



Dear Parents

The theme for today's assembly was *memories*. I explained that we can have different types of memories, happy, scary, sad or exciting and these can be, for example, about a school trip, holidays, days out and people we've spent time with. It is good to remember things that have happened. As we get older, memories become more and more special. I shared two special memories I have from when I was a child: I remember making biscuits with my grandma and playing on the swings with my brother in our garden.

I showed the girls a picture of twenty items. I asked them to look at the items for one minute and try to memorise them. I then hid the image and asked the girls to tell me all of the items in the picture. I was very impressed with the Reception and Y6 girls in Fairseat Hall as they remembered all of the objects.



Sometimes, we forget things that have happened in the past, but then something or someone jogs our memory and reminds us of it. We thought about how often when we visit somewhere, we bring back a souvenir. It can be good to have an object that reminds us of a particular place or happy event. I showed the girls one of my favourite memorable objects: a flamingo ornament from the Caribbean. Six years ago, I went on holiday with my parents and brother. It was the first holiday we had all

been together as a family for many years. We went on this holiday before my parents moved to Cyprus so we could spend quality time together. The reason I bought the flamingo is because they were flamingoes in the grounds of our hotel and flamingoes hold a happy memory for me.



We then watched a short film clip, '[The day I'll always remember](#)' about Mr George who, along with many others, experienced life in wartime and showed great bravery and resourcefulness. Despite the difficult things that he and others have experienced, they can still be positive and cheerful. Some people, however, find it difficult to adjust to everyday life because of their experiences. The days we remember can affect each of us in different ways.

This led onto talking about **Remembrance Day** on **11 November** when we often see people wearing poppies. Poppies help us to *remember* those who have died, sacrificing their lives to ensure that we remain a free and peaceful country. We *remember* those who have fought and have given their lives for us and our future.

This Wednesday, 11 November at 11am, I will lead a virtual assembly and we will have a two minutes silence to remember and give thanks for all those who have given their lives in the First World War and in all subsequent conflicts.



We are unable to sell poppies from the School Office this year as we are avoiding cash donations, so please donate online: [Royal British Legion](#). You will be able to download a Remembrance Poppy for your daughter(s) to colour in and display at home.

Why not play these fun memory memory games with your daughter(s)?

- [Interesting Memory Games For Children](#)
- [Memory Games](#)

Staff News

Very sadly, Theresa Johnson, a dedicated and loyal member of our brilliant Catering Team, who joined the School in September 2016, passed away on Friday. She had been suffering from cancer and was very unwell over the summer, so was not able to return to school at the beginning of term. Our thoughts are with her family and friends. May she rest in peace.



Y5 Meet the Headmistress and Q&A

On Wednesday 18 November we will stream a live session at 5.30pm where Mrs Hughes, our new Headmistress, will introduce herself to you and talk about her vision for the school. This will be followed by a Q&A where she and I will be available to answer any questions. On the day, you will be able to click on the link to watch the prerecorded films, read the information and find the link for the live Q&A: [Y5 Virtual Open Event](#).

Individual Photos

Thank you for all your positive response to the new individual school photos. We are delighted that you like the new style photos. Please note, the photos will be archived from the site on 19 December, so if you have not already done so, please log in using the codes provided before half term.



Covid19 Reminders

Please note the two reminders, which come as lessons learned from managing the first positive Covid-19 test for a Visiting Music Teacher which occurred before half term. Firstly, if your daughter tests positive, please contact the school straight away:

- During weekdays from 7am - 4pm, please email Ms Kilic, our School Secretary: JSOffice@channing.co.uk.
- From 4pm - 6pm, please email Miss Bodell: jsreceptionist@channing.co.uk.
- During the weekend or the holidays, please email: JSOffice@channing.co.uk as the account is monitored regularly.

Please don't contact other parents until we have had a chance to speak with you and with Public Health England about our next steps.

