

CVPS NEWS

June 2022 **Heads Welcome!**

Welcome to our latest newsletter - I cannot believe we have reached July already! This last month has been absolutely jam-packed with events, trips and sports days and it has been so wonderful to see so many of you back on site, enjoying watching your children! Production rehearsals are in full swing in year 6 and year 2 performed theirs for the first time yesterday. It was incredible and the work the children have put in, shone through.

Our sponsored athletic event was hugely successful, with a considerable sum being raised. We are so grateful to all of you and the children for supporting such an important cause, whilst also raising money for sports resources in the school.

The next couple of weeks will see children meeting their new teachers and preparing to transition into their new year groups, which is an exciting time for them. We look forward to sharing more information regarding staffing for September, over the next week or so. In the meantime, I hope you enjoy the sunshine we are having and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Music Update

Wow! June has been a whirlwind of music-making and performing. We have so many children learning instruments now that we've had to split our traditional Summer Concert into two sections. On 16th June we had an evening concert on the outdoor stage for our children learning piano. Each child played their pieces and received rapturous applause.

On the 28th we held our main concert which included the choir, the orchestra and all our other instrumentalists demonstrating the wealth of talent in our school. It's wonderful to see all the hard work of tuition and practice come to fruition. It was a very poignant moment as the choir sang their final song 'Sing' with the backdrop of the setting sun.

Squeezed in between these two major concerts at school the KS2 choir rehearsed and then performed at the Fairfield Halls

with fifteen other schools in a huge choir concert. They really enjoyed singing a range of songs including 'Songs From The Movies' and James Bond Songs.



33 children from years 1 and 2 took part in the CSMA Festival of Music at Fairfield Halls. The event, organised by Croydon Music Service, was a wonderful success with the children sporting patriotic coloured outfits as we celebrated the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd through song. The KS1 Choir behaved

impeccably and sang their hearts out on topics such as the environment, our town of Croydon and the life of a bumblebee. Thank you so much to everyone who supported us during the rehearsal process. A lot of hard work went into transporting the children to the halls and Keston Primary school. We are so grateful for the support of our parents and staff, without whom the event could not have taken place. Well done to all of the children who took part and thank you for learning your songs and for being fantastic role models for our school!

It's been an incredibly busy time but so worth it. It really feels like we're back on track again, musically, after the last couple of years.

This is the perfect time to apply for your child to begin music lessons in school. We offer lessons on piano, guitar, violin, trumpet, clarinet, flute and drum kit. To apply for lessons please go here https://www.croydonmusicandarts.co.uk/music-lessons



Sports Day

The Nursery and Reception children had a fantastic time at our **EYFS Sports Day** – we would like to congratulate all children for their hard work in making Sports Day a huge success. Children participated in fun races such as egg and spoon and beanbag balance. All our children showed fantastic agility and great sportsmanship. We were all so impressed with the sense of teamwork and camaraderie that the children demonstrated in cheering on their fellow competitors! A big well done to all the Nursery and Reception children. Thank you also to parents for being wonderful spectators at the event.











On Monday 27th June, **Years 1, 2 and 3** took part in their Sports day! The team with the most points on the day were the blue team (water). The children took part in a range of carousel activities which involved: relay races, hungry hippo style ball games, water races, throwing activities, target throwing, egg and spoon races and many more. Needless to say, all of the children did a fantastic job and for this we are all incredibly proud of them! Not only did all the children have a wonderful morning, we were so impressed by their cooperation skills, communication skills and their overall team work. Well done to all the children who took part and thank you to everyone who came

to support the children!

What an exciting morning we had on Tuesday 28th June for the **Year 4** and **5 Sports Day!** Children in Year 4 and 5 took part in their sports day which involved a jam packed morning of races including sprints, obstacle and relay and our class carousel activities including novelty, ball pass and ball relay. The day ended with a nail biting Tug of War event! It was incredibly close and the children did extremely well!



