

CPS Courier

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Welcome to our final edition of our school newspaper for the academic year 2021-2022. Our School Councillors and members of Year 6 have worked hard to write some news articles for the CPS courier. We really hope you enjoy reading it:

Celebration Assembly

Last week, we did a class celebration evening of our learning. We showed all of the work that we have done in the past year.

After that we went into our new class. In Hazel class, we joined up with Sycamore class and sang our school jammie dodger values Song by Mr Davies. As we did the assembly, the board behind us showed all of our favourite memories of the year. All our adults watched us.

I felt quite nervous to start with, but also really proud of myself and my class for remembering our lines.

Tilly P

Year 3 visit the British Museum..

When we went to the British Museum we got there by travelling on the coach. We had to sit in pairs and we were late! We got stuck in SO much traffic! It was for our topic of Ancient Egyptians.

When we arrived (finally), we saw lots of sarcophaguses, mummy bandages, artefacts and jewellery. We had our packed lunches pretty quickly on some tables inside then we got into groups (our teachers had already told us these before we left). We had so much fun and it was definitely worth going.



Millie R

Year 2 visit Windsor Castle..

One morning as we walked to school we were excited for our school trip. When we walked into class we were put into groups to go to Windsor Castle. When we got off the coach, we had arrived. We walked through Windsor Castle and even saw the band playing and the guards changing over too. We went into the gift shop and had a classroom experience. We acted out the Queen's coronation and a dubbing ceremony which was great fun!

The best first trip of CPS!

Emmy and Tobias



Year 6—Thames Mariners!



On the 27th of June to the 29th of June, we, Y6, went to Thames Young Mariners for our residential. We slept in giant teepees, with 12 in each teepee.

For meals, we went to the canteen. The food was delicious and there were many empty plates! We got to choose exactly what we wanted and at lunchtime we got to sit outside with our friends!

During the trip, we got to take part in 5 amazing activities, each 3 hours long. There was: stand-up paddleboarding, kayaking, canoeing, raft building, orienteering and the dock jump - it wasn't an actual activity but it was the best! On Monday, we did 1 activity after lunch then 1 in the evening. On Tuesday, we did 1 in the morning (after breakfast), 1 after lunch, and then we had a campfire in the evening. We roasted marshmallows and hosted "CPS at Thames Young Mariners has got talent!" There was some tough competition and it was really funny to watch! On Wednesday, we had 1 activity after breakfast, then we had lunch and then, sadly, it was time to leave.

By Emily B and Ellie O.

On the 27th June, Year 6 set off on an exciting journey to Thames Young Mariners. After 25 minutes in the coach, they finally arrived. The group of thrilled Year 6s went to explore their teepees (that they would be sleeping in for the next couple of nights). They then began arranging themselves in the places that they would be most comfortable to sleep in. Once they had sorted out their sleeping positions, Year 6 was split into 5 groups for the activities. Groups 1, 2 and 3 were kayaking first followed by stand up paddleboarding; groups 4 and 5 were doing stand-up paddle boarding first followed by orienteering. After completing the first fun activities all children were taken to the cafeteria where a delicious meal was waiting for them. The dish included: sausages and potato wedges with an optional side of baked beans with jelly and ice cream (separately). After dinner was free time, where the children could choose from a variety of things to do. Most people chose to play football so we challenged another school to a match. Once free time had finished, everyone went to bed, eager for a new day of adventures to begin. The next morning, breakfast was: sausages, bacon, hash browns, toast, fruit and cereal (all optional). The mornings activities were: Group 1,2 and 3 had canoeing and group 4 and 5 had kayaking. Then in the afternoon group 1,2 and 3 were orienteering, meanwhile group 4 and 5 were canoeing. For dinner Year 6 had bolognese with cheese and garlic bread with eclairs for dessert. After dinner, we had free time again, then after that we sang campfire songs and did Claygate's got talent where several people did acts for fun. The last day was Wednesday, where we all mixed together to do raft building where we made massive rafts to go on and test in the water. Unfortunately, after that it was time to leave and we all packed up and said goodbye. That is our Year 6 trip summed up - it was amazing!

By Jasmine D & Charlotte A



Year 6—Thames Mariners!

Between 27th and 29th June, Year 6 visited Thames Young Mariners: our first school trip for 2 years, due to Covid-19. Upon arriving, we immediately set up tents and got sorted into our groups.



Our group consisted of ourselves, Zak, Callum, James H, Edward, Beau and Arthur. Our first activity (after eating lunch) was kayaking, including a race. Although it was raining heavily, it was a great first experience! We were delighted by the quality of the food and all the different experiences. We also learned canoeing, including a game of battleships on water, and performed dock jumps from 3m into the lake. Our favourite activity was the stand-up paddle boarding. It was much better than our expectations!

