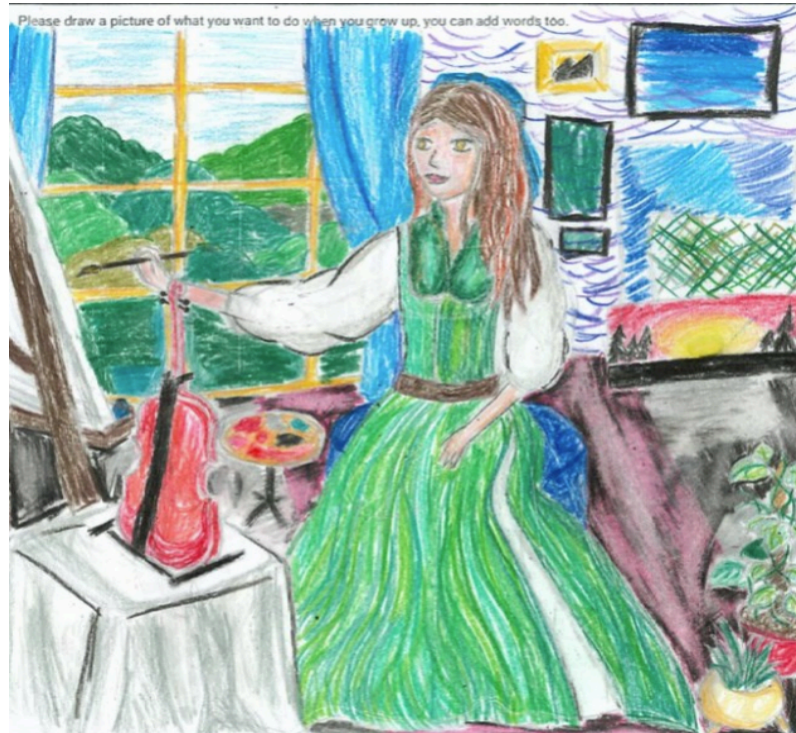


# NEWSLETTER

21st March 2025

## Big Ambitions Day!



Children at Chase Bridge are inspired to have Big Ambitions! Through our careers project, they are learning valuable life skills—how to save money, what skills they'll need for their chosen careers, and how to find their 'piece of the puzzle' in the world of work. You can see some of their fantastic dreams in the 'Inspiring the Future' gallery.

<https://www.inspiringthefuture.org/campaigns/when-i-grow-up/#gallery>

Looking ahead to the summer term, we are excited to host Big Ambitions Day! A day where members of our community are invited to visit and share their career journeys. This special event will give children a glimpse into the possibilities that await them, helping them take steps towards the future they dream of!

More information will be shared soon!

Mr Ballantine

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## Times, dates and places for your diary

- Monday 24th March - **Last Orchestra session; Last week of Squad training**
- Tuesday 25th March - **4B swimming; Year 1 Phonics parents meeting online 5.00pm**
- Friday 28th March - **Year 1 Weather workshop**
- Monday 31st March - **No Squad training this week; EYFS & KSI Easter Bonnet Parade**
- Tuesday 1st April - **4B swimming**
- Friday 4th April - **End of term**

### Holiday dates for the academic year 2024-25

Friday 4th April - **TERM ENDS**

Tuesday 22nd April - **TERM STARTS**

Monday 5th May - **BANK HOLIDAY**

Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - **HALF TERM**

Friday 18th July - **END OF TERM**

## Baby Chicks

The children in Nursery and Reception loved watching our eggs hatch into chicks. This really helped them to build on their understanding of life cycles. The children loved stroking and holding the chicks and commented on how soft they were.



## Year 5/6 Fantasy Football League Update

The Year 5/6 Fantasy Football League remains fiercely competitive! Thomas The Frank Engine (Louis B) holds onto the top spot with 1529 points. Great Greeny LC (Josh E) stays in second with 1419 points, while Frantastica FC (Francesca R-R) closes in with 1400. Irn Brunich (Mr Kelly) had a strong game week, earning 66 points to reach 1335 and moving up to 4th. Flaming Squid (Lucas B) rounds out the top five with 1298 points.

Rank	Team & Manager	GW	TOT
1 ●	<b>ThomasTheFrankEngine</b> Louis B	44	1529
2 ●	<b>Great Greeny LC</b> Josh E	31	1419
3 ●	<b>Frantastica FC</b> Francesca R-R	57	1400
4 ●	<b>Irn Brunich</b> Mr Kelly	66	1335
5 ●	<b>Flaming squid</b> Lucas B	33	1298

## Baby Bear Found!

Around a month ago, Mrs Jackson lost her orange baby bear from the ELSA room. She searched everywhere but couldn't find it. **Darin (4C)** felt bad for Mrs Jackson and decided to help her; he made some posters asking people to look for baby bear. After the parent consultations, a parent from our school saw one of Darin's posters and immediately recognised it. The very next day, it was returned to school safely with lots of stories to tell Mrs Jackson about its wild adventure.



## Reading Buddies with Radnor House



We are delighted to welcome 6th form students from Radnor House who are reading with children from Reception and Year 3.

We know that additional reading opportunities have a significant impact on children's confidence and progress, and we are excited to offer this enriching experience.

