



Cedars Park Primary School School Newsletter

Monday 15th January 2024

Notable Dates

Mon 15th Jan - Year 2,3 & 5
Disco

Mon 22nd Jan - Year 6 Disco

Mon 5th—Thurs 8th Feb—Book
Fair in School

Wed 7th Feb - Parent Consulta-
tions 3.30 - 6pm

Thurs 8th Feb - Parent Consul-
tations 4.30 - 7pm

Thurs 15th Feb - SEND Coffee
Morning 9 - 10am

Mon 19th - Fri 23rd Feb - Half
Term

Mon 26th Feb - PD Day

Thurs 7th March - World Book
Day

Mon 11th—Fri 15th March -
Science Week

Wed 20th March - Year 1 Shar-
ing Assembly

Thurs 28th March - Last day of
term

**Fri 29th March—Thurs 11th
April** - Easter Holidays

Fri 12th April - Pupils return to
school for Summer Term

Lunch Menu w/c 15th Jan

Monday
Macaroni Cheese or Cheese
and Bean Parcel

Tuesday
Beef Burger in a Bun or
Quorn Burger

Wednesday
Roast Chicken or Quorn
Fillett

Thursday
Margarita Pizza or Vegeta-
ble Hotdog

Friday
Fish Finger or Fishless Fin-
gers

Jacket Potatoes are availa-
ble everyday.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year—and welcome back for another busy term!

The Spring term has brought with it a forecast of colder weather—thank you for ensuring that children are coming to school suitably dressed as we are outside regularly throughout the school day and the temperatures can be bitter.

As ever, the children continue to demonstrate just how fabulous they are. Junior Librarians are excited to be helping Miss Gay implement a new Library Loyalty Card scheme—you'll have received a letter with more details via Arbor today.

Year 1 represented the school fantastically well last week on their school trip to Hollytrees Museum where they enhanced their learning about toys from generations past. Thank you to the parents/carers who helped on the day.

Year 3 began their new history topic—Iron Age—with a visit to our forest area to look for artefacts, acting as archaeologists and trying to work out what the objects were.



Year 5 have started their weekly swimming lessons with exemplary behaviour at the leisure centre in town and Year 6 have returned with an equal amount of maturity, setting a great example to all of the younger pupils with their behaviour around school.



Spring term is always a short one but as eventful as any other! We have both Science Week and World Book Day to look forward to in March; some details around World Book Day can be found on the next page.

Plans for science week are being devised by teachers and Science Leaders; this year's theme is 'Time'. If you work in a profession where time is a key element, please do get in touch—we would love for you to talk to the children about what you do!

With best wishes for the week ahead,

Miss Suhail
Headteacher

Parking

Please remember to park courteously at drop off and pick up times.



The Community Centre can be used for parking at these busy times.

Please also be reminded that the staff car park is strictly for staff use only.

Spring Term—PE Days

Children will have their PE lessons on the following days and should therefore wear their PE kits to school:

- Year R—Thursday
- Year 1—Wednesday and Thursday
- Year 2—Wednesday and Friday
- Year 3—Monday and Friday
- Year 4—Monday and Wednesday
- Year 5—Monday (Swimming) and Friday
- Year 6—Tuesday and Thursday

World Book Day—Thursday 7th March

Plans for this year's World Book Day are being finalised by our English Leaders and teachers and we will let you know these when we can. However, in the meantime, please be advised that this year, we will ask the children to come to school with their favourite book from home. They are also encouraged to dress up as a character from their favourite book, if they wish to, as this day will be a non-uniform day.

No Nuts!

Please remember we are a nut free school.



School Uniform Reminder

Please be reminded that jewellery is not permitted at school, except for watches.

Where children have their ears pierced, studs must be worn: strictly no hoops or earrings that dangle.

Thank you.

PSHE Jigsaw—Flagship School Status

We are delighted to share that we have become a PSHE Jigsaw Flagship School! PSHE Jigsaw is the programme we use at the school to develop children's Personal, Social, Health and Emotional skills. Flagship status is awarded to schools who fully implement PSHE Jigsaw, the mindful approach to PSHE; promote children's well-being, emotional and mental health; build a strong learning community and share their expertise with other schools. Well done and thank you to Mrs Begum, our PSHE Lead, for her work in driving this forward for our children and school!

Cedars Stars

Well done to last week's Cedars Stars!

