

Chalkhill Primary School Bulletin

Boletín de noticias de La Escuela Primaria de Chalkhill



Friday 9th October 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a momentous week we completed last week. We had the year group 'meet the teacher' Meetings. The outcome was very positive; we really appreciate it when our families sacrifice their time to meet with us.

Friday 16th October at 9.05am is the first-class assembly; 6P parents are cordially invited to attend. The assembly will be taking place in the Ks1 Hall.

Parent Consultations for Reception and Years 1–5 will take place next week.

You will receive an email tomorrow with the days and consultation times available for each year group. Bookings will be available on Arbor from tomorrow evening.

The eligibility criteria for Free School Meals is changing, and all families are required to complete the relevant form below, even if your child already receives Free School Meals and vouchers. It is important that the form is submitted, as failure to complete it could affect your continued eligibility for this support.

If you have not already done so, please click on the link below and complete the form as soon as possible.

<https://fsm.lgfl.net/app/school/874>

Hope you all have a lovely week.

Kind regards
Mr Cloete





Everybody **MUST** register and download the ARBOR app.

All communications will be sent by email ONLY through Arbor.

To register and download the ARBOR app

We advise you to use a desktop or laptop and the internet browser Google for login in for the first time.

Once you have successfully logged on, you can use your phone to download the Arbor app from the App store (Apple) or Google Play (Android).

Please remember you must use same registered email address that you gave to Chalkhill Primary School when you enrolled your child.

All balances MUST now be paid on ARBOR

Thank you.

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Wraparound Breakfast and Afterschool Care

Autumn Term 1

We are pleased to confirm that both Wraparound Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club will continue to operate for the Autumn Term 1.

Food will be provided at both clubs and is included in the cost.

For Wraparound Breakfast Club and Afterschool Wraparound Club please use the **staff car park entrance** for drop-offs and collecting your child.

Wraparound Breakfast Club will run Monday to Friday – from 7:45am – 8:30am

Wraparound Afterschool Club will be available from Monday to Friday from the following times:

3:15pm – 4:15pm: £6.50

3:15pm – 5:15pm: £12.00

All sessions must be booked and paid for in advance on Arbor using the Top Up option on your account.

Please note:

If your child is not booked and payment has not been made in advance, they will not be able to attend the Breakfast Club or Afterschool Club.

Please use the link below for a step-by-step guide on how to sign up for the wraparound clubs:

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/4407797520017-Signing-my-child-up-for-a-Breakfast-or-After-School-Club-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Parent-App>

This guide will walk you through how to book a place on a Breakfast or After-School Club via the Parent Portal or Parent App

