

Chalkhill Primary School Bulletin

Boletín de noticias de La Escuela Primaria de Chalkhill



Friday 10th October 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

We had another successful week at Chalkhill Primary School.

For the Black History month the children welcomed Alim Kamara on Thursday 9th October 2025.

Alim shared some interesting traditional stories with the children and positive affirmations that the children could take away. They also learnt about key figures in Black History. Thank you to Ms Matthews and Mr Frederick for organising this visit.

I would like to Thank all the parents/carers who joined us on Thursday 9th October 2025 for the Headteachers meeting. It gives me immense pleasure to see how invested our parents are in the education of the children in our school.

Medical Updates:

We are currently updating all our records.

Please can I request that all Medical forms that have been emailed are completed if you have not done so already.

Flu vaccinations is scheduled for **Thursday 16th October**.

Please refer to the information sent to you earlier this month and complete the consent form as requested.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards
Mr Cloete



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Thank you.

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Friday 17th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Formal Warning or Education Penalty Notice

We are writing to you because this year, we aim to have an absence rate below the national average and to exceed our attendance target. We think it is very important that all our pupils benefit from 190 days of learning to ensure they make progress and achieve the results they should. If a school can improve its attendance by 1%, this can result in a 5-6% improvement in attainment. We are asking you to support the school by ensuring your child achieves excellent attendance.

Here are some of the ways in which you can help our school achieve excellent attendance:

- Aim for your child to have 100% attendance.
- You can make a request to me in advance if you feel you have exceptional circumstances for your child to be absent during term time, however permission may not be given, and my decision is final.
- We expect pupils to arrive at school on time. Late arrivals disrupt the education of others. Pupils arriving after the register has closed will be marked in the register as having an unauthorised absence. The school attendance policy states the time that the attendance register closes in the morning: (e.g. 30 minutes after registration);
- We do not expect pupils to come to school when they are sick, but parents of children with regular sickness absence will be expected to provide us with medical evidence before we authorise further absences;
- Avoid medical and dental appointments during school time;
- If you or your child is having difficulties and these impacts on their attendance, please make an appointment with a member of staff to discuss additional support.

We have an expectation that once we have notified a parent about attendance concerns, they will ensure that their child's attendance improves significantly. If a pupil continues to have poor attendance, we will discuss this with our link Education Welfare Officer, and if necessary, make a referral to Brent Education Welfare Service.

The Education Welfare Service may issue a parent with a Formal Warning, an Education Penalty Notice (EPN) or decide to prosecute if a child is persistently absent over a minimum period of 10 weeks. If a parent is issued with an EPN, they risk receiving a fine from Brent Council of £120 if paid within 28 days. This is reduced to £60 if paid within 21 days. Fines for unauthorised term time leave are issued to each parent for each absent child. Failure to pay the notice may result in a parent being prosecuted in court for their child's unauthorised absence. For further information, a copy of our attendance policy is available to read in the school office or you can find the Education Welfare Service's Non-School Attendance, Education Penalty Notices, Local Code of Conduct on Brent Council's website www.brent.gov.uk

Regards

Head teacher



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Black History Month

at

Chalkhill Primary School



In addition to the classwork the children are doing during Black History Month, they were excited to welcome Alim Kamara at Chalkhill Primary School. Alim shared some traditional storytelling with the children, that included the popular and mischievous character Anansi. As well as positive affirmations that the children could take away – do ask your children what ABC stands for. In Year Six, the children learnt about key figures in Black History that included: Henrietta Lacks, whose *Hela Cells* are the foundation of all medical research. Imhotep, the great architect engineer and physician. As well as many other important contributors to world history. Alim's unique style was enjoyed by all at Chalkhill Primary.

Look out for dates for the following upcoming events:

- Cultural dress-up day
- Chalkhill Primary's Black History Month Celebration event



The Crunch – Week 1

This is our Menu for the coming week

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Tomato Fusilli Pasta Bake WHEAT & MILK	Chilli Con Carne CELERY	Sweet Potato & Paneer Curry MILK	Jerk Chicken	Panko Crumbed Fresh Fish of the Day FISH, EGGS & WHEAT
MAIN (OPTION 2)	Green Pesto Pasta WHEAT	Chilli Sin Carne CELERY	Sri Lankan Coconut Daal	Jerk Halloumi MILK	Crispy Fried Vegetable Pakoras
SIDES Where main includes, portion will be offered as optional extra	Wholemeal Bread WHEAT	Tortilla Wraps and Salsas WHEAT	Basmati Rice	Jollof Rice	Skin on Potatoes, Tartare Sauce with Capers & Cornichons & Homemade Ketchup EGGS & SULPHITE
VEGETABLES	Roasted Broccoli Salad Of The Day	Smoked Paprika Sweetcorn Salad Of The Day	Roasted Fine Beans Salad Of The Day	Rainbow Coleslaw SULPHITES	Minted Peas
EXTRAS	Fresh Fruit Available Daily				



Crunch – Week 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Macaroni Cheese WHEAT & MILK	Sweet & Sour Chicken SOY, SULPHITES	Chipotle Chicken	Lasagne Al Forno WHEAT, MILK	Panko Crumbed Fresh Fish of the Day FISH, EGGS & WHEAT
MAIN (OPTION 2)	Tomato, Spinach & Olive Rigatoni WHEAT	Sweet & Sour Tofu SOY, SULPHITES	Mexican Beans SULPHITES	Vegetarian Lasagne WHEAT, MILK	Crispy Fried Vegetable Pakoras
SIDES Where main includes, portion will be offered as optional extra	Wholemeal Bread WHEAT	Jasmine Rice	Tacos, Dips and Chilli Sauce WHEAT, DAIRY	Rosemary Roasted Broccoli	Skin on Potatoes, Tartare Sauce with Capers & Cornichons & Homemade Ketchup EGGS & SULPHITE
VEGETABLES	Honey Roasted Carrots Salad Of The Day	Stir Fried Vegetables Salad Of The Day	Carrot, Coriander & Lime Salad Green Salad	Chickpea, Herb & Lemon Salad	Minted Peas
EXTRAS	Fresh Fruit Available Daily				



Chalkhill Primary School
Term Dates
Academic Year 2025/26

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Staff Inset	Monday 1 st September 2025
School starts for pupils	Tuesday 2 nd September 2025
Last day of term	Friday 24 th October 2025
Half Term	Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October 2025
Staff Inset	Monday 3 rd November 2025
School starts for pupils	Tuesday 4 th November 2025
Last day of term	Thursday 18 th December 2025 – finishing at 1.30pm
Christmas Holidays	Friday 19 th December - Friday 2 nd January 2026

SPRING TERM 2026

School starts for pupils	Monday 5 th January 2026
Last day of term	Friday 13 th February 2026
Half Term	Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February 2026
Staff Inset	Monday 23 rd February 2026
School starts for pupils	Tuesday 24 th February 2026
Last day of term	Friday 27 th March 2026 – finishing at 1.30pm
Easter Holidays	Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April 2026

SUMMER TERM 2026

School starts for pupils	Monday 13 th April 2026
Last day of term	Friday 22 nd May 2026
May Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026
Half Term	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May 2026
School starts for pupils	Monday 1 st June 2026
Last day of term	Friday 17 th July 2026 – finishing at 1.30pm
Staff Inset	Monday 20 th July 2026

*Dates are subject to change.

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