



CVPS NEWS

December 2021

Welcome!

Welcome to the CVPS December newsletter!

It has been another very busy month across the school and the excitement of the upcoming Christmas holidays has been visible everywhere. The children worked hard on their nativity and carol rehearsals, resulting in videos for all year groups, which we hope you enjoy watching together. Our Reindeer Run has also taken place over the last two weeks for all year groups, helping raise money for St. Catherine's Hospice. Thank you so much for all your kind donations towards such a worthy cause.

At this point, September seems like a distant memory as we come to the end of a long, but productive term. The children have worked incredibly hard in classes across the school and we are very proud of their ongoing resilience and determination. The next two weeks will now hopefully give everyone a chance to enjoy much needed time with families and loved ones.

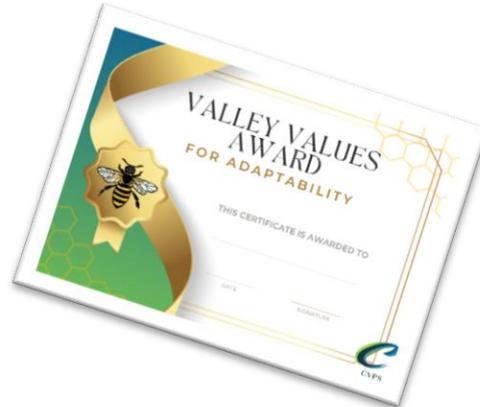
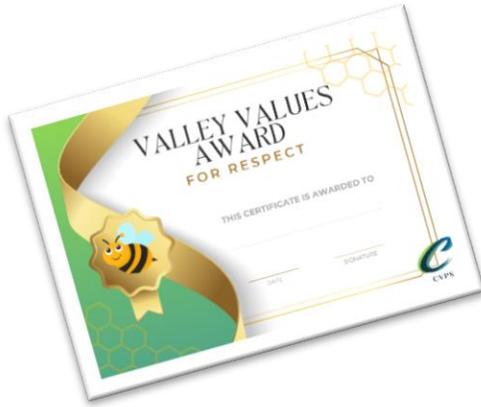
On behalf of myself and all of the staff here at CVPS, I would like to wish everyone an enjoyable holiday, a wonderful Christmas to those celebrating and a happy new year. We look forward to seeing everyone back in 2022!

B Badge Awards in December

Class	29.11.21			6.12.21		13.12.21		
Rabbits	Finn		Shalini	Lia	Ronak	Sade		Rian
Hedgehogs	Tiam		Sophie	Henry	Anthony	Abigail		Florence
Squirrels	Maya		Kaira	Isabelle	Chester	Oscar		Alyssa
1B	Knox		Luke	Precious	Eli	Sara		Jocelyn
1C	Noah T		Mia	Oscar	Alisha	Alice		Devanshi
1S	Chloe		Sienna	Aoife	Louisa	Luke		Arthur
2W	Aria		Isabella	Maryum	Kian	Toby		Frankie
2F	Kiyen		Oliver	Kenan	Beth	Yuehua		Avianna
2K	Oliver		Poppy	Dominic	Chloe	Willow		Ariyan
3G						Demi		Bella
3H	Ilakkiyan		Leyth	Jude	Owen	Saanvi	Jude	Elsie
3C	Julia	Theo P	Hendrix	Toby	Truly	Max		Sophie
4L	Tommy		Finley	Teegan	Florence	Daniel		Madison
4S	Ezekiel		Lillian	Austin	Noah	Isabella		Cinar
4P	Cherry		Henry	Lenny	Isaac	Ella		Delila
5H	Alani		Robyn	Dylan	TJ	Raya		Liam
5S	Isobel			TJ	Tillie	Emilio		Rosie-Mae
5O	Zara		Zinedine	Ava	Matthew	Clara		Manahil
6S	Daniel		Katelyn	Holly	Henry			
6J	Hannah		Oliver	Niamh	Mason			
6M	Amelia		Riah					