Secondly, please be aware that we will sometimes call you from unfamiliar mobile phone numbers in the evenings, at weekends or in the holidays. We understand why you may not answer a call from an unrecognised number. We will try you again and follow up with an email.

Clubs and Wrap Around Care

We are delighted that we can continue to offer before and after school clubs, as well as our wrap around care. This is in line with the new government guidance as they are already Covid-safe and we appreciate that you will have planned work commitments and routines around them.

Important Sporting Update

Unfortunately, we are currently unable to use Waterlow Park for Cross Country. This will impact the following Cross Country Clubs:

- Tuesday 8am - Year 5
- Thursday 8am - Year 6
- Thursday 3:30pm - Year 4

If your daughter attends Year 5 and 6 Cross Country Club and would still like to attend an alternative Fitness Club, please ensure that she is in the new Fairseat Hall by 7:55am on her club day. A member of the PE team

will pick her up. For the Year 4 girls, Cross Country Club will slightly alter, meaning they will no longer be running in Waterlow Park and their activity will be more fitness based.

Mini Owls - Changes apply to all Year Groups

Due to the increasing number of girls utilising this provision and in order to remain Covid-secure, we have had to make some changes to Mini Owls. Girls who are not collected at their usual dismissal times will attend Mini Owls. Parents will only be able to collect their daughters from Mini Owls at 3.50pm (3.30pm on a Friday) at the usual small gate, unless they are attending Late Owls. There will be no charge for girls who are waiting for their sister(s).



Late Owls (After School)

Late Owls will continue as before where the girls can be picked up either before 4.30pm (3.30pm on Fridays) or after from 5.30pm (4.30pm on Fridays). Normal charges apply. You will need to collect your daughter from the 'old' dining room in the Stable Block.



Please remember if you wish your daughter to attend you must sign up in advance by completing this form: [Birds & Owls Sign up](#).

Virtual School



A reminder that individual pupils, who are self-isolating or in quarantine, should utilise a menu of activities available on their class 'Virtual School' page on Firefly whilst they await Virtual School resources to be set by the Form teacher (initiating the day after school notification). When isolating, pupils are asked to complete work tasks using our Virtual Learning Platforms (Firefly and Seesaw or Google Classroom) as directed by their Form teacher. Pupils will receive virtual feedback from their Form teacher.

'Pastoral Live' interaction with school:

Mondays: 8:45 - 9:15am Assembly via a Google Meet

Tuesdays: 8:45 - 9:15am Form Time via a Google Meet

Wednesdays - Fridays: 8am pastoral discussion with teaching assistants (for pupils in Reception - Year 2 classes) and Specialist teachers (for pupils in KS2) via a Google Meet to talk through the daily work tasks shared with the pupil/s on their 'Daily Work for Virtual School' Firefly page/s.

'Academic Live' interaction with school: Pupils will be invited to join one core subject (Mathematics, English or Science) live lesson, using Google Meet, daily, according to the class timetable. Attendance is not compulsory. The link to this live lesson will be provided on the pupil's 'Daily Work for Virtual School' Firefly page, available from 8am each day.

In order to support girls at home that are self-isolating, some live times will be streamed to them from school. This is to ensure that they get support both academically and pastorally. Please rest assured that live times will not be recorded.

Please click [here](#) to read the Junior School 'Virtual School' policy on the school website.

Virtual Parents' Evenings

We look forward to seeing many of you on Thursday 26 November and Thursday 3 December for our Autumn Term Virtual Parents' Evenings. On next week's Bulletin, you will be directed to secure your Parents' Evening appointments with Form and Specialist teachers via SchoolBase. Instructions will also be shared to help you to do this.

Due to amendments to external professional development dates, Miss Baker, Mrs Jarman and Miss Bolton are unable to take appointments on Thursday 26 November. As an alternative, parents wishing to book appointments with Miss Baker, Mrs Jarman and Miss Bolton can do so on Wednesday 2nd December as well as Thursday 3 December.