Well done to all the children for taking part and representing their house teams so well.

Once Year 6 have completed their events, we will reveal the overall winner in our July Newsletter!

Kylie Grimes – Paralympic Gold Medalist

We were extremely fortunate to have a visit from Paralympic athlete, Kylie Grimes. The children took part in a fitness circuit with Kylie, which was a wonderful experience.

Kylie then held assemblies in the afternoon, she told the children her story and how it took a few attempts to make it but she finally won a Paralympic medal - she spoke to them about perseverance, resilience and never giving up on your dreams!

Your children's sponsorship money is still coming in; we have until **Thursday 7**th **July 2022** to collect as much as possible. You can still donate and set up a fundraising page on Sports for Schools (https://sportal.sportsforschools.org/events/18707/promo). We will share the grand total in our July newsletter!







B Badge Awards in June

Class	13.0	13.06.22		20.06.22		27.06.22	
Rabbits	Sofia	An	aya	Yasmin	Muawwaz	Hanna	Shirisha
Hedgehogs	Lamisa	Isabella		Layla	Anaysh	Noah	Abigail
Squirrels	Asmara	Maya		Jenny	Charlie	Ellia	Henry
1B	Precious	Sara		Mariam	Charlotte	Oscar	Dominic
1C	Scarlett	Arabella		Eva	Milly	Mia	Noah T
1S	Elliot	Oliver		Edmar	Sabeek	Jack	Matilda
2W	George	Finley		Emma	Maryum	Talia	Annabelle
2F	Noah	Kenan		Isla	Yuehua	Kiyan	Kenan
2K	Holly	Ariyan		Max	Raaina))	Arianna
3G	Connor	Isabella		Ben	Jessica	Ben	Katherine
3H	Florence	Brandan		Adam	Leyth	Ella	Jacob
3C	Lineysha	Ollie M-F		Callum J	Archie S	Tito	Sophie
4L	Julius	Ellie		Olivia	Alexis	Mary	Aidan
4S	Eliza	Luke		Ava	Keira	Zaine	Dhaksha
4P	Aisha	Tyler		Isaac	Lenny	Harrison	Ayden
5H	Robyn	Raya	Evie	Zachary	Mia-Amelia		
5S	Kate	Ch	loe	Jack	Cam'ron	Olivia	Emilio
50	Tyler	Deimante		Max	Eliza	Jack	Matthew
6S	Sonny	Holly		Sadie	Joshua		
63	Harley	Dorian		Ellen	Gabriela		
6M	Kashyani	Ran	veer	Asa	Isaac		

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

	6/6 – 10/6/22	13/6 – 17/6/22	20/6 – 24/6/22				
KS1							
1st	99.2% (2K)	96.7% (2K)	98% (2F)				
2nd	97% (1S)	96.4% (SQ)	96.7% (2K)				
3rd	96.7% (2F)	94.7% (HH)	95.1% (SQ)				
KS2							
1st	99.2% (4P)	99.7% (50)	100% (3G)				
2nd	99.1% (3G)	97.4% (6S)	99.7% (3C)				
3rd	98.7% (50)	97.1% (4S)	99.3% (5H)				

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 Safequarding Lead.

Icky Doo Dah Workshop!

On 7th June, pupils in Year 3 and 4 took part in workshops led by author and illustrator, Simon Murray! After introducing his Icky Doo Dah books during an assembly, children were invited to draw their own mischievous character using different letters and shapes. Children learnt key words such as 'contrast', 'detail' and 'texture' and successfully added these elements into their own illustrations. Their teachers were blown away with the incredible artwork produced! Simon was kind enough to leave a few signed copies of his books, which we have added to the school library so that the rest of the school can enjoy them too!



Chipstead Village Flower Show

Chipstead Village Flower Show and Fair on Saturday 16th July 2022 NEEDS your entries!

