



CVPS NEWS

July 2022

Heads Welcome!

Welcome to July's newsletter. As we reach the end of another year, I want to thank the parents for their continuous support and kindness. I would like to thank the staff for the hard work and dedication they show the children and school each day and of course our wonderful children! No two days are the same in a school and the children never fail to make us proud and to make us smile.

Though only 3 weeks in July at school, a lot has happened. Years 2 and 6 performed beautifully in their productions of 'The Rockpool' and 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'. Huge effort went into making these fantastic and they truly were!

We welcomed our new nursery and reception parents to open evenings to meet and greet us and each other, which was very successful. Our year 6s also received their SATs results - what an amazing achievement, especially after the pandemic. We are so proud of you all.

This final week has seen our leavers assembly, where we say farewell to our year 6 cohort as they embark on the next stage of their education. We wish them all the very best for the future!

There is nothing left for me to do but wish you all a wonderful and restful summer holidays - I look forward to seeing you all in September!

Kylie Grimes – Paralympic Visit

As we mentioned in our June Newsletter, we had a wonderfully successful visit from Kylie Grimes, paralympic gold medalist, last month.



Children were sponsored and have raised an amazing **£2,637** for the school, the money raised will be used on services and equipment to promote physical activity for our children. An equally fantastic **£1,758** was raised to support Olympic Athletes!

Thank you for your wonderful support, we really hope Kylie helped inspire the next generation of Olympians!



B Badge Awards in July

Class	04.07.22		11.07.22	
Rabbits	Mason	Rian		
Hedgehogs	Matilda	Arman		
Squirrels	Phoebe	Harry		
1B	Eli	Blake		
1C	Ethan	Layla		
1S	Luke	Sienna		
2W	Benjamin	Henry		
2F	Amber	Cora		
2K	Winnie	Amelia		
3G	Harley	Masood	Sophie	Isabella
3H	Emillia-Rose	Arthur	Jason	Oliver
3C	Truly	George	Tito	Jasmine P
4L	Oliver	Arjan	Sofia	Adam
4S	Ethan S	Amaya	Austin	Dhaksha
4P	Mollie	Harvey	Felix	Shivani
5H	Aiden	Alani	James	Eshan
5S	George	Iris	Camron	Logan
5O	Mabel	Alexis		

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. Here 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!

Should your child be absent from school, it is important that this is reported to the school office before 9am. If the office staff are unable to receive a response concerning absence this may be referred to our Attendance Officer and Safeguarding Lead.

	4/7 – 8/7/22	11/7 – 15/7/22	18/7 – 22/7/22
KS1			
1st	98.7% (2K)	98% (1B)	93.3% (HH & 1B)
2nd	98% (1B)	96.8% (2W)	
3rd	97.3% (2F)	96.7% (2K)	92.2% (RAB)
KS2			
1st	98% (4P)	97.6% (6J)	93.9% (4S)
2nd	97.2% (5O)	97.2% (5H)	93.3% (5S)
3rd	95% (4S)	96.7% (4S)	91.7% (4P)

End of Year Winners	
1st	95.9% (6S)
2nd	95.8% (2K)
3rd	95% (2W)



End of Year Awards 2021 – 2022



Award	Name	Class	Award	Name	Class
Morality	Joshua	Ladybirds	Enquiry	Joni	Butterflies
	Bobby	Squirrels		Noah	Hedgehogs
	Noah	1C		Oliver	1C
	Avianna	2F		Edwards	2F
	Zaviyar	3H		George	3G
	Caleb	4L		Adam	4L
	Iris	5S		Zara	5O
Respect	Joshua	Bumblebees	Resilience	Arlo	Butterflies
	Joshua	Rabbits		Rudy	Squirrels
	Chloe	1B		Arthur	1S
	Winnie	2K		Sam	2W
	Sophie	3C		Connor	3G
	Lillian	4S		Zohra	4S
	Camron	5S		Emilio	5S
Communication	Joey	Caterpillars	Thoughtfulness	Paige	Caterpillars
	Kiara	Hedgehogs		Muawwaz	Rabbits
	Aleeza	1S		Rose	1C
	Lyra	2K		Jamil	2W
	Charlotte	3H		Elsie	3H
	Zaine	4S		Serena	4P
	Yasmin	5H		Robyn	5H
Cooperation	Olivia	Bumblebees	Adaptability	Yutkthi	Ladybirds
	Luca	Hedgehogs		Shirisha	Rabbits
	Matilda	1S		Jake	1B
	Kayen	2K		Aria	2W
	Ben	3G		Zion	3C
	Divisha	4L		Aesha	4P
	Matthew	5O		Reuben	5O

