

# Chirpy Chinnock

## News from West Chinnock

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Welcome to the first edition of the Chirpy Chinnock for 2023. The articles are written by the pupils of West Chinnock School; we love to share what we have been doing in school.

### **Carbon Cut**

West Chinnock Primary School are putting up posters on stopping pollution and the carbon we put in the air. They want to protect our beautiful plants, planets and other species, in which we need to keep safe. There was an assembly about cutting out the carbon in our daily lives and how we can help the planet for a week. We learnt about what to reuse, recycle and renew certain items and materials. We all love our planet and need to keep it from getting worse.

**By Emma**

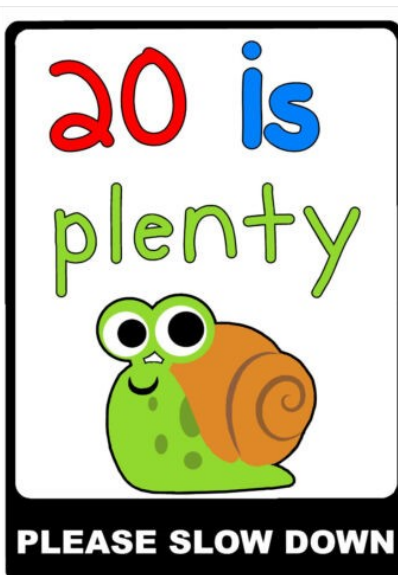


#CutYourCarbon

### **Road Safety**

Road safety is very important for everyone. Especially when you are crossing the road because there could be cars driving on the road. There are four crossings that you might have seen before. Zebra crossings, Pelican crossings, Toucan crossing and Puffin crossing are all the various types of crossings that you may have used. You also need to be safe on a bike because you are on the road so you need to beware of traffic. Another fact that we learned, was that it is safer to wear a helmet when riding a bike, because if you do fall off and bump your head, without a helmet there would be more severe injuries to the head. When you are walking your dog, or at night, you need to let the traffic see you from far away. To do this you can wear a high-viz jacket to make you be seen in the dark.

**By Calum**



This term we have been learning about the School Value **'Aspiration'** and the British Value **'Tolerance'**. Here is what they mean for us:

### British Values

Democracy, Rule of Law, Respect, Liberty, Aspiration and Tolerance. We are currently talking about British Values and what we can do to represent them. Democracy in school is where we can have a fair vote and to make sure that it is fair for everyone. We must accept the Rule of Law and carry it out during our lives. Through the provision of a safe, supportive environment and empowered education, we have boundaries in place that allow children to make choices safely. Aspiration means to us that we keep on trying to complete our work and that we don't give up. Tolerance plays an important role in promoting social equality at school. In addition to showing pupils how to interact with others, it also teaches them how to learn from people who are different from themselves.

### Quotes from pupils about Aspiration and Tolerance:

I am aiming to get better at swimming.

**Jacob**

We are aiming to get better at reading.

**Evie, Joshua, Joseph**

Tolerance is being kind and respecting of people from different countries or maybe a different religion or colour of their skin. There are different festivals which are special. If they fall over, we will help them up

**Ruby, Ashton and Owen**

We are aiming to get better at playing games.

**Edward and Charlie**

I want to get better at English so I can describe things.

**Jack**

Aspiration is aiming high and keep going and never stop. I want to get better at timesing and dividing.

**Jacob N**

### Nature Club

This half-term in Nature Club, we have been looking at birds. We have learnt that we have to be quiet so we can see the birds, as if we are loud and noisy, then we just scare them and they fly off. We have seen lots of starlings, pigeons, seagulls and blackbirds. We also talked about the different garden birds.

Did you know that swifts only visit our country in the summer?

### Madison



## **School Council**

There are 4 members to our School Council, including Ellis, Harley, Darcey and Tamara. We talk about what we can do to help the school and how we can improve it. We normally have the meetings in Class 2 but sometimes we use the library. We meet every Wednesday during lunchtime, and we are part of the school council because we want to be role models to the younger pupils in the school. In our meetings we talk to Mrs Parkinson, who guides us in the right direction for to help us make the school better.



**By Tamara, Ellis and Darcey**



## **TT Rockstars**

At West Chinnock Primary School we do something called Times Table Rockstars which help us with our times tables. This week we are competing in the Battle of the Bands where we have to try and get as many points for our school as possible. The Battle of the Bands is hard but it's West Chinnocks second time competing in it this year. On TT Rockstars, there are many different sections to complete your timestables, including: Rockslam, Jamming, Gig, Challenge Classmates or even racing the world!

**By William**

## **Cross Country**

In cross country, it has been hard work and has been fun to compete against other schools and fellow peers from school. We have been to Yeovil Rugby Club, Bucklers Mead Academy, Yeovil Showground, Yeovil Town FC.

The races include: Year 2/3 Girls, Year 2/3 Boys, Year 4 Girls, Year 4 Boys, Year 5/6 Girls, Year 5/6 Boys.

Our Year 2/3 girls team are currently first place in the league!

The next race is 1st March at Bucklers Mead.

**By Florence**



## After school clubs

### Art Club

Art and Craft Club is run by Mrs Jaggard and Ms Lefeuvre on Monday afternoons. This term we have welcomed both KS1 and KS2 children. We have explored different media including pencil, pen, watercolour and clay. We asked some of our younger artists why they do art club and what has been their favourite activity so far.

#### **Why do you like Art club?**

**Millie and Jacob:** 'I like to do painting.'

Owen: 'I like clay.'

**Molly:** 'I love art club because crafting is my favourite thing to do.'

**Jack:** 'I really wanted to do it, I really like art.'



#### **What has been your favourite activity so far?**

**Millie:** 'I loved painting a monster with watercolours and we tried to make pink.'

**Jacob:** 'My favourite activity was painting an Autumn tree with my fingers.'

**Owen:** 'My favourite was making a snowman, no a clay man!' (clay week)

**Molly:** 'When we made a London postcard. We used water paints, mix them together for the sky then we cut out black paper for the London landmarks.'

**Daisy:** 'I liked making something with clay. I made an ice cream.'

**Jack:** 'My favourite was 3D modelling with clay. I made a snowman.'

**Norah:** 'My favourite activity was making a poster.' (cut carbon week)