This fabulous community event is in its 111th year. Of course, brilliant sunshine would be fabulous but more important is your presence and entries. The marquee is at the core of the show - so please enter your flowers, garden produce, photographs and arts and crafts - and there is a great and varied section for children and youth. So there is no better time than NOW to encourage your children, grandchildren, parents, grandparents and, of course, yourselves to enter your classes online - and make it a great day out. Online entries can made on - https://www.chipsteadflowershow.co.uk/

Olaf Falafel Visit

We are very excited to be hosting a visit from children's author and illustrator Olaf Falafel on 11th July 2022. With the upcoming launch of his new book, Olaf is returning and has agreed to run workshops with both KS1 and KS2. The KS1 workshop will be an assembly and activity related to his book *Blob Fish* and the KS2 assembly will celebrate *Trixie Pickle Art Avenger*.

In addition to this, Olaf will be holding a book signing after his assemblies. Should you wish to purchase a copy of either Blob Fish or Trixie Pickle Art Avenger, please order directly from the bookshop organising the event using the links below. Books ordered in advance will be delivered on 11^{th} July at the book signing.

Blob Fish will be available at the discounted price of £10 and Trixie Pickle Art Avenger for £6.75

<u>Click here to order a copy of Blob Fish</u>: Click here to preorder a copy of Trixie Pickle Art Avenger:

When placing the order, please use the comment box to write your child's name, class and school so that the book shop ensures the books make it to the correct school and Olaf will sign copies during his morning at CVPS! The deadline for ordering books is Wednesday 6th July.



EYFS Update

Nursery

We started June by directing our attentions to the topic 'Dinosaurs'. This is a firm favourite for so many of our children and we loved the high levels of engagement and fascination we have observed throughout. A great number of our children wowed us with their amazing knowledge of different species of dinosaur and a few even brought in dinosaur fact books from home to share with us at group time.

Activities on this topic have included hunting for dinosaur fossils in sand; dinosaur Numicon maths; role playing in the dinosaur trekking jeep and creating a class collage of a T-Rex. We also enjoyed reading the well-loved stories 'Dinosaurs love Underpants' and Tyrannosaurs Drip' and discussing the story and characters







We then moved on to 'Under the Sea and The Seaside'. This allowed us the opportunity to experiment with water, sand, boats and a wide variety of sea creatures. The children enjoyed magnetic fishing; craft activities such as making jellyfish and crabs with paper plates and collaging shimmering seahorses.

We enjoyed listening to the story 'The Rainbow Fish' and role playing with the creatures from 'Commotion in the Ocean'.



Reception

Our Dinosaur topic has been a roaring success as the children watched film of a prehistoric T-Rex visiting the classrooms! The children enjoyed describing dinosaurs, drawing dinosaurs and playing with the small world dinosaurs in the tuff tray. One of the children's favourite activities was using the toy dinosaurs to make footprints in the paint! We were impressed with how the children engaged with this topic and in particular the use of vocabulary. The children have all managed to use the terms carnivore and herbivore in their spoken descriptions!! We think there might be a few children who grow up to be Palaeontologists!

We have now moved on to our new topic entitled 'Under the Sea'. We will be looking at the ocean and the associated sea life creatures. In particular we will be looking at the environmental impacts upon the seas through the use of the text 'Clean Up' by Nathan Bryon. We will be encouraging the children to consider how we can recycle many materials and think about how we look after the seas and oceans. In many of our lessons we will be working together as a whole class in preparation for the children moving into the more formal lesson style in Year 1.







Treehouse

Dinosaurs and Pirates

The children in Treehouse loved our topic on dinosaurs! We read "mad About Dinosaurs" and learned how to identify a brontosaurus, a diplodocus and a pterodactyl. We learned to sing and sign a new song called "One dinosaur went out to play" and had a great time pretending to be Tyrannosaurs Rexes! We did some fun maths activities sorting dinosaurs into size order and we also enjoyed practising our fine motor skills - freeing the frozen dinosaurs using hammers. We enjoyed making dinosaur collages and experimented with different textures.

