

Newsletter

5 January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome Back!

We hope you had a happy and healthy Christmas and a relaxing break. Team CPS would like to wish all of our community a Happy New Year. It was lovely seeing all of the children return, eager to share all of their Christmas news and holiday activities; looking smart and ready to learn.

Our theme for the week

This week's theme is energy.



Democracy

Energy is required to power many of the useful and convenient items we use daily. This energy can be produced in many different ways. We can use our voices to share our thoughts on this and impact the future.

Protected Characteristics

Young people can be overlooked for their ideas because they may not be as experienced as adults but when given the opportunity, they can often make a valuable contribution.



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UN Rights of a Child



Having electricity and heating in our homes and schools can help ensure we survive and develop in the best possible way. Governments must make sure all children survive and develop in the best way possible.

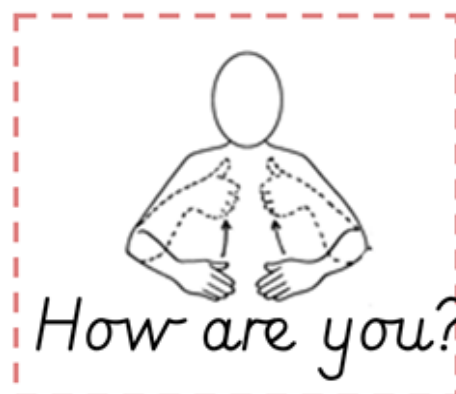


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Makaton Sign of the Week

This half term we are focusing on signs about emotion / feelings.

The children are encouraged to use Makaton to express themselves.



Marriage Course

Would you like to invest in your relationship?

The Marriage Course starts at Holy Trinity on Tuesday 17 January at 7.30pm. The course is open to anyone who has been in a committed relationship for 2 years. It is a series of 7 sessions that are designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage or, in some cases, to restore what is broken. The material is based on Christian principles but accessible to all, with any faith or none. The course will run primarily online although the first and last session are in person at Holy Trinity.



**The
Marriage
Course**

"A really worthwhile thing to have invested time in, the benefits of it will long outlive the time spent. We began the course in a really good place and investing further feels like it has safeguarded this - I recommend not waiting until things are challenging before choosing to invest in the most significant relationship of your life."

If you would like to join us, you can sign up at www.htclaygate.org

Extra Curricular Clubs

All extra-curricular activities are now open for booking. Full details and booking details can be found [on the school website](#).

Some are already full so do sign up as soon as possible to secure your child's place.

As well as all the existing clubs, we have a new KS1 Spanish Club starting, a new French Club for reception children and the return of our very popular Cheerleading Club for all years.

Chicken Pox

Please remain vigilant for the signs of chicken pox. If your child is presenting with any symptoms, even just one or two spots, please do not send them into school as we have had to send a number of children home.

Netstars Netball

At Esher High this January, Netstars Netball are setting up one of their friendly High 5s leagues. These are open to children of all abilities because matches are coached by highly experienced coaches; so win or lose every player learns new skills and sportsmanship as well as making new friends and of course having fun!

The league starts on 14 January and interested players in school years 3-7 just need to gather a team (5 plus players), think up a great team name and email Netstars to confirm their place at info@netstarsnetball.com. The term costs £71.50 per player and each child can register via this link <https://netstars-netball.class4kids.co.uk/info/161>.

Matches last 40-45 minutes and are played on Saturday mornings, 10.30-12noon at Esher High School, Netstars will confirm the team's match time for the term when they sign up. More info on the attached flyer.

Celebrating Success

Giana (Rowan) practices Kuk Sool Won and has passed her most recent testing to become a DBN (Dan-Bo-Nim), which means she's now black belt candidate.

It takes a lot of dedication, discipline and hard work to memorise and perform the forms and the techniques at a high level to become a DBN and I wanted to share this huge achievement. Giana is very very pleased.

Congratulations Giana, we're all proud of you!



Nibbles & Cookie

If you are able to look after our lovely guinea pigs Nibbles & Cookie one weekend, or during the school holidays, please do contact the school office. Mrs Kosbab would be pleased to add you to the rota – gill.kosbab@claygate.surrey.sch.uk.

Faith in Action

Please see the attached Christmas 2022 Newsletter from Faith in Action, with news updates about Katete in Uganda.

Surrey Youth Games

Active Surrey would like to hear from parents and children about how we can improve physical activity opportunities and the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games.



Here is the survey link: <https://wss.pollfish.com/link/8a3cc349-445c-4df8-9c97-afe78a0e15e7?apik=%apik%&transid=%transid%>

Active Surrey have asked [Magenta Research](#) to run this survey on their behalf to; explore families preferences for taking part in physical activity; how parents/children find out about activities in their area; and how Active Surrey could provide improved ways for children to be more physically active.

We really want to hear your views if you haven't heard of the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games, which offers children the chance to try sports and activities they haven't done before, **for FREE!**

Thank you very much for your help.
The Active Surrey Team

Dates for your Diary

SPRING TERM 2023	
12.1.2023	Online Safety Workshops for KS2
13.1.2023	Aspen Class Assembly (9.10am)
17.1.2023	EYFS 'Winter Day'
19.1.2023	Green House Day
20.1.2023	Chinese New Year Mix Up Day & Lunch
20.1.2023	Pine Class Assembly (9.10am)
23.1.2023	Handwriting Day / Choir at Young Voices
23.1.2023 – 27.1.2023	Year 6 – Bikeability Week
26.1.2023	Parents Forum – Writing – Online (9.30am)
27.1.2023	Chestnut Class Assembly (9.10am)
30.1.2023 – 3.2.2023	Year 6 – Bikeability Week
1.2.2023	Year 5 – Hampton Court
3.2.2023	Sycamore Class Assembly (9.10am)
3.2.2023	Year 1 – Drop in and Read Session (2.40pm-3pm)
7.2.2023	Safer Internet Day
7.2.2023	Enrichment Assembly – Alder Class (2.50pm)
8.2.2023	Enrichment Assembly – Aspen Class (2.50pm)
8.2.2023	Parent Pop-Ins (3.30pm-4pm)
10.2.2023	Hazel Class Assembly (9.10am)
HALF TERM	
20.2.2023	INSET Day – School Closed to Children
21.2.2023	Children return to school
27.2.2023	Years 5 & 6 – 'Who Cares' Performance
27.2.2023	Childnet Online Safety Workshop for Parents (7pm-8pm)
1.3.2023	Parents Forum – Communication – Online (9.30am)
3.3.2023	Elm Class Assembly (9.10am)
10.3.2023	Oak Class Assembly (9.10am)
17.3.2023	Alder Class Assembly (9.10am)
24.3.2023	Reception Assembly (9.10am)
28.3.2023	Enrichment Assembly – Oak Class (2.50pm)
29.03.2023	Enrichment Assembly – Pine Class (2.50pm)
EASTER HOLIDAYS	
SUMMER TERM 2023	
17.4.2023	INSET Day – School Closed to Children
18.4.2023	Children return to school

Please do keep an eye on the [calendar on the school website](#) as dates are added regularly and occasionally dates may change.