

# Cupernham Infant School

## Newsletter 15 - 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

*Together we care, we learn and we achieve!*

We hope that you all had an enjoyable Coronation bank holiday weekend and took part in the 'Big Help Out' on Monday. Back in school, our curriculum continues to be lively, exciting and purposeful through the use of inspiring resources. It has been lovely walking around the school seeing and hearing the children laugh and play. Over the last couple of weeks, the children have been working so hard with their learning and it has been lovely to visit the classrooms to hear all about it. Their writing, problem solving and reasoning have been phenomenal and they all should be very proud.

In our assemblies we have been revisiting our three rules Ready, Respectful and Safe and thinking about what it means to be 'Ready' to learn, 'Respectful' to yourself and others and how to make 'Safe' choices.

Thank you for your continued support, kind regards Mr. D. Wells

Ready,  
Respectful,  
Safe

### Our Learning This Week



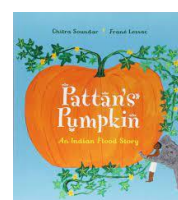
### Year R

We are now learning about minibests! Last week we had a special visitor in to show us lots of different minibests. Nick from Bugfest, was super impressed with how careful and considerate we were with the minibests. This week we have focused our learning on the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar.' We have written some amazing sentences about what the caterpillar ate as well as creating our own fruit kebabs.

### KS1

In Year 1 we have started reading a new book called *The Busy Fox* which the children have loved! We have been writing setting descriptions for both the city and the forest after experiencing this for ourselves outside through role play. We have been learning about  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  in Maths using objects and shapes, then moving onto numbers using part-part whole and bar models. We've been busy creating artwork inspired by the work of Kandinsky. Well done Year 1 😊

In Year 2 this week we have been learning about plants and have enjoyed growing our own sunflowers as well as growing cress and investigating whether it could grow without water or light. In Art, we have started learning about Van Gogh and we have been drawing sunflowers in the style of his famous artwork. We have also enjoyed starting our new English unit on the book 'Pattan's Pumpkin'. We loved creating a soundscape using musical instruments to create the sounds of the storm from the story whilst we thought of adjectives to describe the storm ready for our descriptive writing next week.



## Missing Books



We've lost a few of our Little Wandle guided reading books since we started the scheme. Each book is quite expensive and once we have lost one from a set then we don't have enough for the reading group. Please could you have a hunt at home to see if any are hiding. If you are lucky enough to find one then please return it to your child's class teacher. Thank you 😊



Thank you to all the Grandads and Dads who came to join us for 'Everybody Read!' a couple of weeks ago. We loved having you come to join us to read for pleasure!

On **Friday 9th June** we would like to invite Mums, Grandmas or Nannas or aunties into class, to come in and join us. Please arrive at the School Office at 2.45pm for a 3pm start. Looking forward to seeing you.

## Walk to School Week 15<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> May 2023



### WALK WITH US!

Our five-day walking challenge is a celebration of the walk to school and the perfect activity to run as part of National Walking Month this May

Hampshire County Council is encouraging parents and carers to leave the car at home this Walk to School Week (15-19 May)

Walking to school is a great way for children to start the day. It can help children be more active and arrive at school more alert, improving general health and wellbeing, while at the same time easing congestion at the school gates at busy times. Walking to school can help teach children life-long road safety skills as they learn from their parents and carers how to cross roads and be aware of cars and cyclists.

Walk to School Week is the initiative of national charity 'Living Streets'. According to the charity, by walking to school, parents say they find the journey to school less stressful, their petrol bill goes down, their children perform better at school, and both they and their children feel healthier and fitter.



Reminder to drive slowly near the school and to park safely.



Attendance Ladder



### Hot Topic – Attendance Support!

We continue to update our website and have recently added further information to support families around the importance of attendance. [Here](#) you can find out about attendance, punctuality, the registration process, parental responsibility, medical appointments, family holidays and penalty notices and more importantly ways that you can encourage your child to attend school. If you are finding it difficult to get your child to school, you must speak to the class teacher and/or Mrs Hoath our Child and Family Support Worker. We will be able to help you.

## Dates for the Diary

Event	Date
Walk To School Week	W/c 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
Half Term	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023</b>
Yr. 1 Jonathan Jungle Visit	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
Yr. 2 African Drumming Workshop	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
Everybody Read Afternoon – mums, grandmas, nannas, aunts	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 2.45-3.15pm
Health Habits Week	W/c Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June (more details to follow)
Parents Evening Yr.R & KS1	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June & Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023
Energise Me Day Yr.R and KS1	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2023 (more details to follow)
JOLF Day	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 (more details to follow)
Sports Day	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 AM (more details to follow)
Yr. 2 End of Year Performance	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 2.15-3.15pm (more details to follow)
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023



Yr. 2 SAT's Test Period	Month of May 2023
Yr. 1 Phonics Screening Week	W/C 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

## We Need Your Help!

We are looking for someone to volunteer a couple of hours to help build a playhouse for our Year 1 area. We have the instructions ready to go but need someone to help put it together so the children can start to enjoy it. If you know of someone then please ask them to contact the school. Many thanks in advance.



## 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.



## Contacting us

Please don't forget to keep us informed of any change to contact details as soon as possible.

**Telephone:** 01794 514494.

If you need to report your child absent then press option 1 and leave a message, at any time

**Via email:** [adminoffice@cupernham-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@cupernham-inf.hants.sch.uk)

Please visit our website at: [www.cupernhaminfant.com](http://www.cupernhaminfant.com)

**Cuckoo Club** mobile 07510318970, please use this number if you need to contact them during the session.



# Staff Vacancies



Cupernham Infant School is a three-form entry infant school in Romsey. We are a friendly, caring and welcoming school, providing a creative, rich and exciting curriculum using inspiring resources. Our children are amazing! They are kind, caring, enthusiastic learners who are considerate toward others. We currently have the following vacancies within our thriving school:

- Key Stage One Phase Leader
- Key Stage One Teacher
- Lunchtime Assistants M-F
- Site Manager M-F 1.30pm 6.30pm
- Wraparound Care Assistant M-Th

Full details are on the website at:

<https://www.cupernhaminfant.com/school-vacancies/>

Or email [adminoffice@cupernham-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@cupernham-inf.hants.sch.uk) for further information.