Year 6 Awards

Award	Name	Class
Charlotte Wicker Award	Lottie	6M
Charlotte Wicker Award Runner Up	Ronnie	6J
Charlotte Wicker Award Runner Up	Mikka	6S
Writing	Lacey	6J
Mathematics	Alesha	6M
Kindness Award	Kamal	6M
Kindness Award Runner Up	Oliver	6S
Kindness Award Runner Up	Jake	6S

Award	Name	Class
Music	Kaitlyn	6J
Sport	Toby	6S
Science	JJ	6M
Reading	Mason	6J
Friendship	Isaac	6M
Drama	Aharan	6S
Art	Riah	6M

School Council Update

This term, the School council have been working hard discussing the following issues;

- School lunches
- Playtime equipment
- Our curriculum

School lunches - The children came up with a range of questions they felt were useful and relevant to help us review our current school lunches. They then asked these questions within their own classes and wrote down responses. The children were incredibly motivated at the prospect of growing fruit and vegetables on site that can be used in our lunches. We will be working with the Eco Committee in September to try and make this happen!

Playtime equipment – School council have done extensive research into what we already have at school and what each year group would like to use at playtimes. They then used the Chromebooks in our school council sessions to research the cost and availability of these products. The children will be presenting what they have found out to Mrs Rackham and discuss what they will be allowed to order for our new school year.

Curriculum - School Council have had a great discussion about our curriculum. They talked what they enjoy learning, what they would like to do more of and areas they feel they would like to see some changes in. In our first week back in September, they will be creating a questionnaire to send out to all pupils in the school so that they have a better understanding on how all pupils feel about their current curriculum. The children then hope to present their finding to the leadership team.

I want to thank all the school council members for their hard work and dedication so far this year, I have been so impressed with their ideas, contributions and enthusiasm, I'm looking forward to more of the same in September after they all have a well-deserved rest!

We are however sadly saying farewell to 3 of our School Council members from year 6. I would like to take this opportunity to say an extra big thank you and a huge well done to Kamal Brown, Mikka Williams and Ronnie Southby, we are going to miss you so much in September!

Y6 Sports Day

Our final Sports Day took place on Thursday 7th July with our Year 6 children. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the morning which included class carousel activities, sprint races, the obstacle relay, target throw and the shuttle relay. The fastest 8 boys and 8 girls competed in the highly anticipated Sprint Challenge which was incredibly close! Congratulations to Charlie and Sadie for winning the Sprint Challenge. The Sports Day events ended with a thrilling Tug of War event. The highlight for all was the parent Tug of War, it was utterly brilliant! Thank you for cheering your children on and for being such good sports!



Quiz Club



On Monday 4th July Mrs Broad was lucky enough to accompany the 2022 Quiz Club team to the National final. They had already had fantastic success at the regional heats that took place at Woodcote Primary School which saw them take 1st place. It was because of this success that they then were invited to take part in the Nationals.

They travelled by train and tube to The Light Auditorium, which is located just by Euston station. There were around 30 other schools that had also made it to the final so the heat was on! Our team were simply amazing, they worked so well together, they were strategic and took everything in their stride, we have never felt so proud of them. Mrs Rackham, Mrs Cherot, Mrs Felton and their parents were cheering them all on from the side-lines. We sat and watched in awe at how they knew most of the answers, we were pretty sure we wouldn't have answered as many questions correctly!



They didn't drop from the top ten throughout the whole quiz, even making it to joint first position with only 5 questions to go, it was a nail-biting final round! When the quiz ended, we were so proud to see that our team had come 6th, what an amazing achievement. We want to say a huge well done and congratulations to our 2022 Quiz Team, Jake, Liam, Amar and Katherine.



Fruit Cage

In our April Newsletter, we shared the exciting news that after a lengthy application process, we were successful in receiving a grant on behalf of Whole Kids Foundation. As we already grow a lot of vegetables, herbs and plants on our school site, we were keen to transform part of an unused section of our outdoor area into a growing space specifically for fruit. Using the grant money, we designed and have made our very own fruit cage! It is a large wooden structure with netting secured around it.

Inside the cage, we have high, wooden planters and some lower planting beds to allow us to grow raspberries, strawberries, blackberries, blackcurrants and gooseberries. It was important for us to have a space where all children can access it from Nursery to Year 6 so it has a wide walkway, two large doors and turning areas for wheelchairs and walking frames. As you can see from the photographs, it is not quite finished yet as we plan to paint the planters and decorate part of the structure but we are really pleased with how it looks and how it enhances our outdoor space.

