

Chadsgrove

February Half Term



Newsletter

Headteacher's Message

The pupils of 15US organised a 'wear purple day' to raise money for Birmingham's Children's Hospital on Friday 20th January and raised £160, a big well done to them! We also held a quiz on Friday 3rd February to raise money for 'Smiles' which is an organisation supporting the building of a school in Romania for children with Special Educational Needs. We raised £800 for the school building which is fabulous! Thank you for your support with these events.

Our new classrooms are now in full operation and the feedback from staff and pupils is excellent so it was well worth the wait! We will hold a formal opening later in the year. The external work is also complete so we are looking forward to Springtime and seeing the grounds come to life!

We welcome back Becky Sabel from maternity leave this half term, we have all missed Becky so it's great to have her back! We also appointed a new teacher this term, Ashley Newman, who will start with us from September 2017. We have 3 new pupils in nursery, Evie, Elsie and Amira, all have settled really well and are enjoying coming to school.

We are still trying hard to raise money for our 19-25 provision and would welcome any help or expertise to support us with this. Please let myself or Liz Morgan know if you feel you can help. We need to raise further funding to grow this provision.

I hope you all enjoy the half term holiday and we shall look forward to welcoming the pupils back on Tuesday 28th February.

Deb Rattley

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2LS Celebrate Chinese New Year

2LS celebrated Chinese New Year with a Dragon dance all round school, lots of Chinese tastes and made Chinese lanterns. They enjoyed the sensory experience of the big dragon and a fireworks display in the Multi-Sensory room.



5LS Learning about Chinese Traditions

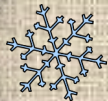
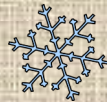
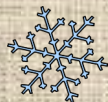
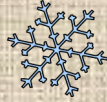
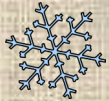


5LS have been learning about Chinese New Year traditions. We enjoyed trying Chinese food and dressing up in Chinese clothing. We also practised writing Chinese letters.

7LS Ice Skating

7LS had a fantastic time when they went ice skating at Solihull Ice Rink this half term.

Their Sensory Story has also been about going ice skating; they have been experiencing cold ice and snow, choosing what clothes they would need to wear and even tasting some lovely hot chocolate when the skating was all over!

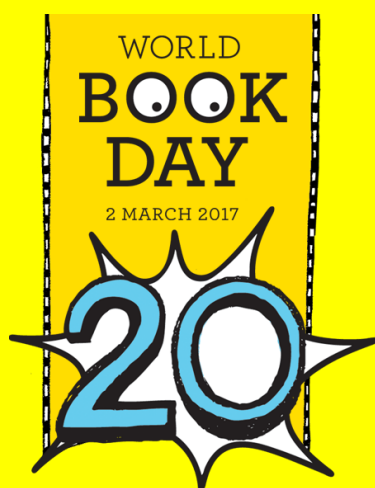


9US Have a Mad Hatters Tea Party



This term 9US' topic has been Alice in Wonderland. To link all the work they have done this half term they held a Mad Hatters Tea Party. This was also a joint celebration to say thank you to Josh and Rachael for taking the Class; and a thank you to the staff and pupils of 9US for being so patient, understanding and for just helping Josh and Rachael settle in. (keeping them from turning into mad hatters)



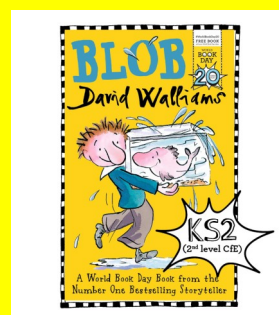
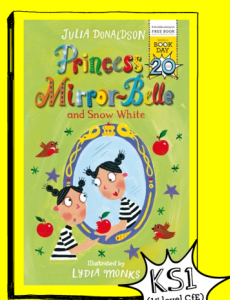
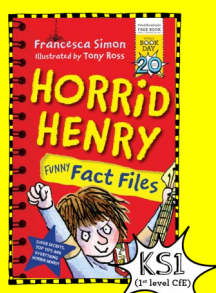
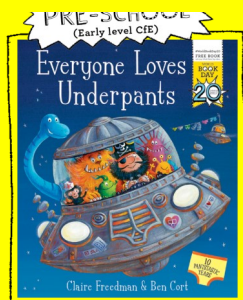
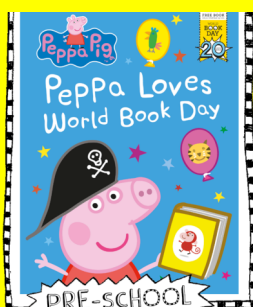


