



Cedars Park Primary School School Newsletter

Friday 12th July 2024

Notable Dates

Wed 17th July - Year 6
Leavers Party 4—7pm

Thurs 18th July - End of term

Fri 19th July - PD Day

Tues 16th July - Rec End of
Year Assembly 9—9.30am

Thurs 18th July - Year 6
Leavers assembly
2.30—3.00pm

Mon 2nd & Tues 3rd Sept -
PD Days

Wed 4th Sept - Pupils Return
to School

Tues 10th Sept - PTA AGM
6.30—7.30pm

Wed 18th—Fri 20th Sept -
Year 6 Residential

Lunch Menu w/c 15th July

Monday
Pepperoni Pizza or
Margherita Pizza

Tuesday
Mac & Cheese or
Mexican Quesadilla

Wednesday
Roast Chicken or Roast
Quorn Fillet

Thursday
Fish Fingers or Sweet
Potato and Chickpea
Curry

Jacket Potato available
every day.

Dear Parents and Carers,

In true Cedars style, school life has been as exciting and busy as ever during this final half term of the year.

Year 6's thrilled audiences recently with their amazing performance of Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies. From the cast, backstage crew and sound techs, adults and children alike were blown away by the show! What truly stood out was how well the children worked together as a team; using their initiative, showing resilience and best of all, having a great time!



The children's performances had certainly been buoyed by a visit from the Image Musical Theatre Company earlier in the term—they returned to the school with a superb performance of The Selfish Giant.

Elsewhere, we had a special visitor to Year 5 who gave the children the chance to take part in a 'Forest School' day in our wildlife area. What an incredible time the children had! Activities were based around the children's reading of 'Swallows and Amazons' in class and included creating and testing rafts, joining in with songs and stories, and toasting marshmallows on a fire.



As well as visitors to the school, we have also had trips out to enjoy this half term: Year 4, who have been learning cornets and clarinets this year, took part in a special Whole Class Ensemble Teaching (WCET) Festival at Trinity Park. They, along with a number of other schools, performed an ensemble piece learned together to a live audience! The children were impeccably behaved and rose to the occasion marvelously!



Year 1 also went on a school trip this term; they spent a sunny day in Felixstowe as part of their 'Beside the Seaside' topic. Of course having an ice cream with their friends was for some the best part of the day!



This year's Sports Day was once again enjoyed by all: well done to Oak House who won the highest number of points on the day! Thank you to all who came along and supported this event—we were blessed with great weather and the PTA kept the refreshments going! In fact, with refreshments, the raffle and the sale of uniform, parents and carers helped the PTA raise **£620!!**



Meanwhile the PTA's Sponsored Fun Run raised an enormous **£2208** for the school! The PTA—and school—were blown away by this generosity and fantastic fundraising. Look out for the PTA Newsletter for more on this as well as special mentions to children who were the biggest fundraisers!



The PTA are a huge asset to the school; not only do they provide some amazing opportunities for the children (the upcoming Year 6 Leavers' Party being one!) but with the money they raise with support from parents, the school can offer so much more to the children. Join us for the PTA AGM meeting on Tuesday 10th September 2024 at 6:30pm to find out more about the PTA's work and how their fundraising can support the school

and benefit the children.

Finally, it is with pleasure I announce that House Cup winners for Summer term are Elm House, who as a reward, can wear non-school uniform on the last day of term. Well done, everybody!

What a brilliant year 2023/24 has been! Whilst term will soon come to an end for us, and the staff—and children!—can all enjoy a well-deserved rest over the summer, I'd like to sincerely thank all of our parents and carers for their support and continued partnership this year.

Goodbye and good luck to Year 6, who will eagerly begin their journeys into secondary education after the summer—we will miss you but what a joy to have watched you grow.

We look forward to the children returning on Wednesday 4th September for the next academic year, where I will have the continued honour of leading the school and its incredibly dedicated team in going from strength to strength in serving our local community.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Miss Suhail
Headteacher



Parking

Managers at Cedrus House contacted us again this week with concerns around parking at drop off and pick up times.

Please can we remind parents that the bay parking spaces are only for use by the care home's visitors and staff.

Please also be mindful of parking on the road—be safe, be considerate.

The car park in the community centre can also be used in the mornings so that we can continue a harmonious relationship with our local community and neighbours. Thank you.

Locker Keys: Years 5 and 6

A reminder to parents of children in Years 5 and 6 that all lockers must be emptied out and keys returned to the school office by **Monday 15th July**. Thank you.

Bags for Books

Please can children bring in a large and strong bag for **Monday 15th July** to use to carry their school books home in.

No Nuts

We are a nut free school!

School Menu Change

After careful consideration at Trust and school level, please be advised that school packed lunches will no longer be offered (with the exception of on school trips) from **September 2024**. This decision has not been taken lightly and we apologise for any disappointment this may cause. A review of catering is currently underway and we will inform you of any further updates to menus in the new term.

Swimming

A reminder that Year 4 will have their final swimming lesson on Monday 15th July.

At Cedars Park, all children have the opportunity to swim for a term across two academic years.

From next year, swimming will take place for children in Years 3 (Summer term) and 4 (Spring term).

Cedars Stars

Well done to most recent Cedars Stars!

Reception Charles H Skylar-May W Corey S Tilly K Naomi S-F Luke C Lorian M Logan R	Year 1 Thea M Aurora A Lawson S Alec W-T Sophia B Elisha C Nevaeh S Daria I	Year 2 Skye L Lawrence H Aimee W Miranda D-AR Scarlett D Ava-Mai O
Year 3 Imola C Lily O Arabella B David D Daniela N Flourish P-A Freddie B Joshua P	Year 4 Amelia W Emma D Harrison W Samuel G-J Isaac B Amy L Abigail Co Scarlett F	Year 5 Mason B Nevaeh E Madison M Alfie M Davidking A Madison M Max B Harry E
Year 6 Charlie F Charlie M Abigail C Jessica-Lilly B Tyler S Lota S All of Year 6—a great show!		

Attendance

A reminder that from 19th August 2024, rules around attendance are changing. [This](#) flow chart explains how.

In addition, persistent lateness will be a key focus for the school next year. A reminder that the school day starts at 0840; children should therefore be in class for registration **at 0840**.

Local Improvement Board Recruitment

We are seeking to recruit members to our Local Boards who can bring experience and contribute to the support and challenge operating in our schools.

Local Board members will attend at least one meeting per term and take part in agreed school visits focusing on specific areas such as Pupil Premium, SEND and safeguarding. Feedback from members will contribute to an evidence-base for self-evaluation and school improvement and the Trust will offer training and support to help Local Board members fulfil their roles successfully.

If you are interested in becoming a Local Board member, you can find further information on the Trust's [website](#) along with an application form.

Attendance

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

This week's attendance was as follows:

Reception: 93.48%

Year 1: 92.40%

Year 2: 94.91%

Year 3: 94.35%

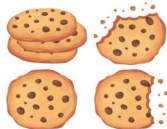
Year 4: 96.56%

Year 5: 95.42%

Year 6: 95.00%

Well done to Year 4 for having the highest attendance!

Class Cookies



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