Black History Month: Family Activities

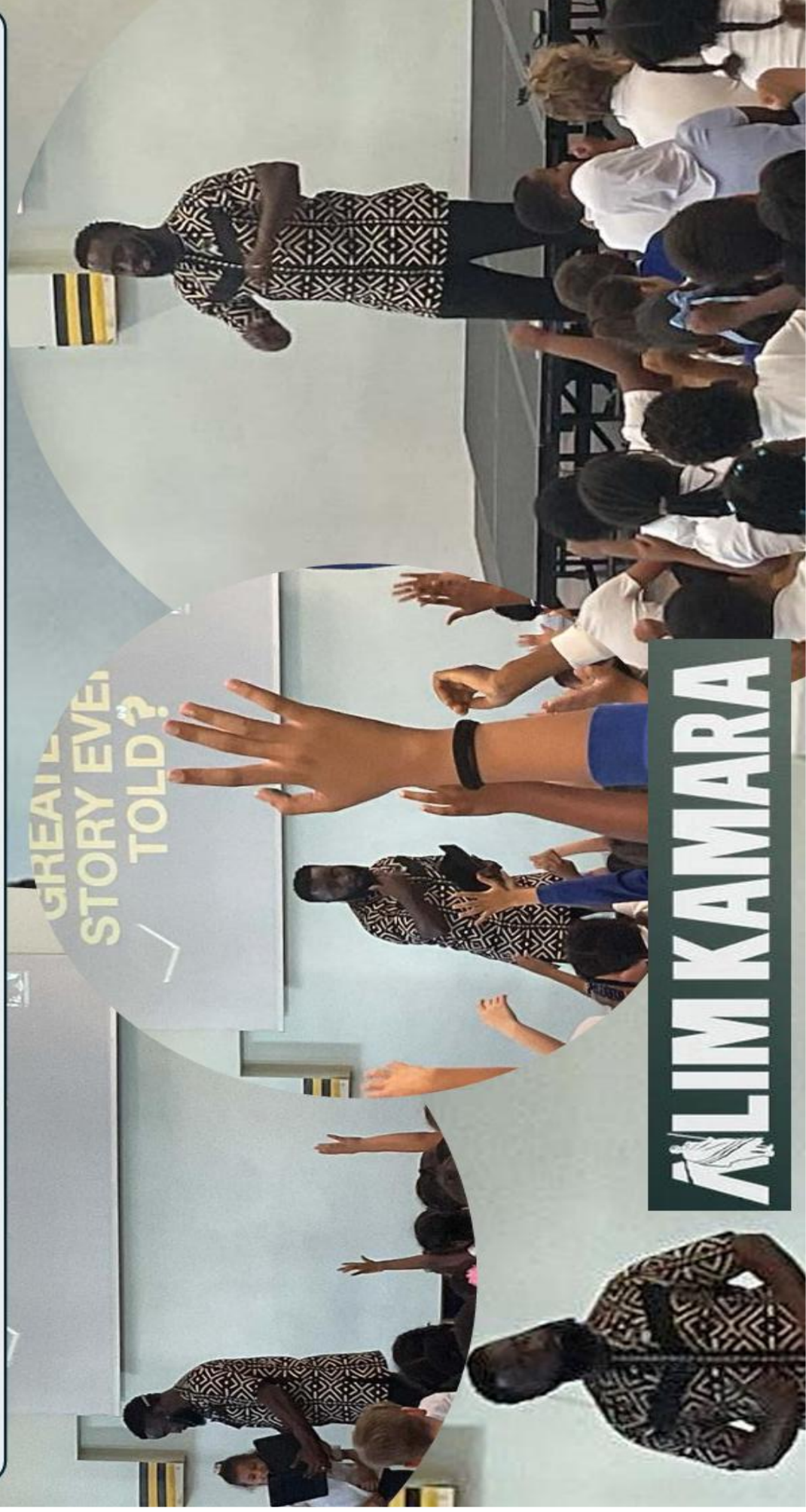
Throughout October, families can take part in a range of Black History Month events across London, including storytelling sessions, cultural festivals, theatre performances, exhibitions, markets and music workshops.

Recommended events include:

-  Black British Book Festival
-  Black Eats Festival
-  Black Culture Market
-  Black British Ballet Family Workshops
-  Steel Pan Music Workshops
-  *Young, Gifted & Black* performances
-  Black History Walking Tours
-  Brent Reggae Album Covers Exhibition

These events offer a great opportunity for children and families to learn more about Black history, culture and achievements together. For more information, visit your local library, museum or the Black History Month UK website.

As part of our Black History Month celebrations Chalkhill Primary School welcomed **Alim Kamara**, an international award-winning storyteller and author who has inspired children and young people across the UK and around the world through his powerful and energetic storytelling. Alim believes that everyone has a voice and that stories can help us build confidence, resilience and courage. He is the author of, *It's Okay to Be Scared*, a story that was inspired by the many children he has worked with who sometimes feel worried about making mistakes, speaking up, or trying something new. Through his storytelling, Alim encourages young people to believe in themselves, overcome their fears and reach their full potential.





- Our Meet the Teacher meetings provided a valuable opportunity for parents and carers to build positive relationships with school staff at the start of the year.
- During these sessions, families met their child's class teacher, members of the Senior Leadership Team, and learned about the curriculum, learning expectations, and key priorities for the year ahead.
- Parents were also updated on important school developments and given guidance on how they can support their child's learning and success at home.





Year 6 have been learning about the Ancient Mayans. In Spanish, they listened to examples of the Mayan language and discovered that it is completely different from Spanish. They explored the reasons for these differences and reflected on how the arrival of the Spanish in Central America led to Spanish gradually replacing many indigenous languages, including Mayan in some regions. To bring their learning to life, the children then created their own Mayan-inspired artefacts, including colourful bracelets, necklaces and crowns.





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Learning Together

Every
child's story
matters!

PLEASE COMPLETE OUR PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO CONSENT FORM

Help us celebrate the amazing things our pupils do!

