

# Newsletter

17<sup>th</sup> June 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately, I now have to isolate; despite our best efforts my husband and I are both unwell and have tested positive for Covid. I have been busy zooming into meetings at school and beyond but I do miss the children and Team CPS!

Hasn't the sunshine been glorious? Please can we remind you to ensure your child has a filled water bottle every day as well as a hat. We also recommend that you pop on long lasting sunscreen.

In his announcement on Monday, the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, was not able to say that we have met all four tests for proceeding with Step 4 and thinks it is sensible to wait just a little longer. This will give time for the vaccination programme to protect people from the virus in light of the new variant. He felt confident we will not need to wait beyond 19 July. The government will monitor the position every day and if, after two weeks, the risk has diminished then Step 4 might proceed sooner.

The DFE has responded:

***Please keep your current protective measures in place until there is a further announcement on Step 4 of the roadmap. These measures in education settings will remain in place to help reduce transmission of the virus.***

Unfortunately, this yet again impacts us as this guidance, alongside the legal gathering limit of 30 for schools, remains in force:

***It is important that all spectators (including supporters, parents and others) adhere to the legal gathering limits. In addition to being legal requirements punishable by fines, those violating the measures are endangering public safety and undermining the case for safe sport to be allowed to take place.***

Our risk assessments and decision making have our values at their core and our first value is Safe and Healthy. After much thought, the governors and I have decided that sports days will go ahead and are confident the children will have a fabulous time even without spectators. We recognise that this will be disappointing for many but we are now very used to putting the health and safety of our community at the forefront of our minds.

I cannot guarantee that all parents are taking lateral flow tests twice a week; please do get your supplies via the NHS if you haven't already. My son and his friends contracted COVID simply from going to a restaurant and subsequently all received Test and Trace notifications, all have been ill along with their households.

We will ensure that the day will be special as the children will also enjoy a picnic lunch in their bubbles on the field afterwards. We will of course take lots of pictures.

Where possible, we have seized the opportunity to participate in some COVID safe local tournaments as CPS continues to be passionate about sport!

Unfortunately, the continuing restrictions also mean that our annual Celebration of Learning Evening will not go ahead. We are so excited for you to visit, to see the school and to celebrate your children's achievements during lockdown as well as since their return; however, this is simply not possible or sensible. We know that this year, more than ever, participating in your child's remote learning has given greater insight into your child's learning and achievements and recognise again that this will be a disappointment.

Secondary schools have had to cancel their Year 6 transition visits and will be contacting pupils and parents individually to let them know of any alternative plans.

## Doodle Maths

The following children completed the Spring Challenge:

Lyra (Willow), Ben (Alder), Luka (Elm), Alfie (Elm), Indio (Chestnut), Jack (Chestnut), Alice (Aspen), Jack (Rowan) and Emily (Rowan).

A Summer Challenge is coming up and the dates will be released soon. Parents need to register children for the challenge so do keep an eye out for details.

The top doodler is Amos (Chestnut)

The top doodler in KS2 is Micky (Hawthorn)

Here are the wonderful doodlers who have achieved over 100 streaks!



***Congratulations to all of you!***

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## Suitcase Library

We have been given two Trunki suitcases; Mrs Minter has leapt into action and our KS1 suitcase library has been launched. This allows our children an opportunity to pause and enjoy browsing some of our lovely books on certain days; Perfect when it is so hot! Please do let us know if you have a wheeled suitcase you would like to donate.



## And some sport .....

Y5 & Y6 Girls Football



Y5 Cricket



## Diary Dates

Summer Term 2021	
28.6.2021	9.15-11.30 – Sports Day (Y1 & Y2)
28.6.2021	1.45-3.00 – Sports Day (Reception)
29.6.2021	9.15-12.00 – Sports Day (Y3 & Y4)
30.6.2021	9.15-12.15 – Sports Day (Y5 & Y6)
21.7.2021	Last Day of Term – Staggered finish (see website)
Autumn Term 2021	
1.9.2021	INSET Day
2.9.2021	First Day back for pupils
25.10.2021	HALF TERM
17.12.2021	Last Day of Term
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