Our latest topic is pirates. We have been singing lots of pirate songs and have drawn pirate portraits. We had lots of fun digging for pirate treasure and counting out the precious jewels. We have continued to work on recognising emotions and have been using a mixture of words and Makaton to describe how we are

feeling.









Key Stage 1 Update

Year 1

In year 1, we have delved into our new topic 'Roars, Paws and Animal Claws' and the children have loved it. In the digiverse, we have explored different continents and found out about the animals that inhabit those continents. In English, we have been looking at the book 'Dear Green Peace'. We have been using our retrieval skills to find out information from the letters that Emily has been sending Green Peace about the whale in her pond called Arthur.

In Art, we have been looking at traditional Australian dot work and used our fingers to create the colourful patterns around our animals. The children have had great fun in our new maths topic of position and direction. The children were set challenges where they were blindfolded and had to get their teammates to the treasure by using directions vocabulary.



SIMON JAMES

Greenpeace

Year 2

During June, the children have been working very hard in all areas of the curriculum. We have been spending a lot of time working on our production 'Rockpool' and we are very much looking forward to parents being able to watch it very soon!

In English, we having been creating a persuasive leaflet on ocean pollution. We started off by using chrome books to carry out research and made notes of the facts that we found. We also went into the Digiverse to watch some interesting videos to find out even more facts. We discovered some shocking facts about our sea animals! We used these facts to create our own leaflets thinking about the causes and effects of pollution and how we can help to reduce this. We were very impressed with the leaflets that the children produced.

In maths, the children have been looking at statistics. We started by creating our own tally charts on the playground of favourite colours and subjects. We learnt how we draw a tally chart in our books and answered a range of questions on these. The children then looked at pictograms and block diagrams and from this had to interpret the data. We also carried out an investigation to see the different temperatures around the school throughout the day and how the temperature changes. We had to accurately read the thermometer and write our results.

We were so proud of how all the children performed during sports day. They showed fantastic teamwork and spirit. We are looking forward to lots of exciting events coming up during July such as the production and our trip to Goring and Worthing beaches!



Key Stage 2 Update

Year 3

Summer is here and Year 3 have enjoyed a range of activities this month. The children enjoyed a visit from the author Simon Murray, the creator of the Icky Doo Dah. They inquisitively listened, as he talked them through the step-by-step process of how to draw this unique character; drawing on their knowledge of shape, lines and texture. In English, we used their excitement of his stories to foster a whole new wealth of creative ideas. The children wrote amazing stories, using adjectives, similes and metaphors to describe the distinctive creature, where he lives and the mischief he gets up to! These were a joy to read – well done Year 3! We have now start to look at our new topic 'The Vikings are coming' starting by looking at the story of Beowulf.

In maths, our work on fractions has now come to an end. The children worked hard at finding equivalent fractions and generally showed a good understanding of how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. We have now started looking at mass and capacity. The children have enjoyed measuring water and comparing which is heavier.

Writing workshop

This month, eight children were selected to represent the year group at a Creative Writers' Day, at a local school with author, Jenny Valentine. The children spent the day with a range of Year 3 and 4 children from different schools. The day focused on creative writing and included spoken word games, instant poetry as well as editing story writing. All the children represented the school fantastically and thoroughly enjoyed the day; having the freedom to write freely. They loved sharing their stories and poems with the author and took on board tips as to how to be creative and improve their writing.

Year 4

Year 4 started the month with an author, Simon Murray, visiting. They created wonderful pieces of artwork and during our recent English lessons; they have been creating their own adventure stories with their own 'Icky Doo Dah' character!

In maths, we have continued to work on our instant recall of times tables up to 12. The children have been adding and subtracting money as well as completing investigations linked to giving change! We have also started our new unit on telling the time.

