# CPS Courier

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Welcome to the seventh edition of our school newspaper.

We are now half way through this academic year, and inside this newspaper you will find all the exciting updates written by our school councillors and Year 6 team

We really hope you enjoy reading it:

World Book Day!

On the first Thursday of March every year, people dress up for World Book Day!

At Claygate Primary School, children were invited to dress up as their favourite character and bring their favourite book, even the teachers dressed up!

The Year 4, 5 and 6 classes shared their favourite books with lower years in KS1. Year 6 also made up a short story with their favourite two characters from different books to share with the rest of the class.

There were some awesome world book day activities as well, such as puzzles for children to complete while they ate lunch.

World book day was a great day at Claygate Primary School.

Eualalia





"On world book day, we dressed as our favourite book characters. We entered a competition where we had to turn a spoon into your favourite book character. I made my spoon into "Aliens love underpants"! We joined with other year groups to share our favourite book and some of us were lucky enough to listen to Year 6 children read to us! One of my favourite books is Captain underpants. '

Henry

We enjoyed World Book Day and dressing up as our favourite book character. The competition was exciting because my friend Otto won. He had made his spoon into 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. In the afternoon we went into the hall with some Year 6 children. It was lots fun sharing our books and using the different stem sentences.

Woody

## **Fabulous Spoon Characters**

World Book Day took place on the 3rd of March 2023. I was able to dress up as Amanda Thrip, and I dressed up as Black Panther. We each made a spoon too: mine was The Singing Mermaid, and mine was Black Panther.

Even the teachers dressed up as the aliens from aliens love underpants.

We celebrate World Book Day because books help us to learn and we are lucky to have so many.

In the afternoon, we went into the hall and worked with children from another year geroup. We shared our favourite books and listened to each other read.

At the end of the day, we all received a one pound book vouchers.



Lyra M and Nathan O'N







## **Get Caught Reading!**

The get caught out reading challenge was set by Mrs Minter to encourage reading.



## What did Mrs Minter think ..?

When interviewed, Mrs Minter she said her favourite was the photograph taken in an art exhibition as it was bright, vibrant and sets a peaceful atmosphere.

Gianna

## A day in the life of.. Mrs Cunningham!

### 1. What time do you get to school each day?

Just before 7am so I often open the school ready for the teachers arriving.

#### 2. Do you have meetings at the same time every day?

I have lots of meetings, sometimes before school, sometimes in the school day and some even as late as 9pm!

#### 3. What's your favourite part of being a headteacher?

I have many parts of my job which are favourites; working with our amazing team and the governors to see how we can be the best school we can be and of course seeing so many lovely children every day! I love being a head teacher!

#### 4. What book are you currently reading?

I like mysteries and crime novels. I am reading books by the author Kathy Reichs at the moment

### 5. What do you wish you had more time to do?

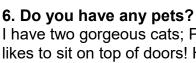
I do like to travel, visiting new places. I love going to the theatre and cinema too. If I had more time, I would probably read even more. I like doing Killer Sudoku puzzles and jigsaws. This is a photo of Mr Cunningham and I; you

> can see St Mary's lighthouse behind us - this is one of my favourite places. This is high tide so you cannot walk across, but when the tide goes out, there is a causeway path and you can visit the island. There are many seals, dolphins and birds here to see too.



I have two gorgeous cats; Purdey has a pink nose and loves climbing - she likes to sit on top of doors! Her brother, Pascal is the same age but is much bigger than her and he loves to snooze! Max and Emily







## **Butser's Farm**

Butser's Farm is amazing! Out of ten, I would give it a ten out of ten. I would love to go there again. At Butser's Farm I got to learn things I had never learnt before. My favourite activity was when we got tot carve the chalk. Being able to go to Butser's Farm was one of my favourite trips at CPS. I loved it!

Ziggy







## **Brilliant Bee-Bots**



n computing we have been using Beebots. You have to give clear instructions to make them work. We have used them in obstacle courses, making sure each instruction is in the correct order. We also had a go at giving our learning partners instructions, where we had to 'debug' errors to make sure our instructions were right .