Quincy F and James C



Thames Young Mariners was a camping trip where we had the opportunity to try out many water activities and orienteering. We stayed overnight for two nights and spent three days trying out many activities.

On the first day when we arrived we tucked into our delicious packed lunches from home, then we were told our tepee groups and settled into them. Later on, we took part in our first activities: kayaking and stand-up paddle boarding: both groups had fun and learnt a lot! Later that evening we completed some orienteering exercises which were really enjoyable.

On the second day, we all woke up at around 6:30 am and headed for breakfast – there were both cooked and continental options. After that, we took part in canoeing – something I had never tried before. Later that day there was the opportunity to do dock jumping: leaping off a high platform into the water and then climbing up a cargo net! In the afternoon, we did some climbing on low ropes and solved a water puzzle! In the evening, we had a Claygate's Got Talent show round the campfire - Austin performed hilariously and Cary's sang brilliantly! We also got cake for Emily and Ellie's Birthdays.

On the third and final day, we tried out raft building which was a lot of fun because my group made our raft very securely and we had the right weight on either side so it did not sink or was lop-sided. Then we packed up and got ready to leave – on the way home, we were all exhausted!

Minnie D and Zak M



Year 5 visit Hampton Court!

2 weeks ago, Year 5 went on a school trip to Hampton Court Palace. We got there on two different trains and then walked the rest of the way. As soon as we got there we sorted ourselves out into 5 groups and walked into the first courtyard where we met our tour guide and started to venture into the palace. The first thing we learnt about was the great hall and what they ate. Then, we visited different rooms and corridors and learnt an amazing facts: Hampton Court has over a thousand rooms!

BY the end of the day, everyone was tired: some of us nearly fell asleep on the train back to Claygate! All of us really enjoyed this day and hope to do something like it again.



Tess

Highlights of Life at CPS:

I loved it when Year 6 got to help the younger ones with their sports day and when the nursery got me soaked in an activity. I also loved it when I got to make dens with the Year 2s. I enjoyed every trip during Claygate Primary School we had, especially our residential in yr 6.

Adam W

Visiting Esher High:

On the 11th of July, many of the Year 6's went to the Esher Church of England High School as part of their induction to have a look and be informed about their future High School. The group of people were informed about: what to wear, all the equipment that was needed normally, where everything is and where you needed to be as well as who your teachers and TA's are. The school has many facilities for classes and P.E. and luckily there are clubs that are on all the time offering a variety of activities for your liking such as cooking, football (for boys and girls), basketball, homework club and many more but there is a total of around 30 clubs to attend for free. There is even a bus after school for you to get, right next to the school. For the students who went there for the morning, they were allowed to get a cookie and an orange juice. Tasty!

Arthur S



Visiting Hinchley Wood

The Hinchley Wood induction day was on the 29th June. At the start I realized that I was the only person in Claygate in my form. I am excited to get my locker, uniform, books, stationary and make new friends in my class. We were set a challenge over the summer to do with reading certain books. I am looking forward to lessons like P.E. and DT. I will take part in clubs like hockey, football and learn how to play the drums.



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Sports Day

When we did sports day we had a selection of fun activities related to sports. Some of the activities were long jump, high jump, speed bumps and hurdles but it was different for each year group. Everyone looked like they were having so much fun! At the end of sports day we did races and relays. Some of the parents even ran too! It was fantastic to see lots of people supporting other teams as well as their own.

Overall it was a brilliant sports day and Ruxley won!



Tyler C



Want to be a sports prefect?

Coming into Year 6 we had a choice to become a prefect of some sort. I wanted to become a sport prefect, so I had to write a persuasive letter to convince Mrs Gee and Mr Williams that I'd be a good sport prefect for the school.

My first job as a sport prefect was to pump up the new footballs that the school bought. I had some assistance with my friend in the other class called Zak (he is the other sport prefect). After a little while I was given a badge that says 'sport prefect' in gold. The days that Mr Williams wasn't here I was able to pick a friend and we would set up everything we needed to for P.E.

At playtime you will have a mini advantage since you will be able to go into the shed and pump up your football or rugby ball and more without having to ask.

We also helped at Sports day. I have enjoyed being a Sports prefect

James H

Chess Tournament at LDSM

I played 4 people at a chess tournament. I won two matches and lost two matches. Thames Ditton won first place and Esher Church was Second.

I played against one player and I won but Esher Church won by all the points at the end. They were amazing!