End of Term Awards



Award	Name	Class	Award	Name	Class
Morality	Isla	Rabbits	Enquiry	Phoebe	Squirrels
	Zoha	1B		Harry	1B
	Talia	2W		Sebastian	2W
	Demi	3G		Ilakkiyan	3H
	Sienna-Sofia	4S		Ethan	4S
	Liam	5S		Eliza	5O
Respect	Lamisa	Hedgehogs	Resilience	Billie	Rabbits
	Jack	1S		Chloe B	1C
	Kiyan	2F		Oliver	2K
	Adam	3H		Jasmine	3C
	Harvey	4P		Caitlin	4P
	Raya	5H		Kian	5O
Communication	Arthur	Squirrels	Thoughtfulness	Abdllah	Hedgehogs
	Jayden M	1C		Ruby	1B
	Amber	2F		Emily	2K
	Lottie	3G		Freddie	3C
	Shahina	4P		Olivia	4L
	Logan	5S		Oviya	5O
Cooperation	Isabelle	Squirrels	Adaptability	Anaysh	Hedgehogs
	Luca	1C		Herbie	1S
	Darcie	2F		Jenson	2K
	Rae	3C		Isabella	3G
	Amaya	4S		Cayden	4L
	Summer	5S		Robyn	5H

Year 6 Awards

Award	Name	Class
Charlotte Wicker Award	Emily	6M
Charlotte Wicker Award Runner Up	Sam	6J
Charlotte Wicker Award Runner Up	Amber	6S
Writing	Spencer	6M
Mathematics	Oliver H	6J
Music	Lilian	6S

Award	Name	Class
Sport	Hughey	6M
Science	Joshua	6S
Reading	Harry H	6J
Friendship	Henry	6S
Computing	Kashyani	6M
Art	James	6J



Kindness Award

At the end of November, Isabella in 4S was awarded the kindness award for looking after another child who had fallen over and was upset. She invited them to play with her to cheer them up! Well done Isabella, you definitely deserve the kindness award!



Quiz Club

On 23rd November, 4 children from KS2 took part in the General Knowledge Area Heat of a Nationwide Quiz Club. There were 8 schools from the local area that took part in the first round, along with thousands of other schools across the country doing the same, all hoping to win a spot at the National Finals in June 2022. We are delighted to say that our team at Chipstead Valley won the Area Heat with 1,570 points. They worked fantastically well together, answering questions on a wide range of subjects, some of which even the adults in the room struggled with!

We were so incredibly proud of them and want to wish them the best of luck for the National finals in June next year.

Well done to our team, Katherine, Amar, Liam and Jake.



Attendance

As you know, it is a legal requirement for all children to be in school. This is more important than ever in order to minimise, as far as possible, any longer-term impact of the pandemic on our children's education, wellbeing and wider development. Please can we take this time to remind all parents to arrange appointments out of school hours and ensure your children are at school on time.

Every week during our celebration assemblies, we share class attendance with the children. Each week, the winners with the highest attendance in KS1 and KS2 are rewarded with extra play. Below is a list of the class attendance winners for this month. We will share the class attendance winners in every monthly newsletter. At the end of the term, the class with the highest attendance receive our impressive attendance trophy!

	29/11 – 3/12/21	6/12 – 10/12/21	13/12 – 17/12/21
KS1			
1st	94.9% 1C	94.4% 2W	91.8% 1S & 2W
2nd	94.3% HH	93.7% SQ	
3rd	93.9% SQ	93.4% 2K	90.8% 1C
KS2			
1st	97.5% 4L	93.1% 4L	92.2% 3H
2nd	96.5% 3G	91.7% 4P	92% 4L
3rd	94.7% 5O	90.9% 5O	90.8% 5H

Autumn Term Winners	
1st	95.5% Hedgehogs
2nd	95.4% 1C
3rd	95.3% 6S



EYFS Update

Nursery

There was much excitement in class on 1st December as we had a surprise delivery of a pair of elves. They arrived by hot air balloon and knocked very loudly on our Nursery front door! Since their arrival, the cheeky elves have been causing much mischief each night in the nursery classroom. This has delighted the children every morning. Some of their tricks can be seen in the photos.

The pre-school children have been marking off the days until the Christmas holidays using advent calendars, which has been great for number recognition and counting skills.