In computing we have been learning to use the Beebots. We have tinkered to find out how they work and recorded videos to instruct other people how to use them. Also, we pretended to be a Beebot, working in groups. There was a controller, judge and a Beebot. I was a controller so I had to tell the Beebot what to do!

Henry





## **CPS** Weather Forecasts



As geographers we are learning about the weather. This week we have drawn some symbols for many different weathers. I know that the weather is about the air outside and the sky. It includes some stunning effects like flashes of lightning, rainbows and sunsets.

Woody



## **Hampton Court Palace**





On the 2nd March, Year 5 all went to Hampton Court Palace to learn more about the Tudors.

We had a tour through the whole of the palace. We and Hawthorn were the only Year in school as it was the teachers strike day.

We got to Hampton Court Palace on a coach and had lunch in a main hall. We did lots of fun activities and even the teachers joined in too. We learnt how Henry VIII died and how Henry VIII's brother died of sweaty sickness.

We came back to school on the same coach at the end of the day.



## Mother's Day celebrations in



To celebrate Mother's Day, EYFS invited mums and female carers to a tea party. They sang a song and then enjoyed lots of yummy food at the picnic



Adam: 'I am having a picnic with my mummy for Mother's Day. I shared sandwiches with my mummy. I had lots of fun'.

Adeline: 'Me and mummy are hugging. My favourite part was seeing mummy at school and eating lots of sandwiches'.

## **Magical Music Moments at CPS**

On 15<sup>th</sup> March, our KS2 choir travelled to Wembley Arena to sing in a huge concert called 'Voice in a Million'. We sang a wide variety of songs, which we had been practising each week in choir club, including Elton John's 'I'm Still Standing', S Club 7's 'Reach for the Stars'. Rina Sawayama's 'Chosen Family' and the extremely popular 'Dance Monkey'. The event was in support of Adoption UK, which helps children who need new families to be fostered and adopted. Our favourite parts were the banner parade at the start, where each school introduces themselves on stage, and when the team of dancers joined in: their timing was amazing! We would definitely recommend it - you also get a matching VIAM T-shirt to keep and remember it by!

Tess and Daniel







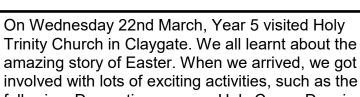


On 28<sup>th</sup> February, the members of Claygate TV Club had the chance to visit Surrey Hills Community Radio station in Leatherhead and record our own radio show! Kayleigh, our presenter for the day, explained how there are various different types of national and local radio broadcasting around the UK (and online around the world!) and how they work. We discovered the many ways radio stations serve their community, and had a go at designing our own schedule of programmes, but our favourite part was when we recorded our own show, 'The Claygate Primary Top 10', which was broadcast on Saturday 18th March. Don't worry if you missed it though - you can hear it again by visiting https://www.mixcloud.com/ surreyhillsradio/

**Amelia and Nansumay** 



## **Get Cracked!**



following; Decorating our own Holy Cross, Dancing to the Easter uptown funk and many more.



We also indulged ourselves in the Easter Story, recreating The Last Supper and Jesus being crucified. Everyone was involved, even if they weren't acting out a main part. We even had a taste of our own last supper, including wine (grape juice) and bread.

Year 5 are very grateful for their awesome trip and we had a great time!



Lily and Evalyn

## **Spectacular Sports**

At Claygate Primary School we have been very busy doing several different sports.

In Year 2, there have been two tournaments football and netball. Year 1 participated in multisport where they had a go at athletic activities.

Over this term, Key Stage 2 have taken part in many different leagues, tournaments and matches. They have played football, netball, cricket, dodgeball and swimming.

Years 4-6 ran a stunning cross-country where our school was very successful and finished 4th. We also entered a football and netball leagues for boys and girls where everyone played fantastically. More recently, the year 3's and 4's played in a tournament and the girls came 3rd and the boys came 4th.

Henry C and Mei R