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A FREE £1 BOOK TOKEN.**

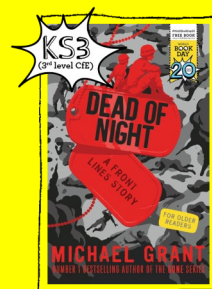
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BUY ONE OF THE 10 SPECIAL £1
WORLD BOOK DAY BOOKS.**

**OR THEY CAN BE USED TO GET £1
OFF THE PRICE OF ANY OTHER FULL-PRICE BOOK
AT ANY PARTICIPATING BOOKSTORE.**

**THE TOKENS ARE VALID
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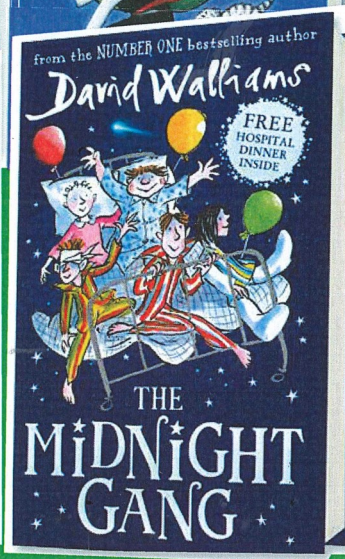
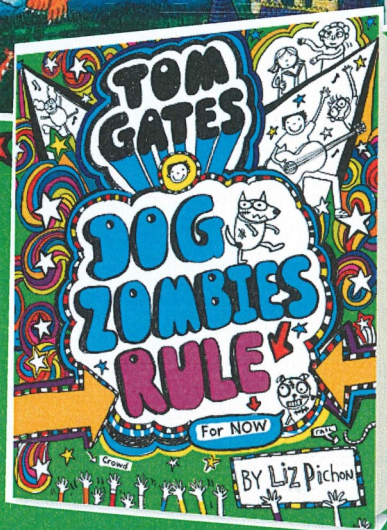
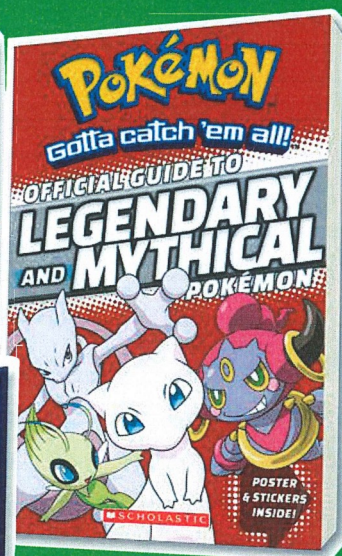
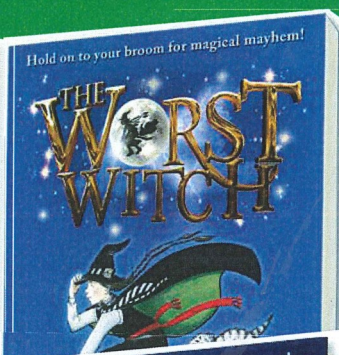
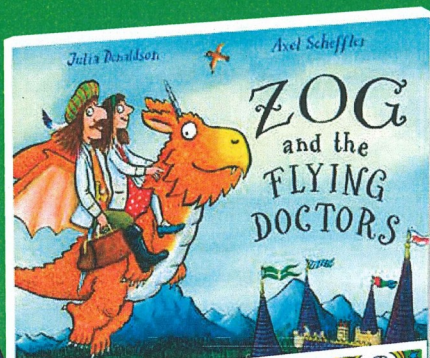
**WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THIS DAY A 'DRESSING UP' DAY TO ENCOURAGE
PUPILS TO DRESS UP AS THEIR FAVOURITE CHARACTER FROM A BOOK.**

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**Our Book Fair is open from:
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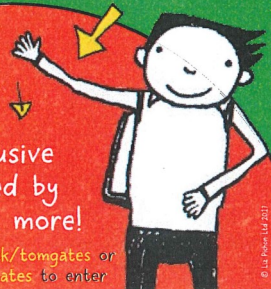
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11US Visited the Locksmith's house in Willenhall