## Swimming Gala - update



We recently shared our swimming teams' results of 13 medals and 5 ribbons at the borough swimming gala. Following this, the points accumulated from the results in those events mean that the girls finished third place overall, and most impressively have won the Girls Large Schools Swimming Trophy! This is the oldest trophy in the borough, dating back to 1946, with Chase Bridge first winning it in 1963. Well done **Hayley, Francesca,**

**Meera, Emily, Jess, Lyra, Flo and Catriona** for such a fantastic achievement.

## Sporting News



It has been a spectacular sporting week here at Chase Bridge with the rugby team, the boys' football team and the netball team all reaching the final knockout rounds in their respective leagues. All teams have performed brilliantly and we are so proud of their achievements. Congratulations to the rugby and netball team who have now finished in their chase for the league cup and good luck to the boys' football team who continue through to the quarter finals!

Well done to **Catriona, Maya, Vienna, Ganeeve, Francesca, Florence, Jessica, Ronan, Ollie, Matthew, Parker, Milo, Louie, Dexter, Teddy, George, Louis, Henry, Freddie, Daniel, Elsa, Hayley, Luca, Arjun and Julia!**

## Chiswick House Museum

Thank you to Ricky Pound who recently came to school and talked to the children about Chiswick House Museum. He spoke about the history of our local area and encouraged the children to visit and find out more historical facts. One fact the children learnt was that some dinosaur bones were found outside the school!

Mr Pound has managed museums and historic houses for over 30 years, including Chiswick House, Marble Hill House and Gardens, JMW Turner's Sandycombe Lodge and The Twickenham Museum. He is also a trustee of the London Luminaries. He has a passion for history and looks to inspire others to appreciate their local history, art and architecture.

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## Summer Clubs

The Club's information for the Summer term will be going out next week. Please don't forget to complete your google form by **noon on 17th April**.

## Absences before/after school holidays

Just a reminder that any absence directly before or after school holidays will be unauthorised unless you are able to provide medical evidence of absence.

## Ofsted

We are delighted to share an update following our recent Ofsted inspection. The visit provided a valuable opportunity for inspectors to see the school in action, meet with staff, parents and pupils and gain a deep understanding of our learning environment, values and aspirations. It was a robust process and we anticipate that the final report will be published shortly after the Easter break, at which point we will be able to share the full details with our school community. Thank you as always for your continued support.



## Mobile Phone & Smart Device Policy

We have updated our **Mobile Phone and Smart Device Policy** to ensure a safe and focused learning environment. Key changes include restrictions on smartwatches with recording or mobile connection features, rules for GPS trackers in Years 5 and 6, and clearer guidelines on online conduct and responsibilities.

The updated policy can be viewed on our website <https://www.chasebridge.richmond.sch.uk/policies>

## FoCB News

**Easter Eggstravaganza - Saturday 29th March, 1pm - 4pm** - The Friends of Chase Bridge are busy planning this fun event, so be sure to buy a ticket for your child so that they can complete the Easter Trail and claim their easter egg prize. Tickets cost £4 per child and can be purchased outside school next week or [online here](#).

As well as the Easter trail, we will have a craft area where your child can make their Easter bonnet for the bonnet parade at school the following week, so let FOCB do the hard work sourcing all the craft materials, and bring your child along to complete their bonnet with us! There will also be plenty of Easter themed games so join us for an afternoon of fun - and don't forget to get baking for the Easter Bake Off competition too! Information about this was in the letter sent out this week. We do still need volunteers to help for an hour on the day; please look out for messages from your Class Rep or email [chasebridgepta@gmail.com](mailto:chasebridgepta@gmail.com) to sign up to help.

## Quiz Night - Friday 9th May, 7.30 - 10.30pm

Get the date in your diary now for our ever-popular annual Quiz Night! Look out for more information about this that will be coming out before the end of term.

## CB Family & Well-Being Coffee morning - 23rd April

Chase Bridge Primary School

### CHASE BRIDGE PRIMARY FAMILY AND WELL-BEING COFFEE MORNING

JOIN US AND OUR SPECIAL GUESTS...

- YOUNG CARERS RICHMOND
- PURPLE ELEPHANT CHARITY
- ACHIEVING FOR CHILDREN
- SKYLARK CHARITY
- RIVERBANK CHARITY
- HEATHAM HOUSE YOUTH CLUB
- WHITTON YOUTH ZONE
- HOUNSLOW FAMILY MATTERS
- SPACE2GRIEVE
- HOME START
- MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

AND OTHER GUESTS TO BE ANNOUNCED!

WEDNESDAY, 23RD APRIL  
9:15AM TO 11:30AM  
KNELLER RD, TWICKENHAM, TW2 7DE

REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE  
*Scan me*

Are you interested in learning more about the services available to support you and your family?

We are delighted to invite you to our **Chase Bridge Family & Wellbeing Coffee Morning on Wednesday, 23rd April from 9.15am to 11.30am.** This event will bring together a wide range of external services that we work with to support our local families. It's a fantastic opportunity to meet professionals, ask questions, and find out about resources available to you.

### Who will be there?

Our guests include representatives from: **Young Carers Richmond & Hounslow; Mental Health Support Teams (MHST); Hampton Fuel Charity; Schools Safer Officer; School Nurse**

**(NHS); Parenting Lead (Achieving for Children); Skylark Charity (SEND); Purple Elephant Project (Play Therapy); Heatham House Youth Club; Whitton Youth Zone; Riverbank Charity (Support for Single Mums); Parent Carer Forum (SEND); Chase Bridge ELSA Team; Home Start (Support for Families with Young Children); Hounslow Family Matters (SEND Support for Families); Space to Grieve (Bereavement Support); Hounslow Family Information Services**