

Newsletter



10th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a safe and restful half term; wasn't it nice to have some sun!

As lockdown eases, we are very aware that cases locally are increasing. Please continue to be vigilant and follow guidelines. Thank you for your positive feedback re collecting your children from the playground...thank you for leaving promptly and keeping social distancing in mind.

Unfortunately, I have to isolate and will not be on site until 21st June as my son is unwell and has tested positive for Covid. Thanks to the wonders of technology, planned meetings will still go ahead and I am able to keep in touch with the amazing Team CPS!

On a positive note, the governors, staff and I are again delighted to have received yet another report containing positive feedback from our most recent review; 'Teaching and Learning Review of SEND'. A practising Ofsted Lead Inspector of SEND was commissioned by Surrey to provide external validation for our progress to date. The aim of this visit was to validate the ongoing improvements and developments to our SEND provision with a focus on high quality first teaching and inclusion for all children.

The visit was thorough and involved a discussion with leaders, a learning walk to observe the teaching and provision including impact of initiatives, looking at the provision for children with EHCPs and ISPs and talking to the children and staff. A very thorough review and another very busy day!

Here is a snippet:

- *'The school's SENCO is **very knowledgeable**. She knows the children with SEND **very well**, which enables her to provide **strong support** for class teachers in **identifying and meeting the needs** of individual pupils.*
- *The school's focus on improving Wave 1 provision has been **very beneficial** for **all pupils**, including those with SEND.*
- *The drive towards **high-quality, inclusive teaching** in class has resulted in far fewer children going out of class for interventions. Rather, their needs are increasingly being met in class.*
- *Fewer long-term interventions are in place. There is a **greater emphasis** on short (5-15 minutes) same, or next-day interventions. These short sessions sometimes involve pre and/or post-teaching, in order to **facilitate greater access to learning** and/or check and **consolidate understanding**.*
- *MC is looking critically at the timetables of support staff, to ensure that they are **effectively deployed** for **maximum impact** on learning.*
- *Class teachers are beginning to grasp the concept of **ambition for all**, rather than 'differentiating down'. The results of recent non-verbal ability testing (WRAT) have helped staff to **raise their expectations**.*

- **Regular training** of teaching assistants by MC has enabled support staff to have a clearer understanding of their role and has improved their ability to work effectively with all pupils, including those with SEND. This was very evident during visits to all classrooms.
- Referrals to relevant outside agencies are made in a **timely manner**, where necessary.'

We are very proud of the rapid and sustained improvements which have been made and congratulate Mrs Cunniffe and the CPS team. The governors and CPS senior leadership team endeavour to improve all aspects of our school and are currently reflecting on our journey and our next steps for the new academic year. Our annual Governor Strategic Day in July is invaluable and we will evaluate current strategic development priorities before setting new ones which we will as always share with you.

Parents' Association

We had a virtual PA meeting this week and very productive it was too! The team reflected on successful fundraisers to date and considered new options for raising money as lockdown eases. If you have any suggestions, please do let us know!

The PA agreed to fund seating for the newly 'carpeted' library of artificial grass as it has a woodland theme, which we hope to arrive before the end of the year. We are also developing a calm area in the link corridor to support emotional self regulation and be a safe space for our children. Our children's wellbeing is very much at the heart of everything we do and this will add to our current provision.

Save the date for our next CPSPA Ball at Sandown: 18 September 2021

Do ask friends and family to join in the amazing golf day....maybe some local businesses fancy a team building day? Do ask around and promote this event! The flyer is attached.

Equally, the pool lottery uptake could be so much better - again a community effort will boost the pool project!

Thank you to everyone who has supported the PA and their events; these not only bring us resources we would not otherwise have, they also provide enrichment opportunities for our children alongside family and 'grown-up' events which make us the community we are.

Millionaire's Club

Almost 50 children joined the CPS Millionaire's Club at the end of the half term and received the prestigious millionaire's reading badge of honour to demonstrate that they have read over **1,000 000 000** words!

Congratulations!

The class at the top of the leader board for the most number of words read is:
Beech with 26,488,759 words!

Amazing!

Doodle Streaks

This week we are recognising the children who have achieved the highest Streaks in Doodle.

A Streak is the number of consecutive days your child has completed exercises on DoodleMaths or DoodleEnglish. When a child completes an exercise and collects their DoodleStars, the streak will update for that day.

The highest streaks were achieved by:



The following children all managed to achieve over 100 streaks:

Willow	Annabelle 201
Holly	Harry 204
Oak	Freddie 203
Alder	Sebbie 270
Elm	Alfie D 262 Luca 165
Chestnut	Jack 375 Charlie 270 Emily 237 Amos 202
Sycamore	Arlow 269 Maximus 266 Caleb 135

Hazel	Isabelle 206 Albie 187
Pine	George 109
Aspen	Lara 286 Ben 271
Rowan	Emily 375 Jasmine 253 Jack 206
Beech	Carys 314 Eva 207
Hawthorn	William 200 Micky 135

Congratulations to all of you. Great Work!

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Request for suitcases

As you know we very much want to create a suitcase library and would like some small suitcases... please do ask your friends too if they have any suitcases they no longer need.

Thank you



Year 6 Cricket Tournament

Year 6 Girls

On the 9th June the girls cricket team took part in a tournament on the rec. We really enjoyed our time playing cricket and we are very proud we got into the semi-finals and came fourth. Whilst playing, one of the mums gave us all ice lollies – it was great. Even though it was boiling, we had loads of fun!

Lucy & Violet (Cedar)



Year 6 Boys

In our first game we found ourselves playing some worthy opponents : Ashley. Despite some great performances and an outstanding wicket by Tristan, we failed to match our opponent's quality. Going into the second match against Royal Kent both teams determined to be victorious. With a nery last few minutes, Royal Kent snatched it late, winning by only 15 runs. Esher, who were unbeaten so far in the tournament were our next opposition, we battled bravely but ended up losing. Some fine fielding gave us high hopes for our batting where we sealed a brilliant win giving us a shining end to the tournament.

Moe & Owen (Cedar)

