

Dear Parent/Carers,

**Thought of the week:**

"No act of kindness no matter how small it is, ever wasted."  
( Aesop )

**Gold Awards:** Safa. S and Arya. K-2B

**Star of the week for ARP:** Manha. M

**Achievement Awards for Reading:**

Rohail. M-1Y, Leo. S-3B, Maya. D-3B, Kiara. G-4G, Zahra. A-4Y, Mrigaank.B-6B

**Well done everybody!**

**P4C:**

**P4C (Philosophy for Children)** is essentially about developing thinking and reasoning skills, through talking and posing questions or statements. These questions cover a range of subjects and experiences. P4C is designed to get everybody reflecting carefully and sharing their thoughts with others.. Not all questions can be answered but all answers can be questioned!

It is a great way to get children to think deeper, as well as to explain their thinking.

We will provide a P4C question or statement each week in the newsletter and would value your support in holding these conversations at home.

**Question for this week:** Here is your next P4C question for children to discuss at home.

Would you rather be a giant or the same size as a mouse and why?

**COVID Update:** We continue to face the challenge of many staff absences on a daily basis, along with some pupils. Please continue to support us by implementing safe measures and notifying us of positive cases.

**Curriculum Intent:** At CPS we aim to provide our children with an engaging, exciting and empowering curriculum that equips them to become lifelong learners.

During their time here we want to offer our children:

- ◆ Opportunities to become inquisitive and **passionate** about their learning
- ◆ Lessons that bring about a change to **long term memory**, so that they can use their knowledge and skills to make connections and **think critically** to make healthy choices and problem solve

- ◆ Frequent and varied opportunities to become **confident communicators**
- ◆ The knowledge and understanding to become **responsible global citizens**
- ◆ Enriching experiences that develop their **cultural capital**
- ◆ The knowledge, skills and opportunities to **widen their horizons**, so that they are ready for the next stage in their learning and have aspiration for themselves

As a staff team, we are on an exciting journey to 'decolonise' our curriculum and **deconstruct systemic racism** by critically interrogating the actions of our predecessors, and how the past has shaped the events and challenges faced by people abroad and in the UK. Through our curriculum we celebrate perspectives throughout world history, particularly in relation to ethnic groups within our school community. We want all children to know, feel and believe that their heritage is equally valued and that they have the right to achieve success in life.

Our curriculum also aims to address the various losses that our children have suffered due to COVID. These are addressed in all subject areas through a variety of strategic approaches. In addition to this, interventions have been put in place to support identified children with their learning and Social Emotional and Mental Health needs.

**Christmas/End of term parties**

As we approach the end of term, the children will have a small celebration in their own classes due to COVID next week. Please provide a small snack and a drink just for your own child on the following days:

**Nursery– Year 3- Thursday 16th December**

**Year 4-Year 6– Friday 17th December**

Children may come in non-uniform on that day.

**Christmas Lunch - Friday 10th December 2021**

Please remember, we will be having our **festive lunch** on **Friday 10th December**. All children are invited to wear **Christmas/seasonal jumpers** on that day. Children will select their meal as normal on the morning. If your child receives free school meals please do not send payment in for the Christmas lunch.

**Clubs:** The last day for all clubs running this term, will be Friday 10th December 2021.

**After School Club**

As normal, there will be no After School Club provision on Friday 17th December. Please therefore, ensure you have made relevant childcare arrangements.

**Please note, Reception School Applications for September 2022:**

All **Nursery parents** are required to submit their child's application for Primary School by **Saturday 15th January 2022**. Parents are required to submit three supporting documents as proof of residency along with the application. To complete the application please log on to **www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions**

**If you miss this deadline, your child may not get a school place.**

**Xmas Donations for the Ilford Night Shelter**

We are collecting donations for the night shelter for **Christmas** and would be grateful for:

**Tinned Goods, Tea, Coffee, Dried Foods e.g. Pasta, Toiletries, Chocolates e.g. Selection boxes, Cereals, Jars of sauces and any non perishable items.**

**CFA Movie Night:** The CFA Movie Night will take place on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 2.45pm – 4.30pm**. Movie Night is a fun after school event for pupils from Reception – Year 6. Pupils will watch an age-appropriate movie in their year groups, have pizza, chips and a drink for a cost of £5 per pupil. An alternative meal will be provided for pupils with allergies. For further information please contact the school office or Beverley Boothe on 0208 5182562.

**Year 3 Enterprise**

We would like to thank the pupils, staff and community for their support with fundraising and enterprise with our young entrepreneurs. These pupils were outspoken in their presentation to an audience with their enterprise ideas; Haya S 3Y, Mason H 3Y, Sara U.B 3B, Eliza M 3B, Saffa S 3R, Guzala H 3R, Amara I 3R, Amy B 3G, Chetan M 3G. Many congratulations to Hashim Sultan in 3Red for winning the raffle hamper. A contribution will be made to charity of pupils choice as well as purchasing wet play toys.

**Snow Plan:**

If it snows, please ensure that you leave home in good time to get to school safely, as **we will remain open**, unless we have extreme circumstances. We will only use the small pathways to access the building. **PLEASE BE AWARE** the school carpark becomes very dangerous in the snow, so please avoid using it if at all possible. If a school closure is necessary, we will communicate this via Parentmail.

**Year 6-Donations for Old ties**

Year 6 need your help - we are looking for donations of old ties that we can use in class to support our children with learning this skill as part of their transition to secondary school. If you have any old, unwanted ties, please send them in to year 6 so that we can put them to good use!

# KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Key Dates for 2021-2022**

**Autumn Term 2021**

**Wednesday 1st September 2021– Friday 17th December 2021**

Thursday 9th December 2021-Year 3 Fantastic Finish Day

Friday 10th December 2021– Year 4 Fantastic Finish

Friday 10th December 2021– Christmas Lunch/seasonal jumpers day

Monday 13th December 2021-Year 2 Visit to St. Andrews Church

Tuesday 14th December 2021-CFA Movie night-2.45pm-4.30pm

Wednesday 15th December 2021-Year 4G/4R visit to the Synagogue

Thursday 16th December 2021-Year 4B/4Y-Visit to the Synagogue

Thursday 16th December 2021-Nursery-Yr 3-Christmas Party

Friday 17th December 2021-Yr 4-Yr 6-Christmas Party

Christmas Break– Monday 20th December-Monday 3rd January 2022

**Spring term 2022**

**Tuesday 4th January 2022-Friday 1st April 2022**

Half term break-Monday 14th February 2022– Friday 18th February 2022

Easter break– Monday 4th April 2022– Monday 18th April 2022

**Summer Term 2022**

**Tuesday 19th April 2022– Friday 22nd July 2022**

Half term break– Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

**Inset Days**

**1st, 2nd and 3rd September 2021**

**Monday 21st February 2022**

**Tuesday 3rd May 2022**

**Monday 11th July 2021-Additional Bank Holiday**

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