We have also been looking at Winter Animals and their habitats. The children have had a go at making homes with the magnetic shapes and small world animals. The children worked together and used their communication and language skills to make a narrative for their pretend play.

We also had the opportunity to play in the post office role play area, the children loved weighing the parcels and 'typing' address labels for the letters on the keyboard.

The children worked very hard learning their Christmas songs with actions and performed beautifully to parents outside, despite the rain and the wind. We are super proud of all them!

To support their understanding of why we celebrate Christmas, we have been learning about the Nativity story and looking at our crib scene display and role playing with the characters. The children have also participated in many Christmas themed crafts and activities this month with glitter and stars in abundance.



Wishing all our Nursery families a very happy and peaceful Christmas break and look forward to seeing you all again in January.



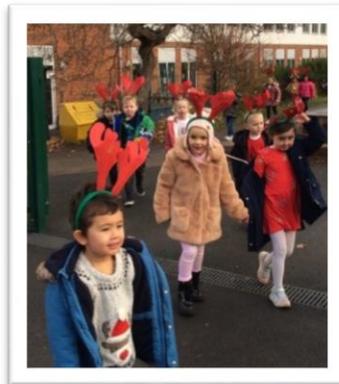
Reception

It's that magical time of year in Reception! We have been working very hard on our wonderful nativity play entitled 'A Bundle of Joy'. The children sang beautifully and looked amazing in their fantastic costumes. Many children had speaking parts and they worked very hard learning and performing their lines. We hope you will all enjoy the nativity as much as we all have! Special thanks to Mrs Brooks who has worked tirelessly filming and editing all the video clips of 'A Bundle of Joy'.



All three classes have been working hard and learning about 'Stick Man' by Julia Donaldson. The children enjoyed drawing pictures of Stick Man as well as learning all about his adventures. We have also been making Christmas decorations to adorn the three classrooms. The rooms look very festive and the children enjoyed creating paper chains, paper stars and glitter pictures!

Finally, the children all took part in the Reindeer Run to raise money for St Catherine's Hospice. Each child adorned a set of antlers and had great fun. We would like to thank you for your support this term as we are so proud of the children in their first term of primary school.



We are all sad to say goodbye to Mrs Suri who leaves us at the end of term. We are grateful for all the skills and creativity she has brought to the school and the children. We wish her well on her new adventures!

On behalf of the whole Reception Team we would like to wish you a fantastic Christmas and a wonderful new year!



Treehouse Update



In Treehouse, we have been learning about winter. We read *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson and made some amazing stick people using pipe cleaners and sticks. We also practised using positional language, exploring where *Stick Man* was hiding!

We have also been getting ready for Christmas. We had lots of fun decorating the Christmas tree – we loved the lights and the sparkly silver baubles! We have been singing Christmas songs and had a lovely morning making glitter snowflakes and stained glass window decorations.



This month we have also had a busy week of learning at home. We were able to access our learning through Tapestry; Mrs Toovey and Mrs Fisher recorded some fun stories, bucket time sessions and different leaning activities. They had fun making the videos and we enjoyed watching them!

We have also been reading *Baby Goes to Market* by Atinuke. We used the story as a hook for some maths activities. We have done lots of counting and placing items into baskets! We really enjoyed making Chin Chin biscuits, and just like in the story, we took them home to try!



We had a visit from Chef Barry last week. Barry joined in with some of our Circle Time songs and we taught him some new ones too! We have been taking it in turns to dress up just like him!

We have been doing lots of messy play; experimenting with different textures and working on our fine motor skills. We really enjoyed the 'moon sand' that Mrs Fisher made and had a great time cutting shapes and mark making.



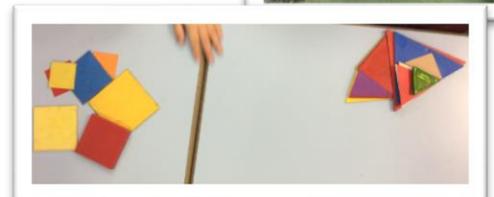
Key Stage 1 Update

Year 1

In the final weeks leading up to Christmas we have been very busy. We are coming to the end of the first term of Year 1 and we have been doing some very exciting things. We took part in a Reindeer Run for charity, some children even beat their personal best of how many laps they could do round the track! We also had Christmas parties where we played lots of games to celebrate the last few days of term.



