

Cupernham Infant School

Newsletter 6 - Friday 22nd November 2024



Dear Parents and Carers

Together we care, we learn and we achieve!

It is hard to believe that we will be soon heading into Christmas and the excitement it brings in school.

Last week we focused on Anti-bullying week in school. This started with an assembly thinking about the national theme of 'Respect' and celebrating 'ODD SOCKS' day. I am so proud of the children for their amazing ideas and kind words they have been using. The children thought about who they could reach out to if they felt unhappy or others were being unkind. They were given the opportunity to encourage others to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

It was so lovely to see everyone in spotty clothes for Children In Need last week. The children had a great day and enjoyed taking part in lots of exciting Children In Need activities.

To end a very special week, UK Parliament week, the children went to the polls on Wednesday to choose which rule they wanted to break, the children really enjoyed breaking the rule today and were able to eat their pudding at lunchtime first.

Thank you for your continued support
Kind regards *Mr. D. Wells*



Dates for Your Diary	Date
Author Visit	Monday 25 th November
Year 1 Woodley Walk	Monday 25 th November
Book Fair	Tues 26 th Nov to Fri 29 th Nov 3.30pm-4.00pm – Details below
No Pens Day	Wednesday 27 th November
Christmas Tree Decorating Assembly	Monday 2 nd December (children only)
FOCUS Secret Santa	2-4 th December
Parent Forum	Monday 9 th December 2.45pm
Year R Nativity	Tuesday 10 th December @ 2.30pm (Details to follow)
Year 1 Nativity	Wednesday 11 th December @ 2.30pm (Details to follow)
Year 2 Carol Concert	Thursday 12 th December @ 2.30pm (Details to follow)
FOCUS Christmas Parties – Dress Down Day	Wednesday 18 th December – wear Christmas party clothes
Rocksteady Concert (for Rocksteady parents only)	Tuesday 17 th December @ 10am
School Christmas Dinner	Thursday 19 th December (Details below)
Early Close - Last Day of School	Friday 20 th December @ 1.20pm
Christmas Holidays	Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January
Back to School	Monday 6 th January 2025
INSET Day	Friday 14 th February 2025

Our Learning This Week



Year R

Year R are having a wonderful time learning about Diwali. We have been busy make Diya lamps, creating some marvellous Mehndi patterns and using our phonic sounds to write some super words and sentences about how Diwali is celebrated.

In maths we are continuing to look at the composition of 3,4,5 and use our 'fast eyes' to subitise small quantities. We have also been exploring the concept that a 'whole' is made up of smaller parts by putting the parts of a puzzle back together to make the whole puzzle.

We are really enjoying coming together as a year group to learn some new songs and actions for something very special that is happening at the end of this term!!!!

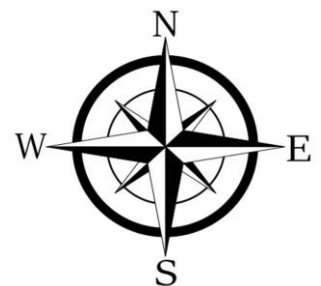
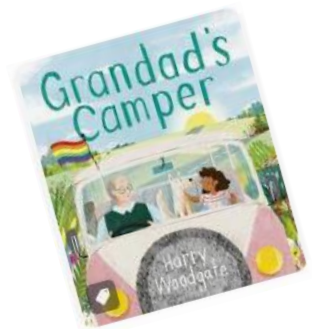
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Year 1:

Year 1 have had another great week After reading the story of 'Grandads Camper' we have been writing postcards to our grown ups imagining we are on a beautiful beach. In maths, we have been learning how to write number sentences for fact families. We have been learning about candle light in RE and this week we have been focusing on the importance of light for Diwali. From this we are using clay to make Diva lamps. We have also made a great start on our Nativity performance which is exciting! Thank you again for helping your child to learn their lines

Year 2:

Year 2 have had another great few weeks of learning. They have written incredible newspaper reports about The Big Bad Wolf and then performed them to their peers. Following on from this, they created wanted posters using adjectives and a range of sentence types. In maths they have been busy putting their number bond knowledge into practice to help them add and subtract. In geography they have started exploring maps, looking at a compass and how they may use a key to help them navigate their way around a map. Amazing work Year 2!





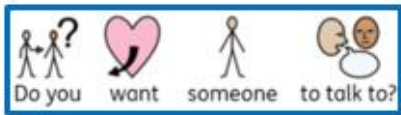
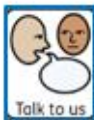
Hot Topic



Safeguarding – Pupil Voice

Here at Cupernham Infant School, we believe that our children are the most important people and we endeavour to give ALL children lots of opportunities to share their thoughts and opinions and play an active role in the decisions that affect their learning and well-being. This week we shared our pupil friendly safeguarding poster to remind children who they can talk to if they are feeling worried, unhappy or hurt.

Safeguarding Team



Mr Wells



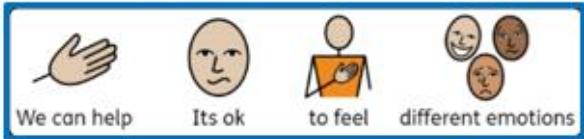
Mrs Turski



Mrs Darlow



Do you or a friend feel sad,
angry, upset or scared?