We are really looking forward to seeing children making full use of the space in autumn term and beyond!

A big thank you to Mrs Rogers, Miss Mighalls and Mrs Cherot. Without their hard work, it would not have been possible.

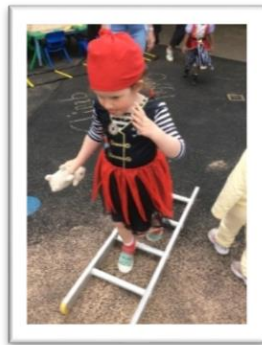
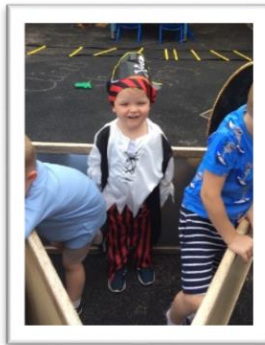
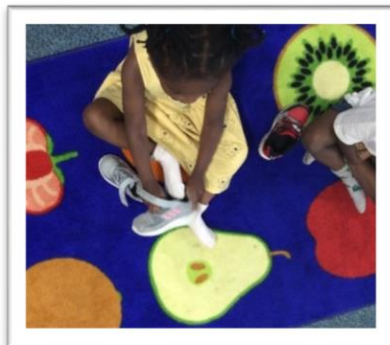


EYFS Update

Nursery

Nursery have had a wonderful month of end of year excitement! We celebrated our Pirate Day with a fun-packed schedule. We had a fantastic time with a variety of engaging activities including, role playing in our pirate galleon, digging for treasure in the sand, fishing in the water tray and climbing the rigging. We even had Mrs Rackham coming to walk the plank over crocodile infested waters!

This month we have been focusing on getting the preschool aged children ready for reception. We have been having a go at independently getting changed for PE, taking our shoes off and on and doing up shirt buttons. We have also been working on our comfortable pen hold, writing our names and lots of fun phonics games to prepare us for reading next year. Well done children for working so hard on these important skills.



It was wonderful to see so many of our families at our Teddy Bears Picnic afternoon. The children performed their end of year song 'Down There Under the Sea' beautifully complete with actions. We then enjoyed some time having a picnic and an ice lolly with our favourite teddy. Thank you, parents, for all your help and support this year. We will miss all the children moving up and look forward to welcoming our Caterpillar group back in September.



Reception

What a lovely, busy and exciting last few weeks we've had in Reception. We have been learning about Africa, using the text 'Giraffes Can't Dance'. We have enjoyed African music, dancing and art. We made some beautiful necklaces using paper plates and vibrant colours. During this topic we also learnt about height in maths. Using giraffes, we ordered them from shortest to tallest.



We were very excited to welcome Paralympic Gold Medallist Kelly Grimes. She won her medal for Wheelchair Rugby with Team GB at Tokyo in 2021. We all took part in exercises and then listened to her story. It was a great experience for us all and very inspiring.



Our trip to Hobbledown was an enormous success. Thank you to all those involved in the organisation, running of the trip and to our parent volunteers. The children loved the day, despite the heat! Favourite moments on the trip were the soft play, the Imaginarium and the meerkats! The caves, pools and tunnels in the Imaginarium were amazing. The water play was perfect in the heat and the meerkats really put on a fantastic show when they were sung to!



Our final topic this year is all about Year 1 and transitioning the children smoothly. We have interviewed the current Year 1 children and found out lots of information about our year ahead. We can't wait for the Year 1 trips to RHS Wisley and Drusillas Park, more maths, a new classroom and more writing. We have written 'a wish' for our year ahead and also written a reflection piece about the things we have learnt and enjoyed this year. We have also been having circle time to discuss any emotions surrounding the change ahead and celebrating the successful year we have had.

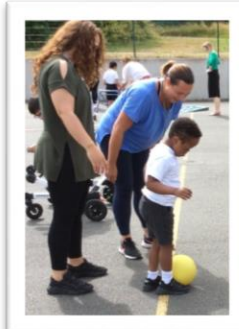
All of us in the Reception Team would like to extend our sincere thanks for all of your support this year. We hope you and your children have a wonderful summer!

Treehouse

July was a really busy month for Treehouse! We had our Sports Day and our school trip to Hobbledown.

