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26th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

What a super-fast half term this has been! So many things to reflect upon and celebrate, and I am certain tomorrow's Jubilee celebrations will create even more lasting memories for our children.



Last week we had an EYFS external review commissioned by the LA. We were thrilled with their report! Here are the many highlights!

- The excellent provision reflects all areas of the EYFS curriculum between the two learning environments with many opportunities for self selection to engage in child initiated learning.
- The provision is thoughtfully set up, with quality, purposeful resources. Opportunities for reading and writing are embedded into the provision, for example the children had clipboards and design sheets in the construction area and were using these to plan and label their models they were creating.
- Reading opportunities are immersed into the environment with books to support the activities, signs and labels to encourage independent reading and application of their phonic ability.
- The reception classes are free flow, with staff working with all the children across the provision and uploading observations to class dojo for parent partnerships and online learning journeys.
- The staff have an excellent understanding of quality over quantity. The resources in the setting are organised well and clearly labelled, ensuring children have a clear understanding of where everything should be returned to. The children demonstrate independence and respect for their environment and resources. This was seen during tidy up time, with the children all taking part and knowing where and how resources should be put away.
- Children engage well in the activities provided and maintain focus. They are confident learners and will happily talk to adults about what skills they are learning.
- Displays reflect areas of learning, with photos to support their learning. There are many opportunities for language within the classroom, which is the highest priority of the new EYFS framework.
- The school has developed their 'mini woodies' area to increase their outdoor learning time and their experiences in the natural world. Once again, the independence of the youngest children was evident, observing them putting on their wellington boots for their time there.
- The nursery and reception have some shared outdoor areas, with the nursery benefiting greatly from the resources that they have access to from the reception classes, especially the large climbing frame, story telling area and the sand hut.
- The strong EYFS lead has a clear understanding of the areas to develop and the vision for EYFS. She is well supported by the headteacher, who shares the same visions.
- The timetable is well planned in reception to ensure children have a large period of time to access continuous provision, with inputs and time given for whole class focus work (maths and Literacy) using the clipboards at carpet time, rather than sitting at chairs.
- The EYFS lead has an excellent understanding of the priorities and how to further develop their settings.



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I would like to take this opportunity once again to talk about emotional wellbeing and mental health support for children and young people in Surrey. <u>Mindworks Surrey</u> is the emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Surrey. On their website, you can find information, advice and resources for children of all ages, their parents and carers, and those working with children. Please share this resource with others, should you feel it would benefit them.

Wishing you all a wonderful and restful half term break.

Top of the Form



We were so proud of our CPS Top of the Form team who competed against St Georges on Monday in the semifinal.

The standard of questions was noticeably higher than in previous rounds and Carys, Donnie, Corbin and Edward answered some really difficult questions. The children operated very well as a team and were unlucky to lose by a narrow margin.

The CPS team was particularly gracious to the winners, wishing them success in the future and the other team readily acknowledged that the CPS team were tough competition!

Well done Team CPS!

Sports Round-up

Cricket

Well done to the Year 5 & 6 boys and girls cricket team who played in a cricket tournament on Monday at Walton Cricket Club. This is a tournament that is taking place over 4 Mondays this term. On Monday they played 2 matches and won both.

Football Finals

Well done to the boys and girls football teams who had their finals this week. The boys played on Tuesday against St Albans. Unfortunately, after a hard fought match they lost. It was a great achievement to get to the finals however.

Congratulations to the girls team who played St Paul's in their final on Wednesday. A very close game with Claygate winning 1-0. A great victory!









Doodle

This week's top doodlers are:

Top Maths KS1 : Edward (Chestnut)





Top Maths KS2 : Layla (Cedar)

> Top English KS1 : Huxley (Alder)





Joint Top English KS2 : Dougie (Hazel) and George (Beech)



Congratulations to all of you!

CPS Ball

Saturday night saw the long-awaited return of the CPS Ball at Sandown racecourse. It was wonderful to see so many of you looking fabulous in your Roaring 20s outfits! Thanks to your huge generosity we raised over £6k towards the school pool fund!

We would like to say a huge thank you to Newton Huxley for sponsoring the event, to Gerry Davies and Greg Armon-Jones for being such superb compères for the evening, to everyone who came along, donated prizes to the live and silent auctions and bought prizes- we really couldn't do this without you!

We would welcome any feedback on the event, or if you would like to get involved next year please drop us an email at cpspa.ball@gmail.com.

The Ball Team x

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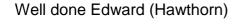


Lyra, Jake, India, Alis, Scarlett and Holly (Oak Class) all danced in a dance show for their Dance club. We are so impressed to hear about the range of dances they did in front of an audience, including ballet, street-dance, mini-jazz and tap.

You can see they look rightfully proud of their achievements!

Miss Cooper, the Surrey Arts piano teacher, has asked us to mention that she is delighted with Edward's MTB Pre-Higher Grade Piano Exam result. He achieved 98/100, which is a Distinction!







James (Cedar), Callum (Cedar) and Arthur (Hawthorn) competed with their football team in the Europa Cup last Sunday.

They competed against 6 other teams from the UK and France in the famous PSG Parc des Princes stadium. It was a fabulous experience for them and they had a marvellous time – not least because they won the tournament!

Congratulations boys!

James and Archie (Acorns Nursery) took part in two Kuk Sool Won Demonstrations at the Esher May Fair last weekend.

They showed great determination and confidence, performing in front of a big audience! They are the youngest in the demonstration team and they were amazing!



Well done boys!

Claygate Flower Show

The Claygate Flower & Village Show is back! This year's Junior Section theme is 'A Garden Party'. Half term is a great opportunity to start creating. There are lots of ideas for your children to have a go at from making a miniature garden in a teacup or a garden party hat or crown. Remember there are lot of prizes and cups to be won as well as seeing your work on display! Take a look at <u>the flower show website</u> under the Junior Section for more ideas.

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Year 5 – Design Technology

Year 5 have been learning about what makes a healthy and balanced meal in Design Technology. They learned where the ingredients came from, how a recipe could be adapted to ensure the main food groups were included, and alternative healthier options. The children then honed their cooking skills by using knives to chop and dice vegetables as well as using induction hobs to cook beef mince (or vegetarian substitutes) and put it all together to create a delicious spaghetti bolognese.

The food tasted so good, there wasn't a scrap left!



Year 1 Brooklands Trip

On Wednesday, Year 1 had their first big trip to Brooklands Museum. The children explored the Bus Museum and the Aircraft Factory along with taking a guided tour of 'Journeys by air', looking at the many different flight machines through the years. The children were lucky enough to take a tour of a Concorde and 'meet' Hilda Hewlett: who was the first woman to receive her pilot's licence. The day was a great success, and fun was had by all!

A big thank you to Brooklands Museum for having us and a special thank you to our parent helpers!