Reception Mollie B Tillie K	Year 1 Thomas G Mave W	Year 2 Anthony S-A Hayden P
Year 3 Savannah J Darcy H	Year 4 Kevin B Freddie R	Year 5 Betsy A Betsy L
Year 6 Maddison H Oliver T		

Staff News

Congratulations to Mrs and Mr Scarlett, who are expecting their first baby together in the Summer! This is a most special time and we are all so excited for them!

Mrs Scarlett plans to begin her maternity leave in the summer term. Plans for her maternity leave cover are being finalised and will be shared in due course.



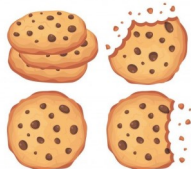
Attendance

Good attendance to school supports pupils' attainment and well-being.

Last week's attendance was as follows:

- Reception: 96.30%
- Year 1: 95.96%
- Year 2: 97.59%
- Year 3: 97.14%
- Year 4: 97.50%
- Year 5: 97.50%
- Year 6: 96.07%

Class Cookies



Well done to Kittiwakes in Reception for having the highest attendance this week!

Well done to Year 2 for having the highest attendance!

Top Tips for SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES

In children's eagerness to start enjoying new digital gadgets immediately, it can be easy to overlook setting up the type of parental controls that can help to protect them online. If you don't sort those out from the very start, it can be an uphill battle – technologically and psychologically – to impose such controls later. Here's our rundown of what to look for when setting up the various internet-enabled devices that might be lurking under the tree at this time of year.

IPHONE

If your child's lucky enough to be getting their own iPhone, parental controls can help avoid issues like screen addiction and unsuitable content. Go into the settings and scroll down to 'Screen Time'. From here you can customise important settings including time limits on using the device, communication restrictions and content blockers. You can also lock your changes behind a passcode.

ANDROID

With Android devices, Google's Family Link app is your friend. You'll need a Google account – and a separate one for your child, which you should use when first setting up the device. Then, in Family Link on your own device, select 'Add Child' and enter their account details. This lets you specify limits on daily usage, restrict certain apps, block particular content and more.

PLAYSTATION

You can prep for a PlayStation before it's even unwrapped. At my.account.sony.com, create an account, then go to Account Management > Family Management > Add Family Member to set up your child's account, which you'll use to sign in on the console. You can restrict the age ratings of the games they can play and who they can talk to. On the PS5, you can make exceptions for any games you think are acceptable despite their high age rating.

IPAD

iPad parental controls are identical to those on iPhones. However, if you've got a shared family iPad and want to ensure your children aren't seeing anything age-inappropriate after you hand them the device, there's a feature called Guided Access (under Settings > Accessibility > Guided Access). With this switched on, young ones can only use the app that's currently open.

XBOX

The Xbox Family Settings app helps you manage which games your child can play (and when). You'll need to set up the console with your own account and then add a child profile. Make sure your account's password protected, so your child can't alter your choices later. You'll be walked through the functions at setup, but you can also reach them manually via Settings > Account > Family Settings.

NINTENDO SWITCH

Download the Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app on your phone, and you'll be shown how to link it to the console. Once that's done, you can limit how long your child can play each day, decide what age ratings are permitted and more. You'll also get weekly updates on how often they've used the device. These controls are accessible through the console itself, but the app is usually easier.

WINDOWS 11 PCs

On Windows 11, account management is key. Set up the device with your own account as the admin. Then go to Settings > Accounts > Family and Other Users and create your child's account (if you've already done this on a previous PC, just log in with those details). Microsoft Family Safety (either the app or the site) then lets you control screen time, what content children can view and more.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebooks' parental controls are managed via the Family Link app. Unlike an Android device, however, you need set up the Chromebook with your own account first, then add your child's. Go to Settings > People > Add Person and input your child's Google account details (or create a new account). Your child can then log in, and you can monitor what they're up to via Family Link.

MACS

Like iPhones, parental controls for Macs are managed via the Screen Time settings. Again, the crux here is to set yourself up as the administrator before adding any child accounts. In the settings, look for Users & Groups to create your child's account, then – while on their profile – use the screen time options to place any boundaries around apps, usage and who your child can communicate with (and vice versa).

SMART TVS

Smart TVs typically have their own individual parental controls. One of the most popular brands is Samsung – and on their TVs, you can control the content available to your child. In the Settings menu, under 'Broadcasting', you can lock channels and restrict content by its age rating. Even this isn't foolproof, however: some apps (like YouTube) might still let children access unsuitable material.

Meet Our Expert

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