Sports Day

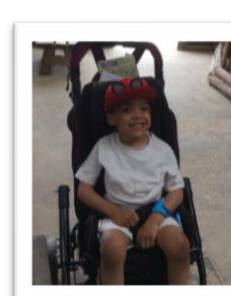
Treehouse Class had their first ever school Sports Day! The activities were amazing - boccia, new age curling, target kick and through the hoop. We also took part in a balance race and a water/jelly race! Each and every one of our children joined in and loved showed off the skills we have been learning this year in PE with Mr Thompson. It was wonderful to have parents, the School Council and some of Year Four and Six cheering us all on! The children (and adults) had a fantastic day and we are so very proud of them all!



Hobbledown

Our children loved every minute of the Hobbledown trip! We had a guided tour of the Animal Enclosure and saw giant rabbits and a turtle. We loved all of the farm animals and the camels - we even saw a vet!!

We visited the Imaginarium - an interactive sensory room. We climbed through some tunnels and got to change the colour of the animals on the walls using our hands. It was great fun!

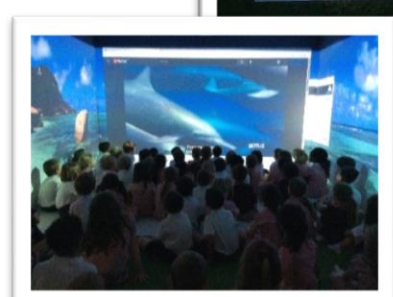


Key Stage 1 Update

Year 1

In the lead up to the summer, Year 1 have been up to lots of exciting things. In maths, we have been looking at numbers up to 100. We have been partitioning numbers into their 10's and 1's and have also had a go at ordering numbers from biggest to smallest.

In English, we finished our non-chronological reports about dolphins. The children have loved our 'Roars, Paws and Animal Claws' topic and even made 'Top Trump' cards on the animals we had researched. The children loved deciphering whether an animal was an herbivore, carnivore or an omnivore.



We had a wonderful time on our trip to Drusillas Park. The children got wet in the splash park, explored the different animals and even jumped aboard the 'Safari Express'. The children have had a fantastic year and it has been a pleasure to watch them grow. We wish them all the best in Year 2.

Year 2

Throughout July, the children in Year 2 have been so busy, working hard on their amazing production, Rockpool. The children worked tirelessly to learn their lines, a number of catchy songs and their corresponding actions. In addition to this, the children made a number of the props and decorations, that were used to decorate the hall for their performances. The hall looked incredible and we are so proud of the children for all their hard work. We would also like to thank the parents for all their support with this as well.

Throughout the second half of the summer term, the children's topic was Ocean Explorers. They learnt all about Christopher Columbus and created a number of interesting fact files based on him. This linked well to our school trip, where all of the children went to Goring beach. What a brilliant trip this was! During the day, the children wrote postcards to family members (which they decorated themselves) and they had the opportunity to post these. Following on from this, the children and staff had a wonderful day taking part in a number of activities on the beach. This included, building sandcastles, collecting shells, making pebble towers, jumping in the waves in the shore line and enjoying an ice lolly. Not only did members of the public comment on how wonderful the trip looked and how well behaved the children were but all day the teachers heard comments such as, "this is the best day ever!" and "I am having so much fun!" We couldn't have asked for a better day.

Overall, Year 2 have worked so hard not only throughout July but during their time in Year 2. As their first full year in school, since the pandemic the progress that has been made by all has been wonderful to see. Well done Year 2, we are so proud of you!



Key Stage 2 Update

Year 3

In English, at the beginning of the term we enjoyed a visit from the author Simon Murray who inspired the children to produce narratives accompanied by their own illustrations of his character the Icky Doo Dah. Later in the term, we used the Old English story of 'Beowulf' as a stimulus for the children's writing. They enjoyed using descriptive language to describe Grendel's lair and producing a rather blood thirsty wanted poster!

In maths, the children have completed the unit of work on weight and mass followed by volume and capacity. This has involved practical activities where the children have worked in groups to explore word problems involving measuring using appropriate units. They have also had the opportunity to further enforce calculation strategies and mental maths.



The children have also thoroughly enjoyed investigating shadows, which related to the light topic and magnets, which was part of the Forces unit. Sports Day was a success and it was lovely to see so many of you cheering on the children. The children's rounders skills have been progressing very well this half term and have learnt the importance of team work in group games.

As the year draws to an end, we would like to reflect on all the wonderful achievements and highlights of the year. It has been our absolute pleasure to work with such a creative and hardworking cohort of children. The Year 3 team would like to thank you for all your support and encouragement this year, which has made our job even more rewarding.

We wish you and your children a happy and restful summer.