The girls are very lucky to have many Specialist teachers. This term, they will be available for five minute appointments on a first come first served basis for the following year groups/ classes:

- Kate Rattenbury (Reception - Y2 Music)
- Marisa Pepper (Y3 - 6 Music)
- Rob Fellows (Y3 - 6 Art & DT)
- Anne-Marie Conway (Reception - Y6 Drama)
- Elaine Glennon (Reception - Y6 Spanish)
- Lucy Williams (Y3 - 6 Geography)
- Jenny Jarman (Reception S, 1M, 2E, 3C, 4N, 5S, 6E PE)
- Caroline Bolton (Reception B, 1P, 2M, 3F, 4R, 5M, 6W PE)
- Caroline Jupp (Reception - Y6 Library)

Late Owls will continue to run as normal. However, due to Parents' Evenings, we will not be running any before or after school clubs on 26 November and Thursday 3 December.

Eco Tip

Every week, a member of the Sustainability Team will be recommending an Eco Tip to help the girls and their families be more sustainable.

Eco Tip #1 Once your Lamy eraser has run out, take it off and flip it around to use the other side. Remember, we only use ink erasers on work for display, not in our workbooks. From **Kitty W (6E)**



November Numeracy Challenge

Next Monday, the Year 3 - 6 girls will participate in the Mathletics November Numeracy Challenge. This is a UK, Europe, Middle East and Asia Maths Challenge focused on pupils mastering curriculum activities and practising their mental maths skills. Certificates of participation and achievement will be awarded to pupils in Year 3 - 6, who complete assigned activities, or play 'live Mathletics' between 16 - 22 November to earn points. The girls will be awarded ten points per correct answer within curriculum activities, twenty points per correct answer within a Topic Test, one point per correct answer on any 'live Mathletics' game and two points per correct answers on their bonus level (indicated by a gold star next to the level number). This week, please encourage your daughter(s) in Years 3 - 6 to log into their Mathletics accounts to practice logging on and playing assigned games in preparation for next week, when every point counts.



Seasonal Cards



Thank you to everyone who submitted their artwork for the seasonal cards this year. You should have received a code from your Class Rep to order the products: [Order Seasonal Cards](#). Please get in touch with your Class Rep if you have not received the instructions.

For those of you who want to submit your daughter's artwork and have missed the school's deadline, you can do so until Thursday 12 November. Please get in touch with your Class Rep if you would like to submit a seasonal card design to be converted into cards, gift tags, mugs, wrapping paper and even water bottles.

Due to the change in the art company's process, this year they will only scan the artwork for the designs for which orders are placed. Please note the order deadline: Friday 13 November. Any orders placed online after this date will be classified as a late order and a fee will apply; the CA won't benefit from the fundraising. Why not use this opportunity to send unique and personalised gifts to your loved ones and add to their holiday cheer.



Channing Association (CA) Channing Puddings

The Channing Pudding shop has now opened. This will be our fourth year and the CA are very grateful for the support and regular custom from Channing families. They have introduced two new flavours this year: Luxury 'Sticky Ginger Sponge Pudding' and 'Chocolate & Stem Ginger Christmas Pudding', along with the usual firm favourites.

This year ALL profits will go directly to the The Ringcross Community Centre Food Bank which is a collaboration between the Pilion Trust and the Alexandra Wylie Tower Foundation. Alexandra was a Channing girl who sadly passed away whilst studying for her A Levels. Before the first lockdown, up to fifteen families a day used the food bank. Every week since March, the number of people in crisis coming to the food bank has risen and now there can be as many as ninety families a day reaching out for assistance. People who have never joined a food bank queue before are now finding they are unable to support their families. Sadly this situation is likely to worsen over the coming months. Every single Channing Pudding you buy will enable the CA to directly donate food to families who would otherwise go hungry.



To order your puddings, which will be delivered to your daughters at school during the week commencing 7 December, please visit the online shop: [Channing Puddings](#).



