Chestnut Class Newsletter

Autumn Term 1st half - 2026

Meet your teacher

Hello, my name is Miss Jackson and I have been working at Springmead for three years. I am extremely excited to be teaching in Year 2 again and can't wait to get to know everyone!
I am obsessed with my mum's dog Evie and love to see her each weekend. My favourite animals are otters and I love musical theatre.

Useful Links

Numbots Game
https://play.numbots.com/#/intro
Phonics Play
https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

Optional Homework Activities

Find out some fun facts about animals and living things.
Look at different animal life cycles, which is the most interesting one
Can you discover what we need to survive?

P.E. Days

Mondays and Wednesdays

Homework

Handed out on a Friday, due the following Thursday.
Read 10 minutes a day.

Important Dates

Term begins -
Thursday 3rd September 2026

Parent Teacher Consultations week commencing 19th October

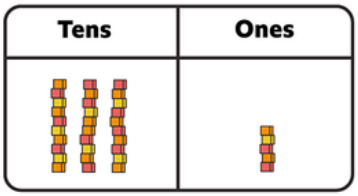
Wellbeing

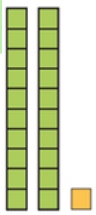
Did you know 6 -7 year old children need 9-12 hours of sleep?
A regular bedtime routine and plenty of sleep are essential for helping children concentrate, learn, and enjoy their day at school, giving them the best opportunity to be happy, successful learners

This half term Chestnut *class* are learning about...

English - In our talk4writing unit we will be writing a journey tale based upon the book 'Augustus and his smile'. we will be focusing on describing a setting.

Maths - We will be learning about place value of numbers from 1 to 100. We will be splitting them using tens and ones.





Art - we will be researching the artist Nick Park, our end piece will be creating our own inspired sculptures.

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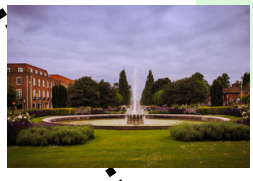
History - Why is the history of my locality significant? We will be exploring the history and creation of Welwyn Garden City



Life skills - we will be celebrating ourselves in the topic 'Being me in my world'. This we where we will focus on rights and responsibilities as well as learning about rewards and consequences.

P.E - we will be learning about ball skills where we will concentrate on dribbling a ball, throwing and catching as well as balancing.

Science - This will be a very exciting topic as we will be learning about living things in their habitats. We will be exploring what habitats and minibeasts we find around the school.