



CVPS NEWS

November 2022

Head's Welcome!

This term seems as though it is flying by, with rehearsals well under way for concerts and nativities and Christmas definitely in the air! Our winterwear exchange was really successful and we have a number of coats, hats, gloves, scarves and wellies left for anyone who would like to help themselves. If you need anything, please contact the school office who will be able to see if we have any of the correct sizes in stock and put them aside for you if so. We were also overwhelmed by the essentials people have brought in. If you need essentials such as toilet rolls, toothpaste, washing up liquid, shampoo, please let us know by emailing, in complete confidence, mwright@chipstead.croydon.sch.uk and we can put a box together and arrange discrete collection.

As always, the children have all been working hard in a variety of subjects and we very much hope you enjoy reading this month's newsletter.

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** (absence line opens at 8am). If the office staff are unable to receive a response concerning absence this may be referred to our Attendance Officer and Safeguarding Lead.*

	31/10 – 4/11/22	7/11 – 11/11/22	14/11 – 18/11/22	21/11 – 25/11/22
KS1				
1st	98.7% (1C)	100% (2L)	100% (2K)	99.3% (HH)
2nd	98.4% (SQ)	97.9% (2F)	99.7% (2F)	98.6% (1C)
3rd	98.3% (2L)	97.6% (1C)	98.6% (1C)	98% (2L)
KS2				
1st	99.6%	99.7% (3D)	99.3% (6M)	98% (3C)
2nd	(4S & 5O)	97.7% (5O)	98.6% (5C)	97.8% (4S)
3rd	98.3% (3B)	97.6% (4H)	98.5% (4S)	95.3% (5J)

B Badge Awards in November

Class	4.11.22			11.11.22		18.11.22		25.11.22	
Treehouse	Alman			Hashim		Serena		Tobi	
Rabbits	Brody	Isabelle		Frank	Sophie	Araia	Joshua	Destiny Rose	Darcie
Hedgehogs	Dexter	Neevah		Ada	Yuri	Leo	Harlow	Ambra	Archie
Squirrels	Rio	Raia		Summer	Lyla	Anaya	Jesse	Jace	Malika
1W	Aria	Harry		Arthur	Phoebe	Oliver	Izzy	Ellia	Jack
1C	Ryan	Joshua		Dylan	Florence	Emily	Anthony	Tiam	Abdullah
1S	Yasmin	Ronak		Isla	Billie	Lia	George		
2F	Mia	Rosie		Asher-River	Ethan	Jayden	Devanshi	Mia	Milly
2K	Kareem	Heidi		Finley	Chloe	Luisa	Poppy-Mae	Michael	Sophie
2L	Blake	Arianna		Eden	Vinny	Eli	Mariam	Sofia	Jocelyn
3B	Tevan	Kiyan		Finlay	Leon	Annabel	James	Ava	Noah
3C	Chloe	Sean	James	Charlie	Hela	Arianna	Jenson	JJ	Emily
3D	Samuel D	Elsie H		Jake	Samuel R	Xanthe	Annabelle	Frankie	Tanvi
4G				Whole Class		Toby	Inzi	Arianna	Keyan
4H	Darcie	Zaviyar		Jacob	Nuvaan	Darcie	Zaviyar	Niall	Charlotte
4S	Mariam	Oliver		Kabir	Lauren	Ben	Masood	Bella	Connor
5C	Isabella	Sienna-Sofia		Ethan	Nikol	Stanley	Charlotte	Eleanor	Zaine
5J	Florence	Finley		Gem	Oliver	Arjan	Divisha	Tommy	Conor
5O	Hayley	Aisha		Sammy	Shivani	Henry	Lenny	Cherry	Harrison
6H	Eliza	Ethan		Ava	Dharmik	Zara	Jayden	Reuben	Isabella
6M	Charlie	Poppy		Harry	Tillie	Lottie	Summer	Flora	Logan
6S	Liam	Sophie		Maisie	Solly	Ewan	Yuvi	Zachary	Mia

Quiz Club



We are so excited to announce that after such a successful run last year with our Quiz club team, they have again managed to secure a place in this year's semi-finals!

