

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

Across the land, children in Year 6 have been busy with SATs. Like others, I'm sure our children were asked to 'be the best they could be but reminded that this is simply a tiny snapshot of their learning journey to date. The papers cover only a small aspect of English and Maths, which in itself is such a small part of the curriculum as a whole. How lovely to come across this poem which very much resonates with us at CPS:

The children thoroughly enjoyed their breakfast treats and it showed their values that so many popped down to thank me...some even suggested we had Year 6 breakfasts every day!

Our dedicated staff team pulled out the stops to keep the children calm and to support those who required readers, scribes and those who qualified for extra time.

A huge thank you to Mrs Pendry, who made sure her maternity leave did not impact on her class. She leaves us to begin her maternity leave soon and her last day (for now) is Friday 20th May. We look forward to hearing her news some time in June!

SATs don't measure sports
SATs don't measure art,
SATs don't measure music,
Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't see your beauty,
SATs don't know your worth,
SATs don't see the reasons,
You were put upon this earth.

SATs don't see your magic,
How you make others smile,
SATs don't time how quickly,
You can run a mile.

SATs don't hear your laughter,
Or see you've come this far,
SATs are just a tiny glimpse,
Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table,
With a pencil and your test,
Remember SATs aren't who you are,
Remember **you're the best!**



On the 11th June Miss Cooper, Mrs Whittaker and Miss Rainbow are taking part in the Zip It to Stop MS fundraiser event. After Miss Cooper's RRMS diagnosis last year, she has really wanted to do something to raise awareness of MS and find a way to support the MS Society who have been incredible to her so far. After mentioning it to the Year 2 team, they agreed to help. They will be travelling over 100mph at 500 feet above ground across England's longest zip line overlooking the Bluewater Cliffs!

If you would like to support them, please visit their Just Giving page and donate if you can. They would like to say thank you already for your support!

[Justgiving.com](https://www.justgiving.com)

Covid Vaccinations

For all 5 to 11 and 12 to 15 year old vaccinations, you can [book COVID-19 vaccination appointments online](#) for an appointment at a vaccination centre or pharmacy, or [find a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site](#), to get vaccinated without needing an appointment. You should also have received a letter from the NHS with more information about how to get your child vaccinated.

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Library

It was lovely to see our library in use: thank you again to our Library Team for making this happen. Hopefully, the whole school will soon all be using the library now we have 'had a go' with some of our children!



The Great Elmbridge Book Hunt

Walton Charity is very excited to announce the launch of "The Great Elmbridge Book Hunt", a hunt-the-book competition taking place during May half term.



They would love as many children as possible to join in the fun and be in with a chance of winning books for our school library.

From Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June, **100 books** will be hidden across the borough for primary school children to find and enjoy. Not only that, but every lucky book winner can also enter a prize draw to **win a massive £200 worth of books for our school!**

Walton Charity are committed to tackling issues of poverty, loneliness, education, housing, and health in our local area. They believe that books are a great way for children to make sense of issues and challenges that can affect us all, therefore for our book hunt, we have chosen 100 popular titles that tackle important themes linked to our five key priorities (www.waltoncharity.org.uk/about-us).

More information about the book hunt and the full terms and conditions can be found on the [Walton Charity website](http://www.waltoncharity.org.uk).

KS2 Reading Papers

The Standards and Testing Agency (STA) have chosen our school to trial some KS2 reading papers in Year 6 on 19th May. Hawthorn have been randomly selected and their Bikeability training will not be affected as it is taking place the following week.

A member of the STA will deliver this test, which will take no longer than 1 hour. This is to help inform the content of future test papers. We will not receive any information regarding individual scores or the outcome of these tests and we will not receive any information on how they have been used to inform future papers.



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Doodle

This week's top Doodlers are:

Top Maths Doodler KS1 :
Euan (Chestnut)



Top Maths Doodler KS2:
Charlie (Sycamore)



Top English Doodler KS1:
Huxley (Alder)



Top English Doodler KS2:
George (Beech)



Special mention also goes to our top Dual Doodlers:
Huxley (Alder) and Maximus (Pine)



Congratulations to all of you!

Green Redeem

There are just a couple of weeks left until the end of the Elmbridge School Donations Scheme. At the end of May the available funding will be awarded. The more points we can amass as a school the more funding we will receive.

We are currently 9th on the league table so would be grateful for as many points as possible. You can register and donate points via <https://register.greenredeem.co.uk/elmbridgeschools-internal>

Many thanks for your support.

Year 1 - Flight

Year 1 are enjoying their current learning focus on flight. They have been using their oracy skills to interview the Montgolfier brothers and re-enact the first human flight in a hot air balloon. Some children have been so inspired by the Montgolfier brothers that they have even created their own hot air balloons at home!

They are all very excited for their school trip to Brooklands Museum in two weeks.