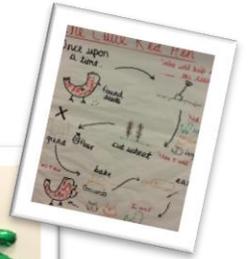
In our maths lessons we have finished our lessons on subtraction and moved on to looking at shapes. We have sorted different 2D and 3D shapes into groups based on the number of sides and faces they have.





In English we have been retelling the story of the Little Red Hen using talk for writing. We made up actions to help us remember the story and used the actions to help us write it. The children did so well remembering the story from beginning to end.

The children have been brilliant this term, they have settled in to Year 1 life and are making huge progress. We look forward to seeing what 2022 has in store for the Year 1's!



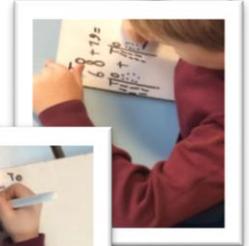
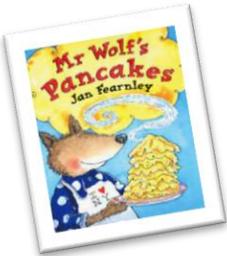
Year 2

Throughout the final few weeks of the Autumn term, Year 2 were working incredibly hard and had a few, cheeky 'elves' visiting, who were watching their every move!

Year 2 were writing their own versions of Mr Wolf's Pancakes and had a variety of new and interesting characters join him on his journey throughout the story. In math's, the children worked tirelessly to understand addition and within the wider curriculum, they learnt all about different faiths and materials.

In addition to all of this, they worked extremely hard to learn a number of songs for the Carol Concert. As we are sure you all would agree, they did a fantastic job! We can't believe that the

first term has gone already but we are so proud of all the children for their continuous hard work and resilience. We look forward to seeing them all again after the Christmas break!



Key Stage 2 Update

Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic month! We can't believe that it is now the end of the autumn term. We are so proud of the year group; they have settled into the new academic year and have worked hard to achieve their very best.

In maths, we have continued to focus on multiplication and division and have looked at three, four and eight times tables. In the last two weeks, we have been consolidating our learning over the term. The children have also had the opportunity to complete some mathematical journaling and have taken their learning outdoors, which was linked to English.

In English, the children wrote a set of instructions on how to make a pizza. Again, this was linked to our Roman topic. The children loved making their own pizza and it was fantastic to see the children taste vegetables that they hadn't before. Peppers and olives are now firm favourites!





As part of the run up to Christmas, in Spanish, the children have been making Christmas boxes as well as reindeer book marks. They also took part in a reindeer run in support of St Catherine's Hospice. The children performed beautifully at St Aidan's church and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

We wish you all a safe and wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

Year 4

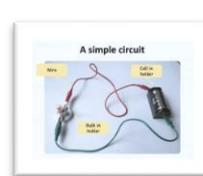
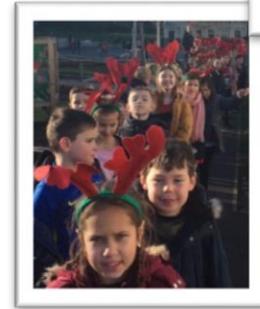
During December, Year 4 have continued their Science learning; we have been making simple circuits and drawing the correct symbols in our circuit diagrams. We linked this to our English and have created clear and concise instructions for how to make a simple circuit.

In our Maths lessons, we have been learning about measures and have been converting between metres and centimetres. We have enjoyed practical measuring lessons and have been finding the perimeter of different shapes.

We have been really impressed with the children during PE lessons, as they have been working well as a team and have developed the skills needed for passing and controlling the ball during their invasion games.

In our Wellbeing sessions, we have been exploring how to handle conflict and developing our understanding of where we belong. Take a look at our Wellbeing floorbook!