At Chalkhill, our pupils take part in a wide range of exciting extra-curricular activities, including sports, clubs, trips, performances and special events.

We sometimes share a resume of what our pupils have been doing on our school website, newsletters and X (Twitter) account – and we include photographs and sometimes videos.

To do this, we need to make sure our consent list is up to date.



Your child's privacy and safety are very important to us. We only share images in line with our school policies and keep all information safe and secure.



Capturing
great
memories!



Our activities



Our community



Our achievements

Share ♥ Celebrate ♥ Inspire

Please complete the form here:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/p31LRqdhCj?origin=lprLink>

It only takes a few minutes and insures we have you most up to date preferences.

Thank you
for your
support!



Together we can continue to share and celebrate
our wonderful Chalkhill community!



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Date: 3rd September 2026

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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LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT



The Crunch – Week 1

Menu for 19th October

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Tomato Fusilli Pasta Bake WHEAT & MILK	Chilli Con Carne CELERY	Maris Piper Potato & Paneer Curry MILK	Peri Peri Chicken PAPRIKA	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 COCONUT	Jerk Halloumi MILK	Maccaroni Cheese WHEAT & MILK
SIDES Where main includes, portion will be offered as optional extra	Wholemeal Bread WHEAT	Tortilla Wraps and Salsas WHEAT	Coconut Milk Rice COCONUT	Spicey Veg Rice PAPRIKA	New Potatoes, Tartare Sauce with Capers & Cornichons EGGS & SULPHITE
VEGETABLES	Mix Veg	Smoked Paprika Sweetcorn PAPRIKA	Coleslaw	Roasted Fine Beans SULPHITES	Peas
EXTRAS	Fresh Fruit & Salad Available Daily				Allergies in RED



Crunch – Week 2

Menu for 12th October

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Macaroni Cheese WHEAT & MILK	Curry Chicken PAPRIKA, CHICKPEAS	Chipotle Chicken BEANS & CHICKPEAS	Lasagne Al Forno WHEAT, MILK EGG	Panko Crumbed Fresh Fish of the Day FISH, EGGS & WHEAT
MAIN (OPTION 2)	Tomato Rigatoni WHEAT	Vegetable Sauce PAPRIKA, SULPHITES	Mexican Beans BEANS & CHICKPEAS	Vegetarian Lasagne WHEAT, MILK EGG	Pasta Bake WHEAT & MILK
SIDES Where main includes, portion will be offered as optional extra	Wholemeal Bread WHEAT	Coconut Milk Rice COCONUT	Tacos, Dips and Chilli Sauce PAPRIKA WHEAT, DAIRY	Broccoli	New Potatoes, Tartare Sauce with Capers & Cornichons EGGS & SULPHITE
VEGETABLES	Honey Roasted Carrots	Stir Fried Vegetables	Sweetcorn with Paprika PAPRIKA	Broccoli	Peas
EXTRAS	Fresh Fruit & Salad Available Daily				Allergies in RED



Chalkhill Primary School
Term Dates
Academic Year 2026/2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026	
Staff Inset	Tuesday 1 st September 2026
Staff Inset	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026
School starts for pupils	Thursday 3 rd September 2026
Last day of term	Friday 23 rd October 2026
Half Term	Monday 26 th October - Friday 30 th October 2026
Staff Inset	Monday 2 nd November 2026
School starts for pupils	Tuesday 3 rd November 2026
Last day of term	Friday 18 th December 2026 - finishing at 1.30pm
Christmas Holidays	Monday 21 st December 2026 - Friday 1 st January 2027

SPRING TERM 2027	
School starts for pupils	Monday 4 th January 2027
Last day of term	Friday 12 th February 2027
Half Term	Monday 15 th February - Friday 19 th February 2027
School starts for pupils	Monday 22 nd February 2027
Last day of term	Thursday 25 th March 2027 - finishing at 1.30pm
Easter Holidays	Friday 26 th March - Friday 9 th April 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027	
School starts for pupils	Monday 12 th April 2027
Last day of term	Friday 28 th May 2027
May Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2027
Half Term	Monday 31 st May - Friday 4 th June 2027
School starts for pupils	Monday 7 th June 2027
Last day of term	Monday 19 th July 2027 - finishing at 1.30pm
Staff Inset	Tuesday 20 th July 2027
Staff Inset	Wednesday 21 st July 2027

***Dates are subject to change.**