

18 November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Covid

We have some children (in Year 3 as well as some across the school) who have tested positive for Covid and others who are waiting for the results of PCR tests. Mr Hales is awaiting results of a PCR after testing positive.

We feel it is important to inform you so that you are mindful of the symptoms should your child become unwell. We would also like to make you aware that many of the children who have tested positive for Covid did not have these symptoms but had tummy aches, a sore throat or cold symptoms. As a staff team we continue to be cautious and avoid close contact, testing daily in 'hot spots' and of course continue with virtual assemblies etc. The diligence of the staff and the children themselves continues but it is so important all parents are aware of symptoms, testing regularly (twice weekly) and seeking PCR tests when needed.

Children who have symptoms should self-isolate and get a confirmatory polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test. If a child tests positive, they should continue to self-isolate in line with public health guidance (other members of the household including siblings are no longer required to isolate).

Children who have had a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test, should self-isolate and get a confirmatory polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test even if they have no symptoms.

In either case if the child then tests positive, they should continue to self-isolate in line with public health guidance (other members of the household including siblings are no longer required to isolate).

If a child's PCR test is negative and if they feel well, they may return to school.

As is the case with all absences, we would ask that you inform the school office if a child tests positive. Timely communications to the school enable us to alert the cleaners where to deep clean etc.



Our month of Friendship continues. Across our Ember Learning Trust (ELT) schools, the children focussed on '**Odd Sock Day**' and what this signifies. Our values assembly also focussed on 'friendship is amazing' and I re-read one of my favourite books; You Be You! The children also watched a short video clip of Jammie and my kittens sharing hugs and spinach!

Our Pet Prefects have been busy and our new guinea pig is so much more settled and enjoys a cuddle. He loves celery and carrots too but green peppers are his favourite at the moment! The classes all shared their ideas for a name for him and we had so many good ideas from Fluffy, Star, Cocoa and Chocolate to name a few. NIBBLES has been chosen so this weekend The Cunninghams had to concentrate and call him Nibbles as we are so used to calling him 'Piggy'!

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Tomorrow our Friendship is further reinforced - wearing something spotty for Children in Need. We will consider our wider role as citizens, supporting children and charities is also part of our wellbeing charter. At CPS we use the word CLANG to remind us of the 5 Ways to Wellbeing. Children in Need allows us to focus on 'Give' (through charitable donations) and 'Connect' (to feel connected with our community).



## Club 4

The Club4 programme (known nationally as Holiday, Activity and Food Programme) is returning for the Christmas school holidays. This programme is for children in Reception – Year 11 eligible for benefits related free school meals (FSM) or classed as vulnerable.

The Club4 programme is hugely beneficial to children and their families – it supports wellbeing and welfare, develops individual social skills and connects families so children are better prepared when they return to school after the school holidays.

Eligible families can book directly with providers through the [Club4 website](#).

Please see the attached flyer for more information.



## Jammie & Nibbles!

At school we have a new baby guinea pig. The whole school voted and has decided on the name Nibbles.

Nibbles has been settling into the Year 2 art area with Jammie. Nibbles is dark brown in colour and is still very shy so likes to try and jump out of your hands! We are very excited that Jammie has a new friend.



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## Football Focus

On Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021 the Year 5/6 Claygate Primary School Football Team travelled to Esher Church School for a football match. They won 1-0 from a goal from the halfway line.

Callum – Cedar Class



On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> the girls football team played Chandlers Field. Claygate won 8-0. 2 hat-tricks scored by Effie and Molly and Mae scored 2 goals. A great Match!

Eva – Cedar Class

A 9-0 win to Claygate Primary!  
We played Cranmere School on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021. It was an amazing game. Hat-tricks scored by Molly and Layla (with Layla scoring a 4<sup>th</sup>) and Mae scoring 2 goals.

Charlotte - Hawthorn



## Kooth

Kooth is an online wellbeing service for children and young people aged 10-18 (up to their 19th birthday).

This week they shared a guide for parents about how to start a conversation with child when worried about their mental health – please find attached flyers or [visit their website](#) for more information. .



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## Doodle Maths and English

Our top doodlers this week are:

Top Maths Doodler - Max (Sycamore)



Top English Doodler – Emily (Hawthorn)



Top Doodle Maths Class – Willow

Top Doodle English Class – Sycamore

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

## Christmas Bazaar Update

The Christmas Bazaar is now only 2 weeks away! The team are busy planning and appreciate your support with the good quality book donations, new toy or craft sets and from next week please start bringing in decorated Jam Jars filled with wrapped sweets.

Don't forget **Mufti Day on THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> December** for Tombola donations. The **Christmas Raffle is still ONLINE**, there are over 30 fantastic prizes to be won, so don't miss out. Click on the link below to register and purchase your tickets.



[Enter Raffle to Win CPS Christmas Bazaar Raffle Hosted By Helen Hatton](#)

Please see attached flyer for more details.  
The Christmas Bazaar Team

## Fire Safety

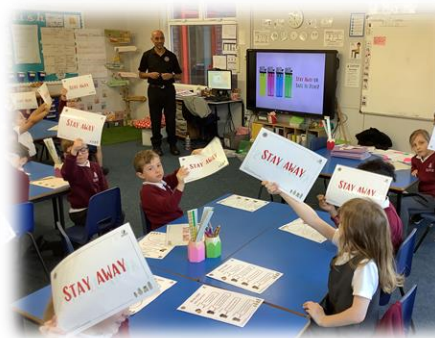
Year 2 had an exciting and informative visit from Firefighter Eric. They learnt about how to keep safe and what to do if there was an emergency.

Jess H (Elm) – “Eric taught us - When you’re out, stay out and then call the fire service out.”

Freddie (Elm) – “Fire services don't just rescue people, but animals too, from fires and floods.”

Eleanor (Chestnut) – “We shouldn't play with matches or lighters.”

Edward (Chestnut) – “It's really important if you see a fire to call 999.”



## Claygate Dance Club

Claygate Dance Club performed to an exceptional standard at the Young Dancemakers Platform 2021, Rhoda McGaw Theatre, Woking on Tuesday night.



They performed alongside other Primary Schools, Secondary Schools and Colleges. The whole evening was under the title “Our Precious Planet” and focused on our environment and how we look after our world. The High Sheriff of Surrey was in attendance and presented them with certificates.

A huge well done to the performers in years 4 and 5: Abbie, Anna, Amelia, Angel, Evie, Emily, Eliza, Isabelle, Imogen, Maisie, Millie, Nansumay, Olive, Tess and Zoe. The dance club is run by Ellie Dowling and Charlotte Morrill.