#MusicMatters

Thank you for your perseverance whilst we grapple with all our new protocols. I am aware that some of your daughters in KS2 only may have been experiencing difficulties accessing their individual lesson notes from their music lessons and other information via their Google classroom. If you are facing challenges, please email Ms Marcu at juniormusic@channing.co.uk who will be able to help.

Euston Foodbank

We are continuing to collect donations for Euston Foodbank.

Thank you in advance for your donations:

- **November & December:** Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6
- **January:** Year 3
- **February & March:** Year 2
- **April & May:** Year 1
- **June & July:** Reception



Local Charity



Sadly there are many people, only a few miles from our doorsteps who are suffering great hardship during the Covid-19 crisis. The pressure on foodbanks is increasing weekly and community organisations are overwhelmed with requests for help.

Two Channing parents, Mrs Claire Norton (Highgate N6 MA) and Cllr Liz Morris (Highgate ward/Haringey) are helping to support the incredible work of these local organisations and have partnered with Haringey Giving, an independent local organisation set up to support local community projects across the borough, by setting up a dedicated Highgate fundraiser to get funding to where it is needed most.

Haringey Giving is supporting 23 local community projects across the borough, from those that support the most vulnerable elderly refugees, to those that provide counselling to young adults, to supporting food banks. However, more funds are urgently needed as the pandemic continues to seriously impact the lives of those hardest hit by this crisis.

They are asking if they are able to help your neighbours by either setting up a regular donation or by making a one off donation. To find out more about the projects and to donate:

<https://www.haringeygiving.org.uk/highgate-gives>

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to **Elene K (5M)** for achieving Grade I Merit in Music Theory.

Well done to **Etta J (2E)** who along with her big sister helped pack 25 backpacks for the charity, Hand on Heart that is helping homeless people this Winter. They include various pieces of thermal clothing, hygiene products and snacks.



Digital Leaders

We are excited to announce our new Digital Leaders: **Emily G (6E), Zaina D (6W), Lexie N (6E)** and **Isabella C (6W)**. Their first challenge will be to trail the Lego Spike before looking at ways for us all to reduce our screen time and continue to use our technology safely. It's going to be another busy but exciting year!

Sports Leaders

Congratulations to **Isha (6W), Gaby (6E), Sophie (6W)** and **Erin (6W)** who due to their outstanding effort in PE last term have been given this opportunity.

Sustainability Team

We are delighted that we have appointed the new Sustainability Officers:

Officer	Class	Officer	Class
Elise F	1M	Sofia M	1P
Eleen S	2E	Minty	2M
Eva B	3C	Sophiya V	3F
Silvia O-M	4N	Daisy W	4R
Chloe S (existing) Anna A (new)	5M	Hero K (existing) Violet L (new)	5S
Kitty W	6E	Serana B	6W

**NATIONAL
POETRY
DAY 2020**

See It Like a Poet

National Poetry Day Competition Winners

Well done to all of the girls who entered our competition. The judge, Ms Ramsden, our Senior School Librarian, was really impressed by all the creative responses to our competition challenge including poetry performances, new poems on the theme of 'vision' and beautiful artworks inspired by Christina Rossetti's poem *Pink*. The winning entries can be viewed on the Library Firefly page: [Login - Channing Junior](#)

Upper KS2 Poetry Writing	
Winners	Runners up
Estelle Z (5S) Avishag T (6W)	Serrana B (6W) Matilda (5S)
Upper KS2 Poetry Performance	
Winners	Runners up
Gaby P, Emma F & Coco C (6E) (Group performance)	Eliana P (5S) Ava T & Emily G (6E) (Group performance) Aurora V (5S)