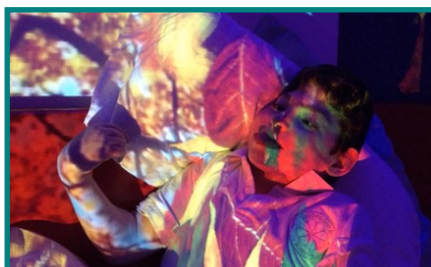
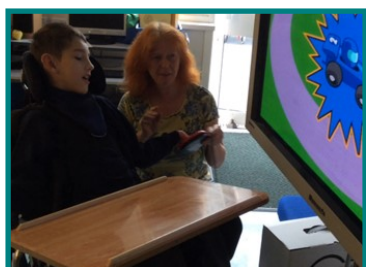
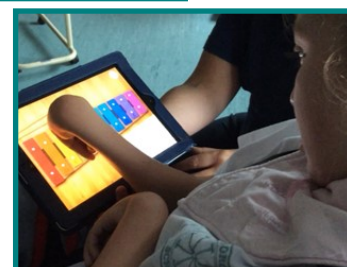
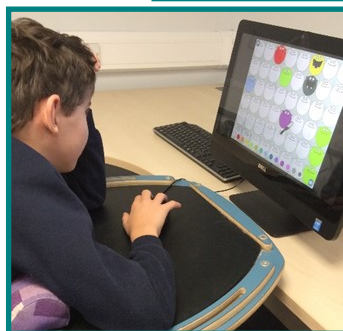
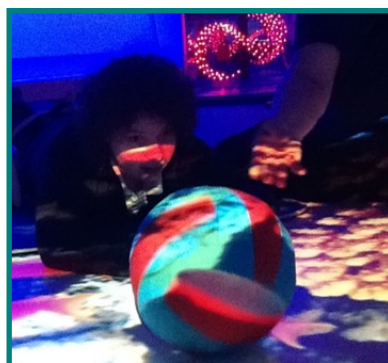
This is a Victorian house that was owned by the Hodson family who made locks. Kobie is learning how they were made with this large scale model but there were other jobs to be done too!

Billy is in the scullery working hard at doing the washing with a 'dolly maid', while Will learns to make a rag rug. Nathan is luckier, he's enjoying toast cooked with a toasting fork on an open fire.



10US Working with Technology

Pupils in 10US have been working hard using a wide range of technology devices. Pupils and staff have enjoyed opportunities to explore ways to interact with this new equipment and make the best use of some of our newest equipment in the sensory rooms purchased from Sensory Guru. The Magic Carpet is an interactive floor projector which responds to movement within the field of the projected images. The Magic Mirror is a combination of mirrors and sound beams which respond to specific movements to locate target spots to produce sounds and image changes. Pupils have continued working hard developing their skill levels on the iPad and computers.



13US Busy Visiting Post 19 Providers

13US have been visiting a variety of different post 19 providers. We've been to Freetime in Halesowen, Your Choice in Dudley and Where Next in Studley. Soon were off to Herewood College, Derwen College, The Glasshouse College, Reach, National Star College and HOW College.



Where Next? Sernal Ash Nurseries.



Where Next? Staffroom.



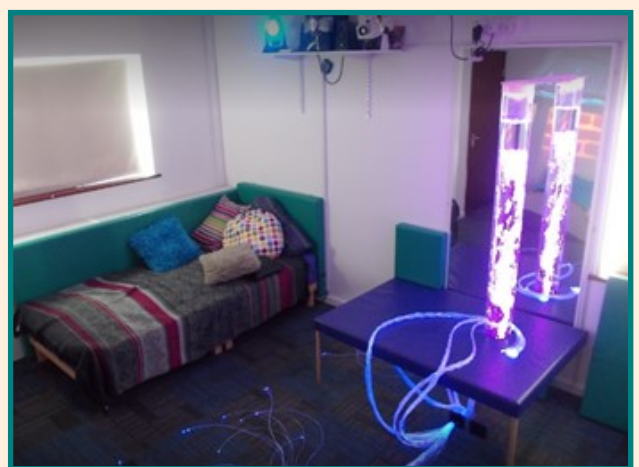
Bowling with Your Choice



Socialising with service users at Your Choice



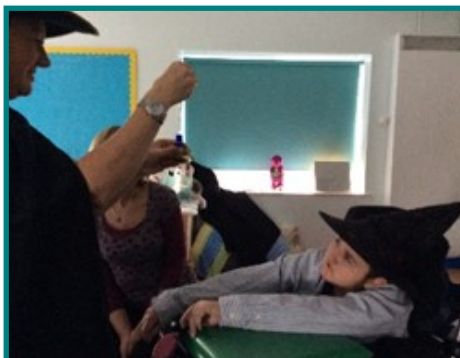
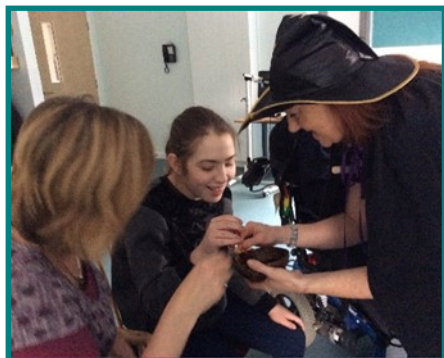
Freetime Base at Halesowen



Freetime Chill Out room

Witches and Wizards in 14US

14US have been working hard to become members of Chadsgrove's Academy for Witches and Wizards! We have awoken our wizardry senses, made magical smelly spells and created our own special soup potion. All pupils are well on their way to becoming the next Harry Potter or Hermione Granger!