On Wednesday 30th November the new team (with some old faces!) attended the area heats which was held at Woodcote Primary school. With a steady start they were 6th after the first round. Team work and persistence paid off as they finished in 1st Place with an impressive 1355 points! Congratulations to Liam, Amar, Truly and Joshua, the class of 2022-2023 and good luck for the semi-finals in March.



1	Chipstead Valley	1355
2	Coulsdon C of E	1305
3	Woodcote	1230
4	New Valley	1090
5	Smitham	1090
6	Keston	995

Royal British Legion

We supported the Royal British Legion and their Poppy Appeal again this year and are delighted to announce that we raised £697.56 for this great cause. Our dedicated School Council went from class to class selling the poppies until we sold out! Thank you to all children and parents who donated! We know the Royal British Legion are very grateful for your support.



EYFS Update

Nursery

November has been a busy month in nursery. We started by learning about Diwali 'The festival of Light'. We watched a clip of a family celebrating the Hindu celebration. This helped us to develop our understanding of different cultures and religions. Some of the children compared it to their own special celebrations. We also took a trip to our 3D room to watch fireworks on the big screen. We then recreated the fireworks images in an art project.

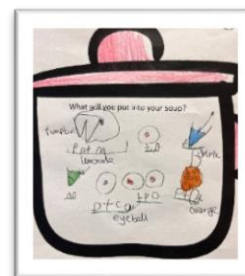
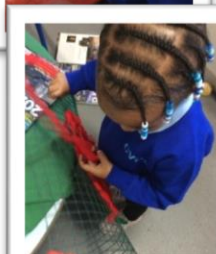
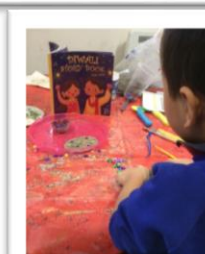
We marked Remembrance Day by watching a short video called 'Poppies' and talked about what bravery means and discussed people who help to keep us all safe. To support our learning, we made class poppies using a weaving technique with strips of red, black and green fabric. This worked our fine motor ability. Well done to all the children who had a go. The special artwork has been displayed on the fence by the nursery playground, please come and have a look.

Next, we looked at the topic 'Being Healthy' in both mind and body and talked about our feelings, the importance of keeping fit, healthy eating and remembering to eat 5 a day. We talked about the effect of exercise on our bodies and why our heart beats faster after running or jumping. Together, we discussed about our emotions and looked at the 'Zones of Regulation - Mood Monsters'. We also looked at the importance of oral health and had a go at a teeth cleaning activity.

Next month we will be focusing on the season of winter and Christmas.

Reception

In Reception, we have been reading lots of stories linked with Autumn! We loved 'Room on the Broom' where we got to make our own potions. We even drew our own story maps of the story! We have also been busy in Maths. We have been focusing on numerals 1,2,3 and 4. The children have enjoyed making their own pictorial representations of numbers. For example, three love hearts to represent the numeral 3. The children have loved learning the songs in preparation for our school nativity. They have all been given a part in our play and we can't wait to perform in December. The children made poppies in aid of Remembrance Day and we learnt the sign for poppy.

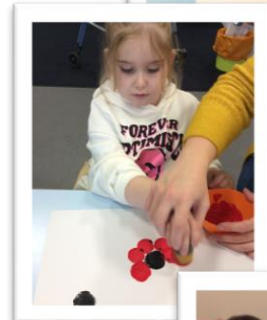
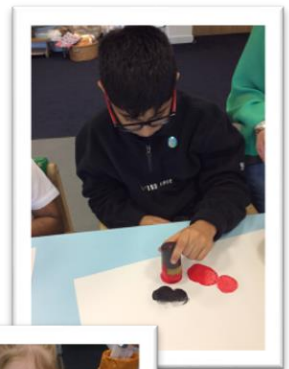


Treehouse

In Treehouse Class this month we have begun our topic on 'Celebrations'. We were so engaged in Diwali – 'The Festival of Lights'. We created Rangoli patterns, Diwa lamps and drew around our hands before adding Henna patterns onto the paper. We also really enjoyed the story of 'Rama and Sita' – we were particularly enthusiastic to act the story out and pretend to be Rama defeating the mean Ravana with our golden arrows!

