

CVPS NEWS

September 2022

Heads Welcome!

It is wonderful to be able to welcome you all back and a huge hello to all of our new families. The children have settled in beautifully to the start of term and it has been wonderful watching them over the past few weeks. Reception have hit the ground running and are in full swing with their learning and the rest of the school are in and around the school, carrying out creative and detailed lessons. Trips, workshops, events and clubs are back and we look forward to welcoming you into the school for our upcoming parents safeguarding event, Macmillan's Coffee morning and parents' consultations, just before half term. Today is also National Teachers' Day, so I want to take the opportunity to thank our amazing team for all of their hard work and effort, each and every day.

B Badge Awards in September

Class	16.09.22		23.09.22		30.09.22		
Rabbits			Ella	Iliya	Zain	Summer	
Hedgehogs			Sylvie	Ciaran	Rebecca	Shivaansh	
Squirrels			Willow	Zendaya	Joshua	Finlay	
1W	Ava	Asmara	Xueping	Kaira	Alyssa	Chester	
1C	Kiara	Luca	Atalia	Layla	Arman	Sophie	
1S	Joshua	Nila	Shelini	Eddie	Nathan	Skylar	
2F	Chloe	Noah P	Oscar	Myles	Finley	Noah T	
2K	George	Archie	Arthur	Sienna	Florence	Luke	
2L	Harry	Daniel	Jake	Ruby	Luca	Chloe	
3B	Jordan	Ashar	Cora	Aaheli	Yuehua	Joshua	
3C	Ishtah	Finley	Joshua	Ozzy	Lyra	Oliver	
3D	Jamil	George	Talia	Maryum	Sam	Quincey	
4G	Rae	Tito	Theo P	Lineysha	Jack	Joshua	
4H	Leyth	Elsie	Heidi	Jude	Katie	Adam	
4S	Harley	Lottie	Emily	Daniel	Whole class		
5C	Amaya	Cinar	Dhaksha	Luke	Ethan	Amat	Noah
5J	Dominic	Sofia	Sanaa	Olek	Olivia	Adam	
5O	Harry	Tyler	Shaye	Delila	Kaeleb	Matilda	
6H	Manahil	Tyrone	Layla	Andreas	Kian	Juliana	
6M	Camron	Emilio	Eva	Lola	Kate	Jack	
6S	Morgan	Leo	Dylan	Noah	Bobby	TJ	

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.

	5/9 – 9/9/22	12/9 – 16/9/22	19/9 – 23/9/22	26/9 – 30/9/22
KS1				
1st	100% (RAB)	100% (1S)	100% (2F)	99.3% (1C)
2nd	98.6% (1C)	98.7% (HH)	99.6% (2L)	98.7% (2L)
3rd	96.4% (1W)	98.3% (RAB)	99.2 (1S)	97.9% (2F)
KS2				
1st	99.7% (3B)	99.3% (3C)	100% (3C)	100% (3D)
2nd	99.6% (4S)	99% (3B)	98.3% (5C)	98.7% (3B)
3rd	98.3% (3C)	98% (6H)	97.9% (3B)	98.3% (5C)

MacMillan Coffee Morning

We are delighted to be raising money for MacMillan Cancer Support. You will have seen we have our coffee morning coming up on Friday 14th October from 9.00am until 10.30am. Please come and help us raise as much as we can for this wonderful charity.

Whether you are an expert baker who can provide us with some wonderful (nut free!) bakes to sell, willing to donate some purchased treats for us to sell or simply enjoy cake and come and support by eating some of our wonderful offerings, we can all pull together and raise funds for a fantastic cause.



Harvest Festival

During the last week of this half term, we will be having our annual harvest festival celebrations in school. If you can, please donate any packaged / tinned items on Thursday 13th October where they will then be donated to the Purley Food Hub.