Year 4

The year four children started this month by researching the company, Cool Milk. They planned and wrote a persuasive letter to Cool Milk, requesting that the company refrain from using plastic straws altogether and use more environmentally friendly alternatives. They enjoyed researching the impact of plastic on the environment and identifying what can be done to help the environment. They also have had the privilege of being visited by the author, Octavia Loneragan. Octavia's books had a large emphasis on supporting positive change in the environment, which the children found engaging and insightful, as it had a clear link to our topic, 'Eco Heroes'.



In Maths, the children completed their topic of time. The children showed great perseverance with this topic, which we are very proud of them all for, as time can include some tricky concepts. We then started to look at angles and the children had fun completing different rotations outside. They will also be looking at triangles and different shapes in the lessons that lead up to the summer break.



During our science lessons, we have been looking at sound. The year four children conducted an excellent experiment on sound, where they discovered that foam tiles are the most suitable material to soundproof the music room. Thank you to everyone who donated plastic bottle lids to us! Our year group mosaic is now complete and the children really enjoyed making it. In computing, the children are continuing to create their 'sprites', which they will use in their own game.



Finally, the year four children have had the treat of watching the year two and year six end of year productions. Both productions were incredible and it was fantastic to see the talents of both the younger and older children.



Year 5

It has been another busy month in Year 5! We have been enjoying the warm weather and completing lots of outdoor activities and learning to make the most of the sunshine.

In D.T we have been busy creating rainforest biomes. We used natural resources to construct a rainforest environment. We worked collaboratively to make our biomes as realistic as possible and made sure to include the 3 important layers of the rainforest. This activity then allowed us to write a process diary in our English where we had to write our method including as much detail as possible.

We have been working hard in maths, where we have learnt lots about metric and imperial conversions. We found this topic interesting as we were able to relate what we were learning to real life. To demonstrate our understanding, at the end of the topic we were able to make conversion posters showcasing everything we learnt!

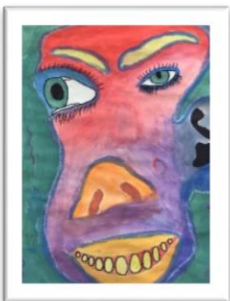
Science has kept us busy this month as we have been conducting a variety of experiments. Our first experiment was testing what conditions would allow cress seeds to grow the quickest. We had to consider what variable needed to change and stay the same and had to think carefully about how our investigation would be fair.

Our second investigation was observing the life cycle of a butterfly. We observed our caterpillars move through all stages of the cycle before it transformed into a beautiful butterfly! We were particularly intrigued when the butterflies became chrysalises as we were amazed by how the caterpillars formed their cocoon.

We have had a fantastic year in Year 5 and had lots of fun! All the children should be very proud of their hard work. We hope everyone has a fantastic summer holiday!

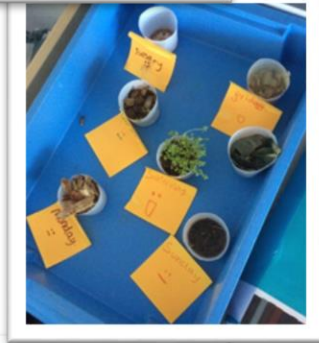
Year 6

Year 6 were busy this half term preparing for and performing 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'. We are sure that you'll all agree it was a spectacular performance. The atmosphere was great and the children worked their hardest to give a professional performance. Here are some of the highlights!



Picasso!

We have been learning about the artist Pablo Picasso! The children have all created their own portraits in his style using paint, pastels and pen. The results are amazing and they are very proud of the skills they have developed over the year.



Micro-Society

The children have been continuing to trade goods and run their societies. They have experienced conflict, resolution and best of all, they have had fun buying and selling their products! The children have learnt all about tax and interest rates, as well as employment laws and general rules of society. They have had a fantastic time! It's now time to total the profits of their businesses.



SATs Results!

Year 6 received their SATs results last week! We are incredibly proud of them. They have worked their hardest all year and have shown great resilience and commitment! Well done Year 6! We think you smashed it!

Upcoming Dates

Date	Event	Additional Information
01.09.22	Inset Day	
02.09.22	Inset Day	
05.09.22	School Reopens for children	Treehouse – Additional Inset
05.09.22	Treehouse Additional Inset	
06.09.22	Treehouse Additional Inset	



Communication

Alongside Scopay emails, text messaging, 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](#).

We know different families have been through a range of difficult circumstances. We are always here to help, so please do contact us if there is anything we can do to support you.

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Twitter

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