There were also questions to answer at the end of the day. I answered one of the questions at the end of the day, which was right.

Ben S

Celebration Assembly KS1

We sang a CPS song and I was in the 4th and 14th line when we were speaking. Our parents and little siblings came and my family came too. We were showing our parents our books too.

Ben S

DOODLE AMBASSADOR

Being a Doodle Ambassador/Doodle Champion is very fun because you get to deliver stickers, pencils, badges and more! Occasionally, we launch Doodle Challenges, which are where people who sign up have 30 days to earn as many stars as you can. People who get the most stars win prizes- so far we have had magnets and the winners of the June challenge, which will be coming out soon, will get special keyrings. I have really enjoyed being a Doodle Ambassador this year and I hope that the next years' Doodle Ambassadors will find it as fun as I have.

Carys P



Highlights of CPS.. From Year 1

My favourite part of Year 1 was using different fruits and vegetables to make a smoothie. It was fun chopping up the fruit and mixing it all together. I also loved visiting Brooklands Museum as there was so much to see!

Huxley and Hari



Year 6—Production



The end of Year 6 production took place in the hall on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th and seemed to be a great success. All of the Year 6s got a part, although some weren't speaking parts and Mr. Davies worked hard to adjust the script so that everyone was happy. We only had 4 weeks to rehearse which meant there was no time to mess about so we practiced Tuesday-Friday on each week we had and it paid off. Milo Mills, who had one of the main parts (BC) thought the play went really well and enjoyed every single moment of it.

Bobby Cobblestone was a popular character with the audience as well as Gravel and the 4 Juans as they reduced the crowd to nothing but laughter. Juan 2 who was played by Zak Malik said, "It was a fun experience and I was so glad to get the opportunity to be a Juan.

His favourite scene was the eye chart scene as it was extremely comical.

Jessica had the role of Lady Lava and was crucial to the play. Unfortunately, she was off for a week and therefore didn't get that much practice in. However she made an amazing recovery and managed to learn most of her lines in a short period of time. She found that her favourite part she was in was the song 'Hocus Pocus' since it was a truly magical song.



Edward C

There were many songs to sing and a choreography team to learn dances to all of the songs. It was amazingly fun because I was in the choreography team and got to have lots of fun on the stage.

By Megan N

We have been preparing for the Year Six production and it was a successful experience; we performed it on Thursday 14th July. I was the made-up character called Anneka who sought out objects and described them as something totally different to what they actually were! It was really enjoyable to act in the play as a farewell to our time at CPS.

Jane S



Behind the scenes..

What is it like being an actor?

"Just incredible! Emily (Elsa Egghead) said. "It was really fun and I got to wear a crazy wig! It was exciting going on stage and seeing the audience all looking at me!" It's so fun really getting into character at every scene and watching your fellow actors saying their lines."

What is it like being a dancer?

"Incredible fun! I loved running on stage with the crazy moves, but once or twice every performance I or somebody else would do completely the wrong thing accidentally - I once fell on stage during Rock Bottom Rocks! However, it was amazingly enjoyable dancing in the big group and singing along to the songs, and I definitely do not regret it at all! I loved the range of people doing the dances - we had Wild Wilma, Morris Miner, Rebecca Rockefeller and Coral in the front row, Sabrina, Lady Lava and the Rockstar in the middle row, and the Caveys, Gravel and Bobby in the back row!"

What is it like on the benches?

Often hectic! Everyone forgets their prop or their cue or something once in a while (and steps on one of the birds used in Welcome To My Life - often on purpose!) but most of the time it's fun watching the Juans' antics, The Timekeepers narrating, Lady Lava ordering around Gravel, Bobby talking to Wild Wilma, Rocky showing off to the Caveys, Coral's Bould-er scene, and much, much more! Jessica (Lady Lava) quoted "It was often crazy! The birds would always knock my cauldron over and I would be seen from the crowds picking it all up!"

What is it like before the performance?

Everyone rushes into the changing rooms to get changed as quickly as possible - so if they are in Hawthorn they can watch the Secret Life of Pets, and if they are in Cedar they can simply organise their props. Megan (Morris Miner) quoted "Before the performance you can see everyone coming in and people get nervous because, for example, on Thursday night there was over 100 people in the crowd."

What is it like on stage?

"A bit stressful but very fun and enjoyable to do. Charlotte (Rocky Rockefeller) quoted "It's fun to see the audience getting involved in the scenes such as the 'It's behind you' bit"

What is it like after the performance?

"A rush! Everyone is bursting to go back home - especially when we're running late! People run around carrying cauldrons and bones and printed pictures of peas!"

Rebecca H