	Avishag T (6W)
Lower KS2 Written	
Winners	Runners up
Amina A (3F)	Maheen H (4N) Jemima C (3C) Ramun N (4N)
Lower KS2 Performance	
Winners	Runners up
Georgia (3F)	Arina V (3C) Saumya S (4R)
Reception & KSI Written Poetry	
Winner	
Safira K (1M)	
Reception and KSI - Art inspired by Poetry	
Winners	Runners up
Katherine V-W (1M)	Ayra M (1M) Aliana D (2M) Eva L (2E) Ariana D (RS)

Girls Enjoying Success Awards

Well done to:

- **Isabella M (RB)** for reading everyday in the half term and learning how to blend independently.
- **Riley K (RB)** for persevering at junk modelling in order to build a fantastic rocket.
- **Ariana D (RS)** for good listening and behaviour, trying hard and being kind and helpful.
- **Arianna B-P (RS)** for good writing and sounding out her own sentences.
- **Eleanor S (RS)** for good writing and sounding out her own sentences.
- **Eisha P (RS)** for good writing and sounding out her own sentences.
- **Mia M (RS)** for making good progress in reading.
- **Sienna T (RS)** for good listening and behaviour, trying hard and being kind and helpful.
- **Emilia B (1M)** for writing an interesting and creative holiday recount.
- **Leila I (1M)** for working very hard on her literacy and writing a wonderful holiday recount.
- **Lucy H (1M)** for creating a fantastic Pointillist firework painting.
- **Daniella G (2M)** for a fantastic and original firework picture that inspired the class.
- **Helena B (2M)** for her hard work and dedication to improving her handwriting over the half-term holiday.
- **Nicole K (5M)** for completing independent English grammar work revising dialogue, using correct punctuation and a wide range of synonyms for 'said.'
- **Lucy D (5S)** for being incredibly polite and courteous to all staff.
- **Matilda T (5S)** for being incredibly polite and courteous to all staff
- **Sophia Y (5S)** for being incredibly polite and courteous to all staff.
- **Avishag T (6W)** for a thoughtful, interesting and well-planned group E-safety video.
- **Cayetana B (6W)** for writing a fantastic biography, celebrating the life of Harriet Tubman.
- **Daisy L (6W)** for writing a moving speech, which was inspired by David Attenborough, and shared with her peers.
- **Darcy D (6W)** for a superb version of Baby Shark, teaching others about online safety.
- **Edith J (6W)** for a thoughtful, interesting and well-planned group E-safety video.

- **Erin R (6W)** for a thoughtful, interesting and well-planned group E-safety video.
- **Sophie M (6W)** for writing a moving speech, which was inspired by David Attenborough, and shared with her peers.

Please see 'Dates' below.

Miss Dina Hamalis
Head of Junior School

Channing Girls Enjoying Success

DATES

November

Wednesday	11	Remembrance Day
Saturday	14	Diwali
Wednesday	18	Y5 Meet the Headmistress and Q&A - see details above
Tuesday	24	Year 6 Ancient Greece Day
Wednesday	25	R - Y4 Meet the Headmistress and Q&A - details to follow
Thursday	26	Virtual Parents' Evening - see details above
Mon - Fri	30 - 4	ABRSM Music Exams

December

Thursday	3	Virtual Parents' Evening - see details above
Friday	4	Christmas Lunch wearing Christmas jumpers
Tuesday	8	Christmas Activities & Parties in classrooms (Reception & KS1)
Friday	11	Pre Recorded Christmas Celebration (Reception - Y6)
Friday	11	Hanukkah
Monday	14	Pre Recorded Reception, Y1 & Y2 Nativity
Monday	14	Year 5 Virtual Victorian Workshop
Wednesday	16	Last Day of Term - staggered timings to follow
Thurs - Tues	17 - 4	Christmas Holiday

January

Monday	4	INSET Day for Junior School Staff
Tuesday	5	Start of Spring Term for Y1 - Y6

Tues - Fri	5 - 8	JS 4+ Round 1
Wed & Fri Mon & Wed	13 & 15 18 & 20	JS 4+ Round 2
Monday	11	Start of Spring Term for Reception