In our Geography lessons we have been learning about the world, and particularly the continents. We looked at different maps and spoke about the land and water we could see. First, we visited Europe and looked at where England is on the map. We were all surprised that our country is a very tiny Island compared to the larger countries on the map. We have visited Europe, Africa and Antartica so far and taken 'selfies' at some of the famous landmarks including The Eiffel Tower, Victoria Falls and Table Mountain.

We have been enjoying lots of 'Reading for Pleasure' in our week this half term and will continue this as an important daily activity. We enjoy getting out our 'special reading basket' and soaking up wonderful stories, magazines and interesting brochures. This month our favourite story was 'Stick Man' (I wonder if this is something to do with Santa having a starring role!) We have all been working hard to engage with this and other stories read to us for longer periods of time. Some of us have begun to communicate about who we can see, what they are doing and even predicting what might happen next. We also created lots of art work as part of our Remembrance Day activities, look at our brilliant Poppies being created below!

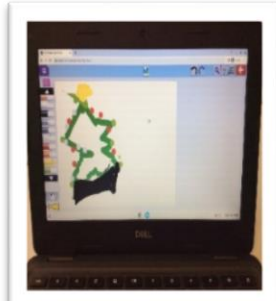
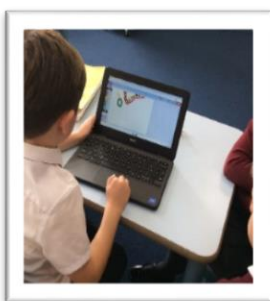


Key Stage 1 Update

Year 1

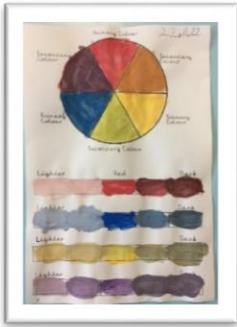
In English, the children have been looking at instructions. We introduced the children to new vocabulary such as adverbs of time and imperative verbs. We then followed a set of instructions to make an origami animal.

In computing, we have been looking at safe searching on the internet. The children used 'Swiggle' to complete their market research for their upcoming DT project. We also used the Chromebooks to create winter pictures.

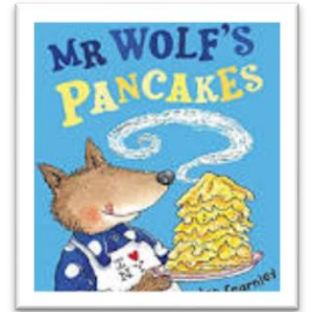


Year 2

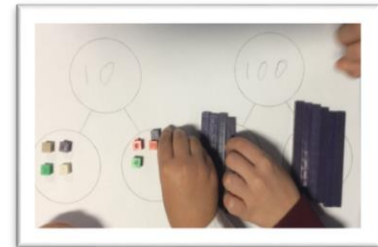
Throughout November the children in Year 2 have enjoyed finishing off their Great Fire of London topic and beginning our new topic 'Art Attack'. We kicked it off with an Art day learning all about colours, patterns and collages. The children had lots of fun mixing colours, creating a collage using a variety of materials and using different tones to make patterns.



In English, the children have been learning about diaries. We started off looking at exciting vocabulary from the book 'Sammy the street dog' to use in our writing alongside conjunctions and exclamations marks. We used these ideas to write our own diary as if we were there during The Great Fire of London. We are so impressed with the children's hard work and the fantastic diaries they have created! Following this, we then retold the story of 'Mr Wolf's Pancakes' by Jan Fearnley, adding our own spin to it by changing the characters and narrative. We had lots of fun acting it out and adding actions through Talk for Writing to support us.



Within our Maths lessons, the children have been exploring tens and ones to support their adding. We looked at number facts to 10, 20 and 100 and how these all interlink. We had lots of fun exploring our ideas together practically using dienes, tens frames and cubes to support our thinking. We then learnt how to add two-digit and one-digit numbers using our understanding of place value with the help of dienes. The children have continued to show great resilience as they continue to add two two-digit numbers. Great job Year 2!



