

# Cupernham Infant School

## Newsletter 3 - 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

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

Our curriculum continues to be lively, exciting and purposeful through the use of lots of inspiring resources and it has been lovely walking around the school seeing and hearing the children laugh and play.

All the school staff and I are so grateful for the incredible support of our parents and families during this half term and we look forward to seeing you at parent's evening next week.

Look out for The Everywhere Bear coming home throughout the year. Please read the information in the newsletter to find out more. Also, from next week, look out for a surprise post card home that could be landing on your child's doorstep. These will be posted on a Thursday ready for a Saturday delivery.

Thank you for your continued support and have a restful weekend.

Kind regards *Mr. D. Wells*

### Dates for Your Diary



Event	Date
Big School Tidy Volunteer Morning	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 10am-12.noon
Harvest Food Bank Collection Week	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October
Parents Evening Yr. R and KS1 (Yr.1 &2)	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 - 3.30-7.00pm
Parents Evening Yr. R and KS1 (Yr.1 &2)	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 3.30-5.30pm
Yr.1 Crazy Hair Day	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October
Yr.2 Fairy Tale Day	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Half Term</b>	<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>
FOCUS Firework Night	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 5pm
Curriculum Workshop Yr. R-2 Parents	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30-8pm
Nasal Flu Vaccinations	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Children In Need "Dress up in Spots Day"	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November
Yr. R Nativity	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2.30-3.15pm
Yr.1 Nativity	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2.30-3.15pm
Yr. 2 Carol Concert	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2.30-3.15pm
Yr. 1 Phonics Screening Week	W/c Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
INSET Day	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024
INSET Day	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024

## Our Learning This Week



### Year R

This week we have focussed our learning on harvest! We have sung many harvest songs, learnt about the different foods that we harvest in the UK, how these foods are grown and what they are made into. We also learnt about how the harvested foods end up in our shops and the journey that they go through to get there.

In maths, we have focussed our skills on measuring. This has included size, mass and capacity. We have learnt lots of new vocabulary and have had the chance to compare different measurements. Brilliant learning Year R!



### KS1

In **Year 1** this week we have been acting out the story of The Three Little Pigs. We have then started writing the story and ordering the pictures. We then created art work from this, making houses out of straw, sticks and printing with Lego bricks. Our computing also linked to this story, using our newly learnt skill of drag and drop to create our favourite scene.

This week **Year 2** have been busy using their writing skills to retell the story of Goldilocks. Next week they will be using their knowledge of the story to adapt the characters and setting in order to write their own version. In maths, the children have started a new unit of addition and subtraction and have been putting their knowledge of number bonds to 10 and 20 to the test.

## Gymnastic Festival

We are very proud of our KS1 children who took part in the Test Valley School Gymnastic Festival. They did incredibly well and won the overall Teamwork Award for encouraging each other, listening to each other and supporting each other in being the very best they can be.





## Hot Topic – Safeguarding



### Speak Out. Stay Safe.

The NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. programme visited our school last Monday to help our Year 2 children have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse.

The NSPCC delivered their Speak out. Stay safe. programme to our Year Two children, with the help of their friendly mascot Buddy.

The NSPCC's work in schools helps to encourage conversations about staying safe and they used a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'The Underwear Rule', a simple way for parents and carers to help keep children safe from sexual abuse – without using scary words.

The programme used the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can find out more and download the free resources at [nspcc.org.uk/pants](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/pants)

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/>

### Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL's)

Every school is required to have a designated safeguarding lead (DSL) who oversees all policies and procedures for child protection and safeguarding in school. At Cupernham Infant School this is Mr. Wells.

The school has also appointed three deputy designated safeguarding leads (DDSLs) who can support Mr. Wells with these duties and also deputise in his absence. These are Mrs Turski and Mrs Hoath and Ms Cates.

If you have any safeguarding related queries or concerns then please contact them through the school office.

### Policies

The Governing Body have now approved the following policies to safeguard and protect our children.

Please take the time to read through these.

[Child Protection](#)

[Safeguarding](#)

[Behaviour](#)

# Well Done Cupernham Infant School



## Introducing - The Everywhere Bear

Hello, I am the Everywhere Bear

I love to make new friends and have adventures but most of all I love reading! I will be visiting your class very soon and you can take me home and bring me back the next day.

I hope that during our time together we can make some adventures but I am really looking forward to sharing stories with you and your family. Do you have a favourite book you can share with me?

I love adventures and going out and about but I also love doing things like playing at the park, helping with the shopping, visiting the library or building a den.

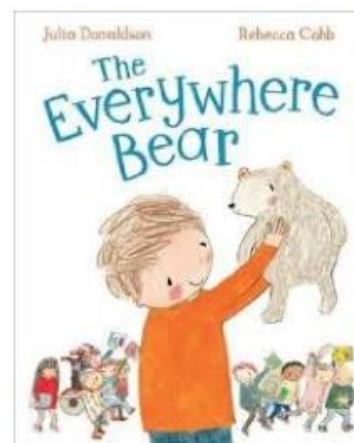
I don't have a camera, but I hope someone in your family might be able to take photos of us sharing a story and having fun. You can send them to your teacher using Tapestry so I can keep them in my scrapbook.

After our time together, please take me back to school so that I can get ready to make more friends.

Thank you for looking after me.

Your new friend.

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### Pupil Voice



On behalf of everybody at Cupernham Infant School, we would like to say a huge thank you and well done to all those children who took part in our pupil voice elections today. We are so very proud of every single one of you for standing up and reading out your speeches to everyone in your class. We can't wait for you to take on these amazing roles.

### Harvest



Please remember to bring in your contributions for our Harvest Collection next week. All donations will be sent to our local Food bank, supporting so many families across Romsey.





### HLTA Vacancies

We have fantastic and exciting opportunities to appoint 2 Higher Level Teaching Assistants (HLTA's) who will work in partnership with teachers to deliver planned learning activities to whole classes throughout our school. This will be to provide cover; class support, small group work, PPA cover, leadership release time as well as for training needs or in the event of short-term sickness. There will be opportunities to lead intervention progression with full training provided. Full details can be found on our website at:

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

### LSA Vacancies

We are seeking to appoint 2 enthusiastic, energetic, caring and experienced Learning Support Assistants who will ideally have experience of working in both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

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



## Open Days



**Please share if you know someone who has a child due to start school in September 2024:**

We would like to invite you to attend one of our open day sessions to find out about our life and learning here at Cupernham Infant School. Please contact the school office to book a space on 01794 514494.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1.30pm-2.30pm**  
**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9.30am-10.30am**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 9.30am-10.30am**  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm -2.30pm**

# Important 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!



## Reminder



Please ensure you respect our neighbours by parking and driving safely around our site. **Also, the junior and infant school car parks are for staff only.**

Mornings can be a hectic time. Please make sure your child is safely dropped off at the classroom door. Thank you.

## Scooters and Bicycles

Both Cupernham Juniors and Infants have observed some 'near misses' to possible accidents with children either riding bikes or scooting whilst on the school site. **Please can parents remind children to dismount from bikes and scooters as they come through the gates so that we can ensure everyone's safety?** Thank you for your support with this.



## Useful Support and Helplines

Please visit our [Parent Support Pages](#) on our website or contact our Child and Family Support Worker, Mrs Hoath on 01794 514494.



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



## 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.