

# Newsletter



20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

To date lessons and learning; our core business has continued, although with smaller classes in some cases. We have still had a great week of learning with some super poetry recitals and performances.

On Saturday we had our fabulous annual Elbridge cross country event near Garson's Farm. This was made possible by our team of volunteers as usual, coordinated and organised by our very own and very fabulous Mrs Gee - thank you all! The children shone, challenged themselves and showed a great team spirit alongside a steely determination. We were so pleased to run alongside 13 other local schools and be awarded second place!

I observed our reception children's awe and wonder at the ducklings antics (that's mostly the adults though) and then today, excited to learn about 3D shape and their enthusiasm in making 3D shapes or hunting for them around their indoor and outdoor classrooms ...absolutely uplifting! Both Willow and Holly Class use mathematical arrays for their self-register and explained so clearly in assembly how this helps them to count quickly! KS1 have rearranged their classrooms into mathematical arrays too and staff are referring to these in their everyday routines after experiencing this through our participation in Surrey Maths Hub!

Scoutability went ahead before our restrictions began and the children delighted in learning how to ride a scooter safely and even some new techniques. This is a great new initiative for CPS, linked to our WOW, Walking to School initiative <https://www.livingstreets.org.uk>



## [WOW - the year-round walk to school challenge](https://www.livingstreets.org.uk)

Our groundbreaking walk to school challenge, now in its 20th year, rewards primary school pupils who walk to school at least once a week with a monthly collectible badge.

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and many of the children said they now wish to challenge themselves to scoot and even cycle more often!

Year 4 of course are relieved their residential trip has not been cancelled and they can look forward to this in the summer term; even sunnier walks and picnics to enjoy I am sure! As this now will run 6-9th June, the children will return in time for INSET day to recover from all their fun on Friday 10th! Perfect!

We hope you and your loved ones remain safe and healthy. As we face the difficult challenge of responding to COVID-19 our thoughts go out to those affected by this event and we send heartfelt thanks to the healthcare workers, local communities and governments around the world working to contain this unprecedented situation.

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## Reigate Cross Country

Report by Eva, Hawthorn class

On Saturday the 7th March 23 girls and boys represented our school in the Reigate Cross Country. It was a challenging run and extremely muddy. We did the best we could and it was a very tough race but all enjoyed it, having a lot of fun.



## Football



A huge congratulations to the Claygate A team for giving a sterling performance against Long Ditton St Mary's in a fingernail biting semi-final. The match went all the way to penalties and unfortunately ended 2-1 to the opposition. Shout out to Kaii for being awarded man of the match after saving many chances at the back. The words from Mrs Gee saying 'defend for your life' really kept the team motivated throughout the match.



On Friday 6th March Claygate Primary School played Esher Church in the girls football semi final. Well done to everybody who played-it was an amazing match! 1 brilliant goal was scored by Emelia, who was in defence and 2 scored by me making a total of 3-0. Well done again to all of the A team girls- we are looking forward to the final on Wednesday 25th March.

Report by Catriona, Cedar

## Celebrating Success

Amos in Oak Class has achieved his Stage 2 swimming badge. Well Done Amos!



## Rugby

On Friday 13th March children from year 4 and 6 took part in a rugby tournament at Cobham Rugby Club. Year 4 had 6 matches, winning them all and Year 6 had 3 matches, again winning all 3. The tournament was about sport values so there were no winners. However the children had great fun, representing the school with great pride.



## Esher District Cross Country



On Saturday 14th March 35 children from Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the annual Cross Country event at West End Common. Despite the very muddy conditions it was a very exciting event with Claygate producing a great performance. Well done to Sofia in Year 4 who came 3rd in her race and was awarded a bronze medal.

Overall Claygate came 2nd out of 11 schools, which is a fantastic achievement. Well done to all those who took part.

## Netball

On Wednesday 11th March our netball A team had their final league match at home against St Paul's. It was a very exciting match with both teams playing really well. However it was a victory to St Paul's, 7-4. Well done to all those that played. They all enjoyed the match.