The children have also been preparing for the Winter Bazaar and have been practising their songs for the Christmas Concert. They are very excited to perform at the event next month!



Key Stage 2 Update

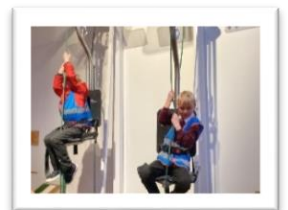
Year 3

In maths this month, we have been looking at column addition and subtraction. We explored exchanging and borrowing whilst using practical resources and written method.

In English this month, we have been exploring recounts. We created an extended piece of writing giving a recount on wonderfully exciting visit to the Science Museum. This recount focussed on including adverbs of time and manner along with descriptive adjectives.

Year 3 had an excellent school trip to the Science Museum. We explored the wonders of the Wonderlab and learnt about space thanks to the great exhibits on offer.

In Science, we have also been looking at forces and magnets. We conducted an experiment to test different surfaces and how they impact the amount of force required to move objects.



Year 4

This month, Year 4 had a fantastic time being historians at Hampton Court Palace in London. We extended our knowledge of the Tudors and learned about the notorious King Henry VIII and his six wives! We looked at many fascinating historical artefacts and attended a special workshop where we explored the Tudor kitchens. The sun was shining all day long; we enjoyed walking around the formal gardens and finding our way out of the maze!



In English, we wrote a clear set of instructions on how to test different materials to see if they conduct electricity. Over the last couple of weeks, we have been exploring the Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll. The children have thoroughly enjoyed creating a range of portmanteau words and performing their own nonsense poems to the rest of their class.

For our maths lessons, we have been multiplying and dividing numbers by 10 and 100. The children have also learned to measure length using different standard measures. We even measured objects in our classroom and converted our measurements from centimetres to millimetres.

This term, we have had a huge focus on times tables. The children have been working hard to learn them in school, please can you continue to support them at home.

Year 5

Throughout November, Year 5 have been working incredibly hard across a range of subjects.

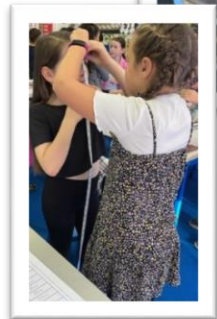
Within English, Year 5 have focused their learning discussion texts. The children have written some superb discussion on the ending of the Mayan Civilisation as well as whether teachers should be replaced with computers. Within this piece of writing the children were able to use a wide range of grammar concepts such as additional and contrasting conjunctive adverbs.

The children in Year 5 have enjoyed taking part in Wellbeing sessions where we have thought about "How my actions affect others." As part of this, we discussed how the way we behave can have an impact on others and also focused on what we should do if we ever find ourselves being peer pressured.

In Maths, Year 5 have been working on using their knowledge of place value to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. They have also been looking at factors, multiples, prime, square and cube numbers! The children have loved using their number knowledge to complete trickier worded problems as well.

During Global Scholars, the children have been taking part in field research and audits to look at our water usage and thinking about different ways that we could conserve water. They have then been sharing these ideas with our online peers across the world and finding out about their water usage.

Well done Year 5 for all your hard work this month!



Year 6

English – This month, the children have used the video 'Alma' to write flashbacks, focusing on using *show don't tell* to infer to the reader how the character is thinking and feeling. We have also looked at the amazing true story of Aron Ralston who got trapped in a canyon by a boulder but managed to escape after amputating his own arm! This has been the inspiration for a newspaper report which has focused on direct and reported speech.

Science – We have started our new topic on light and have been learning about how it travels, how it passes through certain objects, and how it reflects off others. We have experimented with reflections by building mirror mazes to look around objects.

Marvellous Theatre trip – Earlier in the month, we had the opportunity to head into London to see the play *Marvellous* which was the true story of Neil Baldwin and he was in the audience! We had a fantastic time and were all burnt out by the time we got back to school later that evening.

We have also begun our new topic *Batten Down the Hatches* which looks at extreme weather, such as tornados and hurricanes, in the USA and have been busy making our products to sell at the Winter Bazaar.



Communication

Alongside Scopy 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](#).