During our discovery lessons, we have been discussing plastic pollution and the negative impacts on sea animals. Thank you for all of the plastic lid bottles which we are going to use in our class mosaics! We have also enjoyed our computing lessons this month; we have been busy creating different sets of algorithms to create two 'sprites' in a chasing game.







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 English, we have continued our work on "The Explorer" and particularly enjoyed the chance to write newspaper reports. We then digitally formatted our reports by using the Chromebooks to make them look super professional!

We had the chance to complete our Global Scholars community action project! We created powerpoint presentations to help year 3 children learn about food security and food banks in our local area. We thought carefully about adapting our language to educate younger children and worked on explaining concepts in a concise manner. We loved visiting year 3 and enjoyed all the questions they had for us. Thanks year 3!

We have been working hard in discovery, where we have learnt lots about deforestation and its devastating impact on the natural word. We have created anti-deforestation posters and used this learning to write persuasive speeches in English.



This month, we were very lucky to visit London Zoo. We visited the rainforest, where we got close to some sleepy sloths and adorable monkeys. We learnt lots from the expert, who guided us round the rainforest section and told us more about deforestation. What a great day!

Year 5 loved the sports trip to Oasis Academy. The lovely year 10 children taught us lots about staying fit and healthy and we had fun completing the activities they designed. In other sporting news, sports day was a great success! All children showed brilliant behaviour and sportsmanship. We are very proud of all of them.

We are looking forward to the last few weeks of the year with the children. They have worked very hard this year – keep up the good work year 5!

Year 6

Pirates of the Curry Bean – Year 6 have been busy preparing for their upcoming production! The props are made, costumes are being constructed and the set has been painted. The children are getting very excited for the performances and cannot wait to wow you all with their acting skills!

Most children have now attended a transition day at their new school. The children have been keen to share their experiences and have expressed excitement in moving on to secondary school in September!

During the Jubilee Celebrations, the children painted portraits of the Queen. Additionally, they created ornate frames using card to finish their wonderful works of art. We wanted to share some of these with you.

We have started to study portraiture by Pablo Picasso. The children have identified the techniques and style he used in many of his works and are in the process of creating their own masterpieces using acrylic paint. Check out Twitter for photos in the coming weeks!

In science, we have been studying light. The children have experimented with creating their own periscopes to see how light travels! They positioned themselves on the floor behind their tables and had to make a periscope to see their friends across the other side of the room. They gained a good understanding of the angle of reflection and how we see using mirrored surfaces.

Microsociety - The children have been incredibly busy creating their own societies. They have designed flags and currency and have set some rules to follow. Some of the societies now have a government. The children have applied for jobs, allocated resources and have even set up their own businesses. Soon they will be ready to trade their products, make money and... pay their taxes!





Upcoming Dates

Date	Event	Additional Information
06.07.22	Y2 Production	6pm
07.07.22	Y6 Sports Day	
08.07.22	Y1 Drusilla's Trip	
11.07.22	Olaf Falafel Visit	
12.07.22	Reception & Treehouse Hobbledown Trip	
12.07.22	Y6 Production	1.30pm
13.07.22	Y6 Production	1.30pm
13.07.22	Nursery Teddy Bears Picnic	2pm
14.07.22	Y6 Production	6.30pm
14.07.22	Y2 Trip to Beach	
21.07.22	Y6 Leavers Celebration	
22.07.22	Y6 End of School Assembly	9.45am
22.07.22 End of Summer Term		School Closes 1.15pm

End of Summer Term

Please note, the Summer Term ends at 1.15pm on 22^{nd} July 2022.

Afterschool Club will be ending at 4pm on this day.

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 <u>CVPS</u> <u>Reduce, Recycle and Reuse - facebook page</u>.

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

As always, you can follow us on Twitter! @ChipsteadPri We also have an account for our Connecting Classrooms project with Nepal: @WasteUnited

Padlet

Our United Against Waste project with schools in Nepal is recorded on Padlet. <u>Click here to visit our pages.</u>