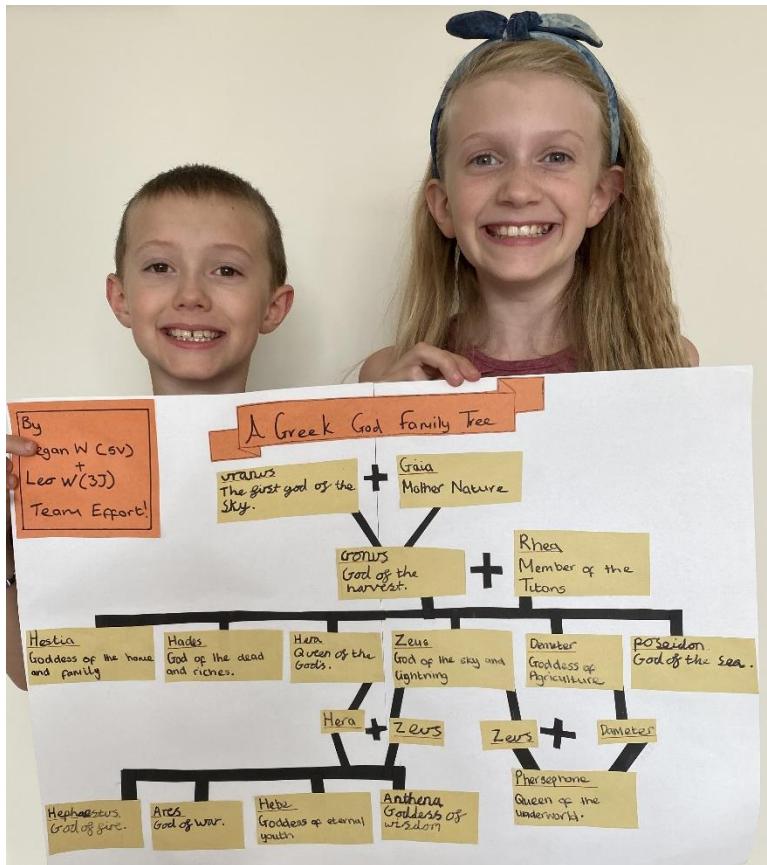


Keeping active over the summer

The Chelmsford School Sports Partnership has a wealth of fitness, sport and active lifestyle challenges and activities on their website that we would encourage children and families to engage with over the summer:

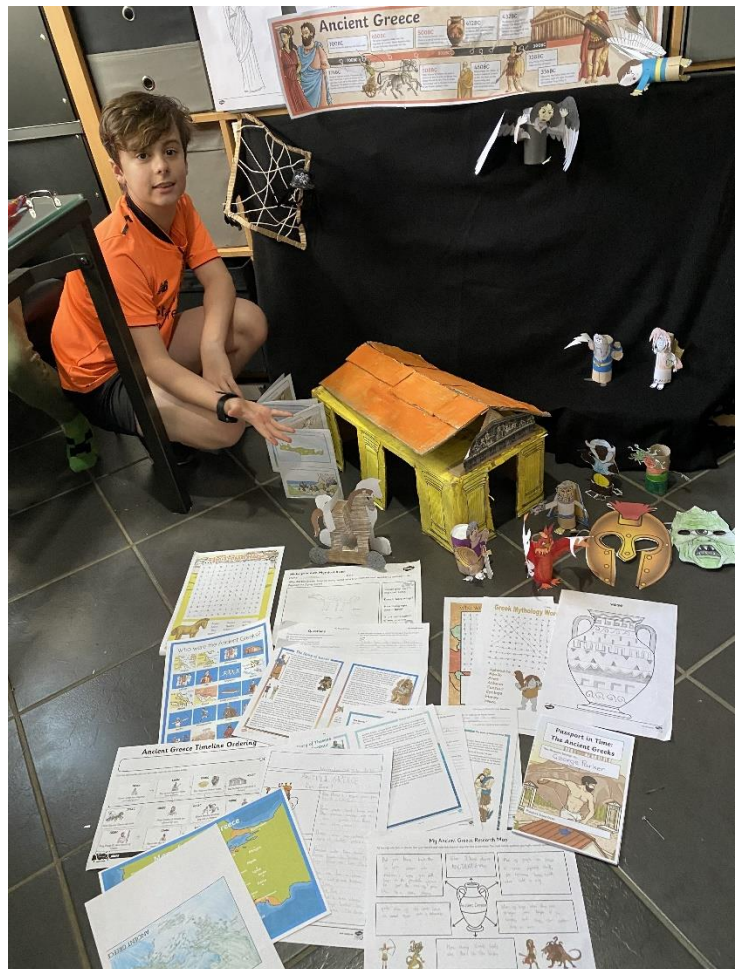
<https://www.chelmsfordssp.com/physical-challenges/>

Home Learning examples



Megan (Year 5) and Leo (Year 3) undertook lots of research about the Ancient Greeks and found out about each of their gods. They created this very clear family tree of the Greek gods, starting with Gaia (Mother Nature) and Uranus (the first God of the sky).

George (Year 5) has been really productive in his learning about the Ancient Greeks!





Do you have any Barnes Farm Infant or Junior School **uniform** in good condition that your child no longer needs? Any **winter coats**? Or any **wellies** suitable for infant aged children (sizes approx 10 – 1)?

Do you need any of those items for when the new school year starts in September?

After talking with both Barnes Farm Infant and Junior schools “**The Clothes Rail**” will be opening at Church of Our Saviour, Ashton Place.

How will it work?

Starting on Thursday 23rd July, you can drop off any clean uniform, coats or wellies at Church of Our Saviour from 10.30 – 12.00

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, they will then be a quarantined for a week.

Starting on Thursdays 30th July, and then each subsequent Thursday, from 10.30 – 12.00 you can come and choose anything you need from **The Clothes Rail** as well as make any further drop offs.

All items will be **FREE**.

If you have any questions please contact Claire - 07807 472414 or Judy - 07946 535198 or email theclothesrail@churchoos.org.uk

We hope to see you soon as we work together to build community and become more eco-friendly.

Claire Musselwhite & Judy Woosnam



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5 June – September 2020

#LetsGetSilly this summer!

The Summer Reading Challenge 2020, which is produced by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries, is **Silly Squad**. Children taking part in the Challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck into all different kinds of funny books!

By reading or sharing books and rating and reviewing them on the new Summer Reading Challenge website children will unlock digital rewards, activities and videos.

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