Our Wizards also had a magical time at The Hippodrome Theatre in Birmingham where they watched the relaxed performance of Dick Whittington. Everyone had a positive experience and enjoyed a special day out with their friends.



FRIDAY 3rd MARCH 2017

6.00 PM

SOUTH BROMSGROVE



CHADSGROVE

A SHORT CONCERT

at SOUTH BROMSGROVE HIGH SCHOOL
SHOWCASING MUSICAL TALENT

TICKETS ON THE DOOR @ £3.00

Raising Christmas Spirits



The Staff Choir sang carols in Bromsgrove's town centre just before the holidays, raising money for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham. Alisha Jeffcoat and her mum were there to cheer us on and the £76.86 collected from generous passers-by was donated to the hospital's Critical Care Area A; a place that is very dear to the Jeffcoats' hearts. Thank you to those who supported us – staff, families, friends and Christmas shoppers!



Young Voices 2017

Chadsgrove Choir members enjoyed an exciting day last week at the Genting Area, NEC, joining a choir of 6,500 young people! We had a great spot near the stage, and therefore an excellent view of the additional entertainment that included Natalie Williams, Tabby Callaghan, The Beatbox Collective and the street dance group Urban Strides. The sound of so many voices singing together (and cheering !) was quite overwhelming! We will be performing the Pop Medley we learned for this event at the Link Concert at South Bromsgrove High School on Friday 3rd March 2017 – see page 8 for full details.



Buskers' Nursing Home Performance



At the very end of last term Chadsgrove's Buskers, who had met weekly in Options on a Friday afternoon to rehearse, confidently performed their chosen songs at Meadows Nursing Home in Bromsgrove. They really did the school proud, and their fantastic efforts were well received by all at the home. We encouraged the residents to join in with singing and the ringing of Christmas bells! Well done to Nathan C, Eleanor W, James W, James S and Sameer!

Post 16 Take a Trip to the Theatre



Everyone enjoyed a 3D experience for an undersea adventure of Octopus and Sharks.

Post 16 enjoyed a trip to the theatre where they laughed out loud at the Dick Whittington pantomime. Stars included John Barrowman and the Krankies and Steve McFadden as the baddie.... boooooooo

Bookbuzz

‘Bookbuzz’ 2016-17

Bookbuzz

Chadsgrove School has participated in the ‘Bookbuzz’ programme once again this year.

‘Bookbuzz’ is a reading programme from ‘Booktrust’ which supports schools to encourage reading for pleasure, independent choice and develop a whole school reading culture.

As part of this programme, 35 selected pupils (from Years 7 and above) have had the opportunity to choose their own book to keep from a list of 17 titles suitable for 11-year-olds* and selected by a panel of experts. (*Including a range of titles selected for Special Schools.)

Pupils will be receiving their books to take home in the next week.

Mr. G Brown





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Worcester SplashStart

Event: A fun swim session for children and adults with cerebral palsy or a physical disability and their families. Advisors will be on hand to run games, offer tips and support. You can also find out about other local swimming opportunities.

Venue: Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Bilford Road, Worcester, WR3 8DX

Date/time: Wednesday 29th March 6-8pm

Who can attend: Children and adults with cerebral palsy or other physical disabilities* and their family members *Each attendee must be accompanied by an adult.

Price: Free

Booking: Booking required. Closing date Tuesday 28th March 2017

Booking and further information:
Contact: Sarah Livesey – 0115 925 7027
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Dates for your Diary 2017

Friday 17th February	School Closes for students 3.30pm
Monday 27th February	INSET Day School closed for students
Tuesday 28th February	School Opens for students 9.00am
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day
Monday 20th March to Friday 24th March	Book Week & Scholastic Book Fair
Friday 24th March	Red Nose Day
Thursday 6th April	Achievement Assembly
Friday 7th April	Chadsgrove's Got Talent
Friday 7th April	School Closes for students 3.30pm
Monday 10th April to Wednesday 12th April	Easter Playscheme
Monday 24th April	School Opens for students 9.00am

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