FOOD LIST - OCTOBER 2022



At Purley Food Hub we provide food and other items to local people in crisis. Please consider donating one or more from **this month's Top Ten priority items:**

- Cartons of Long Life Whole Milk (for clients' children)
- Jars of Honey & Jam
- Jars of Peanut Butter, Meat Paste & Fish Paste
- Tinned Plain Meat Meals such as Beef Stew, Minced Beef
- Jars of Tomato Pasta Sauce
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Dessert Fruit
- Children's Chocolate Treats
- Toilet Rolls
- Washing Up Liquid

As a result of so many people's kindness and generosity, we have been able to provide food for **275,000 meals** to struggling clients and their families since 2013.



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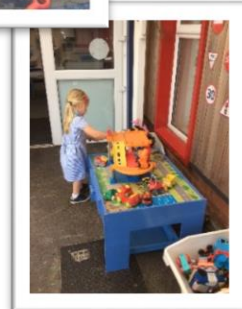
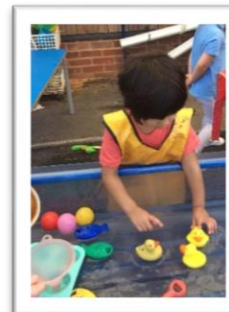
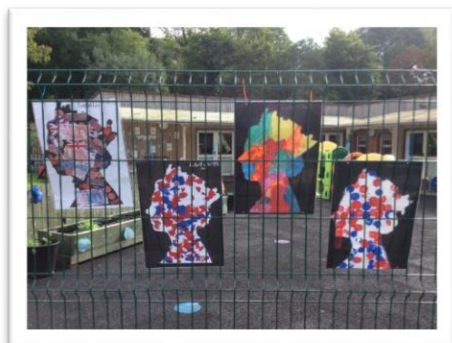


EYFS Update

Nursery

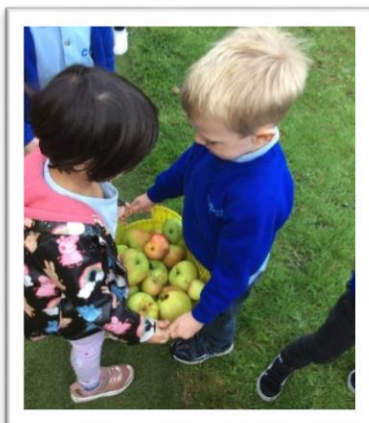
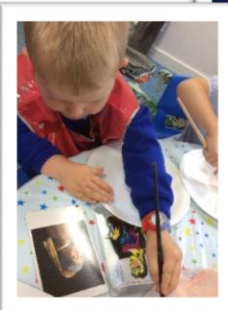
This term we welcomed our new intake of children to Chipstead Valley. We are so proud of how all of our children have settled in to nursery over the past couple of weeks. It can be a daunting step for our youngest, but all our children have been getting to know each other's names, exploring their new environment and the routines of the day. They have all tried very hard with our Give Five Rules too! Well done to all!

We honoured our amazing Queen's death with each class creating silhouette collages, using either paint or paper and glue, which we have displayed on the playground fence for all to admire.



We have also been looking at the topic 'All About Me'. The children have been exploring their own reflections, using mirrors and we compared the similarities and differences of our features with each other. We then had a go at creating a self-portrait collage using paint and a variety of materials to create an image of our faces.

We have also been learning about the season of autumn and went on a nature walk around the school rounds and visited our orchard to collect windfall apples that had landed on the ground to use in a variety of activities. This week we had a go at drawing a still life plate of apples using paint.



Reception

We have welcomed our new reception children into full time school this month, the children settled in beautifully and have made lots of new friends and learnt lots of new skills already. We have been thinking about ourselves and the children have even done their first show and tell session, talking about an object that is special to them. We have talked about what we look like and have painted our own portrait.

The children have been spending a lot of time practising recognising and writing their name and getting themselves dressed for PE. This is something we will continue to practise. We had our first trip to the library and we enjoyed listening to a story. This week we will be choosing a book to share at home with you which could mean looking at the pictures or for you to read together.