Finally, we have been enjoying the festive season by creating our own snowflakes, winter pastel pictures and describing our own mythical Christmas creatures. The Year 4 team would like to wish everyone a restful Christmas and a very happy 2022! We look forward to seeing you in January for our next topic – Ancient Egypt!





Year 5

Within English, we have been looking at the fantasy picture book 'The Lost Thing' by Shaun Tan. We began our unit of work with the arrival of an interesting crate of lost things and random objects. We discussed where they could have come from and the children came up with some very imaginative suggestions! We have loved exploring the beautiful illustrations in the book and we used these as inspiration to create our own lost things!



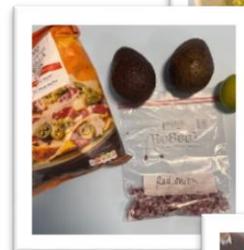
We carefully thought of ways to care for our lost things, focusing on including modal verbs and a range of sentence structures in our writing. Year 5 have also worked incredibly hard on rewriting and illustrating their own versions of 'The Lost Thing', drawing upon all the key writing skills and techniques we have developed over the Autumn term. The results were outstanding! In our final week, we have been creating Christmas and winter acrostic poems and illustrating them.

In Maths, we have been looking at the new topic Statistics. The children have learnt to read and interpret pictograms, bar charts and line graphs. They have also been working on reading and answering worded problems on timetables. In the final week before Christmas, the children completed the maths Winter Wonderland challenge! They

used their mathematical knowledge to create their own Winter Wonderland theme park. The children thought about the area and space of their park, the costs of running their park and how much they will charge for tickets and other amenities. This activity encouraged the children to use what they have learnt in a fun and exciting way!

As part of our Discovery topic, "Viva Mexico" the children have enjoyed learning more about Mexican culture and the Mayans. Within our DT project, we worked as a class to make guacamole! The children loved helping cut the avocados, lime and mash it all together. Afterwards, Year 5 children tried their home-made guacamole with tortilla chips as well as trying some salsa too. We were very impressed with the children for trying new foods!

In preparation for the Winter bazaar, the children were lucky to have the help of our school gardener Mrs Rogers. Between us, we made 60 potted plants and 50 table decorations! The children loved making these and did an excellent job. On the evening of the bazaar, we had children volunteer to help run our stall. These children were in charge of taking money, giving change and drumming up customers. Our stall was a sellout success and we sold everything! Thank you to all parents and carers for your help and support with this event.





Year 6

Winter Scenes

In Year 6 we have been getting festive with oil pastels. The children used their knowledge of light and shade to create snowmen in the moonlight. We looked at how to create the effect of a 3D sphere and refined our blending skills. They look beautiful!

The Year 6 children were also very busy creating 3D snowflakes to decorate the school corridors. The school looks very festive!

Windrush

We have been looking at the years beyond WW2 this half term and have focused on the arrival of The Empire Windrush in England. The children planned letters of complaint based on the mistreatment of people during this time.

Communication

COVID

If your child tests positive for COVID between Friday 17th December at 2pm and Monday 20th December, please could you email the school at safeguarding@chipstead.croydon.sch.uk to inform us. This way we will be able to communicate this information with any possible contacts to suggest they take a PCR test. Please note that the office will be closed and therefore telephone messages will not be picked up during the Christmas holidays. Many thanks for your support with this.

Alongside Scopay emails, class emails and our monthly newsletter, we also have a school website and Twitter account:

Website

Our website www.chipsteadvalley.com is regularly updated. You can view past newsletters and keep up to date with clubs etc. by visiting the 'Parent Information' section.



Facebook

As part of our commitment to sustainability, we have a facebook group. Take a look and follow us on our [CVPS Reduce, Recycle and Reuse - facebook page](#).

Twitter

As always, you can follow us on Twitter!

@ChipsteadPri

We also have a new account for our Connecting Classrooms project with Nepal: @WasteUnited

Padlet

Our United Against Waste project with schools in Nepal is recorded on Padlet. [Click here to visit our pages](#).

Upcoming Dates

Date	Event	Additional Information
17.12.21	End of Term	Finish 2pm
4.1.22	Inset Day	
5.1.22	Return to School	
12.1.22	PTFA Meet & Greet	6.30pm