

**Head Teacher: Miss Melanie Scull**

Friday, October 3th 2025

Week 5,

This week took us past the half way mark in this half term which, although is very long, seems to be flying by... We had our third Ocean Maths sessions this week with Year 4 inviting parents in to watch their children in a maths activity. Next week we have **Shakespeare's Ocean Maths** session on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October** and **Dicken's** on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October** – both at **9.10am**.

Year 4 were amazing in their Write2Speak practice performance to Key Stage 2 this week, I am really looking forward to watching the brave children who nominated themselves to perform at the Dugdale next week on Tuesday – I look forward to seeing as many of their families as possible there to support them, don't forget to book your place with the QR code we provided in the letter.

We went to our first Year 5/6 boys football match of the season where we played two games, winning one but losing (significantly) the other. The next match is next Tuesday weather permitting. Now I have a pile of dirty football kit!

We also had our individual and sibling photos yesterday; all children were looking smart and many of them were practicing their smiles on the way into school (encouraged by their parents). You have already had the QR codes to access them once they are available on the Churchbury Photography website.

FOCS have their first Uniform sale of the year next Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October followed by their Annual General Meeting to discuss targets and ideas for the next year will be held straight after the Uniform Sale

We also had another of our Parent Tours this week, showing prospective Nursery and Reception parents the school building and letting them know the application process for applying for a place at Chase Side. We have got more tour dates coming up, so if you know of any parents looking for a Reception school place in September 2026 or even a Nursery place for 2025, direct them to our website for further information.

A few important announcements / dates upcoming in the next few weeks:

- We are still collecting items for Harvest, until the 17<sup>th</sup> October. Please see our website for the letter with the 'urgently needed items' we are collecting.
- Parent Consultations for the Autumn Term are on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.
- Over the weeks of 13<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> October, we will be celebrating Black History Month; the children will be learning about the lives of prominent historical figures from the black community and their contribution to world history.
- Please find attached some information about Parenting training available online

At the moment we are having a wet play lunchtime but I hope the rain is not here for the entire weekend as I have football kits to wash and dry before next Tuesday.

Stronger Together,



Melanie Scull