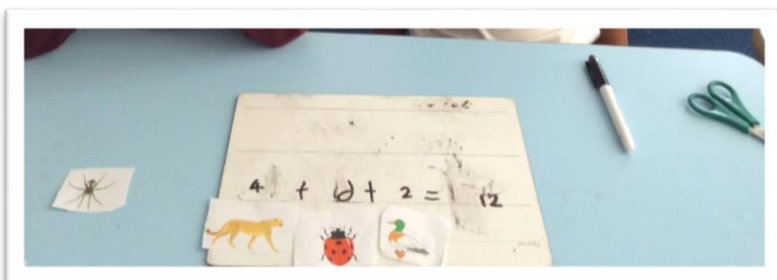
Reception team are looking forward to Fresh Air Fridays, this will be an opportunity for the children to explore the grounds and our beautiful surroundings. This we will be taking place every Friday come rain or shine, so please make sure they have the appropriate clothing and footwear, so the children can make the most of this experience.



Key Stage 1 Update

Year 1

The children have settled into year 1 brilliantly and are continuing to familiarise themselves with the year 1 routine. This term, our topic is 'All about me' and we have been exploring our senses using the schools grounds. We went on a senses hunt where we discussed what we could hear, see and touch. We have also linked our topic to our English learning, where we have been using labels to label parts of the human body and our faces. We kicked off our maths learning with some different maths investigations, which the children loved. We are very much looking forward to watching the children grow across this academic year.



Year 2

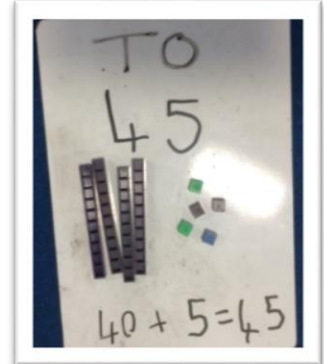
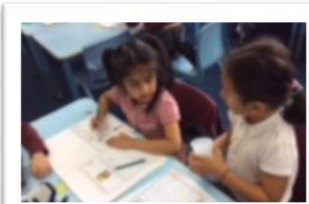
Throughout September, Year 2 made a fantastic start to this academic year. They have settled into school incredibly well and have made us all so proud.

Throughout the first few weeks, the children were focusing on an array of activities, based on an exciting interpretation of the traditional tale 'The Princess and the Pea'. The children used the school grounds when retelling the story by acting out scenes in small groups. This then really helped them when they needed to retell the story in their own words in their English books. We were all blown away with how hard they worked and how much effort they put into their final stories, using exciting adjectives and lovely story language!

In addition to this, the children have been recapping their place value skills. They have been understanding how many tens and ones in a two-digit number. They have made a great start with this and we will continue to practice this throughout the academic year.

Within our Discovery lessons, the children have been focusing on Science. We have looked at our variety of materials and learned about their properties. This is going to lead to some very exciting learning linked to the Great Fire of London where they will be building replica Tudor houses and discovering what makes them flammable, watch this space!

Well done Year 2 for all your hard work so far!



Key Stage 2 Update

Year 3

Welcome to Year 3! The children have started the new school year with a thirst to learn and lots of enthusiasm. During the first week, we completed various activities which involved getting to know them. In English, we looked at the book "Princess and the Pea", which was set in Africa. The children retold the story in their own words. We have now moved on to looking at explanation texts and how the Romans built their magnificent straight roads. The children were excited to become historians in the Digiverse and made notes on their findings.

In maths, we have been focusing on numbers up to 1000 and have enjoyed working outside creating 3-digit numbers with natural resources. The children have also been looking at the value of each digit. Over the next week, we will be comparing and ordering numbers to 1000. As mathematicians, they have been using different resources to create numbers and have also been carrying out various investigations.



'Romans' is our current topic in history and we have been amazed at the knowledge some of the children have. As part of our learning, we went into the Digiverse to learn about the location of Italy within Europe. In history, they have researched the daily life of a Roman and presented their findings to the class.

Finally, in Spanish we have started the new year introducing ourselves and we will also be celebrating European Day of Languages, which falls on 26th September.

Year 4

To kick start this school year, the children took part in "Learning to Learn" week. We thought about what makes a good learner and reminded ourselves about school life. The children practised their presentation as well as handwriting, to ensure our work throughout the year is presented beautifully. We are so impressed with how the children have settled into Year 4!

In English, Year 4 have really enjoyed the story "Quill Soup". We have made predictions about the book and then shared it as a class. The children are writing their own version of the tale using their own characters.