Book Fair

When: Tuesday 26th November to Friday 29th November

Where: Outside the Hall – please enter via the School Office Entrance

Time: 3.30pm – 4.00pm

Payments: Card payments only please

FREE books for your school when you buy at the Book Fair!

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£5.3M IN FREE BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE



Christmas is on its way



Christmas Lunch Menu on Thursday 19th December and will be served to the children by our staff. There is no need to book in advance, the children will choose on the day as usual. HC3S Special Menus will be catered for.



Roast Turkey with a Pork Sausage, Stuffing and Gravy

OR

Vegetable Wellington, Vegetarian Sausage, Stuffing and Gravy

Served with

Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas and Brussels Sprouts

Festive Iced Shortbread

Christmas Nativities and Carol Concerts

We are really looking forward to welcoming you into school to watch the children perform nativities and carols. **More details will follow shortly**, but a brief overview of the arrangements are as follows:

Each family will be allocated two tickets to their child's performance please bring them with you on the day. We will be providing a crèche facility for Year R & Year 1. If you will be needing this, then please book through the school office.

Year R - Tuesday 10th December @ 2.30pm (Details to follow)

Year 1 - Wednesday 11th December @ 2.30pm (Details to follow)

Year 2 – Thursday 12th December @ 2.30pm (Details to follow)



*To ensure every child's safety and in line with GDPR legislations **NO VIDEO OR PHOTOGRAPHS** will be allowed to be taken in any of our productions or concerts but we will make sure that there are lots of photographs posted on Tapestry.*

Christmas Tree Decoration

On the morning of Monday 2nd December, the children will be having a special 'Decorating the Tree' Assembly and if you have time, we would love them to bring in a homemade decoration for the occasion. Here are some suggestions to get you started. You could decorate a bauble; make a sparkly star or cardboard Christmas tree, or even a candy cane made from a bendy straw. Creativity is key! We look forward to seeing our tree in all its glory.



Parent Governor

We are pleased to inform you that Mrs Elkin has been appointed as our new Parent Governor. As the number of nominations did not exceed the number of vacancies, an election was not required. We are excited to welcome her to the Governing Board and look forward to working together to support the continued success of our school.

Goodbye

Next Friday, we say goodbye to Mrs Hoath, our child and family support worker. We would like to say a huge thank you for her work supporting both children and families across the school. She has been an integral part of the Cupernham family for over two years and we wish her well as she embarks on an exciting new adventure. From all of us at Cupernham Infant School, Thank you!



Walk to School Campaign

We have recently relaunched the "Walk to School" challenge in the classrooms. Details can be found in the attached information sheet.

E-Consult for Nasal Flu Vaccination

Do you want your child to still have the Nasal Flu Vaccination?

If you still wish your child to have the flu vaccination; please complete the consent form below and you will receive an invite to one of our follow up clinics.

School Code: SH116048

Website: <https://www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk/nasal-flu-vaccination-programme>

Thank You

Poppy Sale

Thank you to all those who donated to this year's British Legion Poppy Appeal. We are delighted to announce that we raised **£237.41**.



ASDA Cashpot for Schools

There is still 1 week left to go ... please opt in through the Asda Rewards app and choose our school to earn money for our school. The scheme ends on 30th November 2024. Many thanks for your support.



Reminders

Recycling

If you have any textiles and shoes for our clothes bank please bring them in and pop them in our textile recycle bin located outside the main school office – Thank you!



Children in Need

It was so lovely to see everyone in their spotty clothes last week in support of Children in Need. Thank you so much for your donations, we raised an amazing **£229!**



Shoe Box Appeal

The Trussell Trust collected all our amazing Christmas Boxes. They have asked us to thank you on their behalf. Your support was really appreciated.



The Playground

As the weather is becoming frostier in the mornings, for safety reasons can you please make sure that children are not playing on the Trim Trail or the Slide before and after school. The Train is for sitting on only. Thank you.





Don't forget to let us know if there any changes to your contact details.

Parent Drop in Sessions

Thank you for all your positive feedback, we are glad that you are enjoying the parent drop in sessions; **these will continue until the end of this term in December.**

Parent Forum

Twice every half term, Mr Wells holds a parent forum where parents/carers can come along and help share positive ideas of how we can make our school even better. They are face to face and vary in the times of the day either 9am, after drop off or 2.45pm just before pick up.

The next parent forum is Monday 9th December at 2.45pm. Please meet in the main office.



We are looking for a Family and Child Support Co-ordinator to start after Christmas. Please share this advert on your socials.

Family and Child Support Co-ordinator

- **Closing date:** Friday 29th November at 12:00 NOON
- **Contract/Hours:** Part-Time – 1 Year Fixed Term
- **Salary Type:** Support Staff
- **Start Date:** 6th January 2025
- **Salary Details:** Grade D1 FTE Salary £25,628 / Actual Salary £10,664
- **Hours of Work:** 3 days (days flexible) 8.30am-3.30pm Term Time Only
- **Location of Role:** Cupernham Infant School

More details can be found at:

<https://www.cupernhaminfant.com/child-and-family-support-worker/>

Useful Support and Helplines

Times are difficult at the moment and we want to let you that you are 'Never Alone'. This information has been put together by a number of professional services, highlighting the key agencies that may be able to offer help, support and advice when needed. In addition to this, please visit our new [Parent Support Pages](#) on our website for further support.