Within our Maths, the children have been practising their place value skills and have also done some journaling as part of this. They have really enjoyed using practical resources, such as dienes and place value counters to secure their understanding of number.

During our wellbeing sessions, we have explored what makes a good learner and classmate. We also took some time to reflect on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. The children were very keen to learn more about the work and life of our Queen. Many brought in objects such as crowns, flags and stamps to celebrate her life within our classroom.

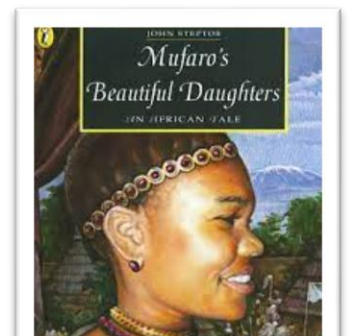
As part of our Tudor topic, the children have made their own Tudor collaged roses to display in the classroom. They have also begun to understand chronological order and used a timetable to place areas of Tudor history into order.

Keep up the super work Year 4 and we are looking forward to seeing your Discovery home learning!

Year 5

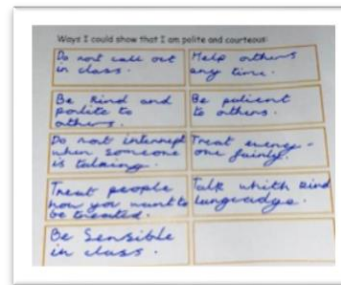
Since beginning the new school year, Year 5 made a fantastic start. They have settled back into school life and have made us incredibly proud.

Throughout the first few weeks, we have been basing our English learning around the book, "Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters". The story explains how 2 sisters, with very different personalities, travel to become the Kings wife. As part of this Year 5 were working towards writing a re-tell of a section of the book. They created setting descriptions using high level vocabulary and practiced embedding speech within their sentences. Alongside writing, the book also inspired our art. We used the technique sgraffito, to create beautiful African patterns.



In addition to this, the children have been recapping their place value skills. They have been understanding the different value each digit has and writing numbers to one million. Year 5 have also started taking part in some exciting maths investigations as well as outdoor learning.

The children in Year 5 have enjoyed taking part in Wellbeing sessions where we have thought about "What makes a good learner?" and "What makes a good classmate?"



Well done Year 5 for all your hard work so far!

Year 6

In their first month of Year 6, the children have settled in well and have demonstrated a good work ethic.

We started English off with looking at Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters, focusing on descriptive writing through activities such as role on the wall which allowed them to complete setting and character descriptions using a variety of descriptive devices. We have now moved on to narrative poetry. In Science, we have begun our topic Animals including humans and have investigated the circulatory system and the heart aided by the Digiverse and the dissection of a lamb's heart; the children found this enjoyable and engaging.



For our Discovery topic, we are looking at Early Islamic Civilisation and have so far learned about the importance of Baghdad as it was a cultural hub, as well as making comparisons between the Golden Age of Islam and the Dark Ages that occurred in Europe during this time. We have also compared the Islamic and Christian creation stories in RE.



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

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. [Click here to visit our pages](#).

Upcoming Dates

Date	Event	Additional Information
06.10.22	Nasal Flu Vaccination	Rec – Y6
10.10.22 – 14.10.22	Y6 Bikeability Course	
11.10.22	Y2 History Workshop	Please pay via Scopay
11.10.22	Reception Curriculum Evening	6pm – KS2 Hall
13.10.22	Parents Safeguarding Presentation	2pm or 6.30pm – KS2 Hall
13.10.22	Harvest Donation Day	
14.10.22	MacMillan Coffee Morning	9am – KS2 Hall
18.10.22 – 20.10.22	Parents Evening	
19.10.22	Nursery Open Morning	9.30am – KS2 Hall
20.10.22	Y1 'All about me' Workshop	Please pay via Scopay
21.10.22	End of half term	3.15pm finish
24.10.22 – 28.10.22	Half Term	
31.10.22	Inset Day	School closed to children
1.11.22	School Reopens	



Makaton Signs

This September we have been learning to use some Makaton. Can you practice using these at home?

