

Dear Parents and Carers



Parent Survey

Please follow the link to complete our parent survey. The survey questions are the standard Ofsted ones and a few extras on some areas where we would like some further feedback. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/V3BL2SX> Thank you!



Christmas Fair reminder

Our joint Christmas Fair is **THIS Sunday from 2pm to 4.30pm** and we look forward to seeing you there. Come along and support our schools! Our School Band are playing at 2pm and the Year 5 Choir are singing at 2.30pm.



Christmas Dinner

If your child would like to book a Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 12th December 2017 as a “one-off” meal please contact Mrs Harrison in the School Office between 9.30am and 1.30pm to book this directly. This must be booked before Tuesday 5th December. If your child has a school dinner on a regular basis, please do this via the School Gateway as usual.



Packed lunch rubbish

Earlier this year we had to pay extra for more refuse bins and one of the main problems is the rubbish produced from lunches. As a result we are following the example of many other schools and asking the children to bring home their packed lunch rubbish for you to check and dispose of. Thanks for your support, our money is better spent in other ways.



Christmas Cards

Our Christmas card competition is now closed and the winning card has been selected. The overall winner was Ella in 4 Hawthorn! Well done. We also chose year group winners; Samarth in 3 Apple, Thomas 4 Hazel, Eleanor 5 Pear and Nivah 6 Oak! All of these will be used as cards for our VIPs, thanks go to everyone who entered. The cards will be displayed in the school.



Shoes V Pokemon Cards

If only the children in the school were as keen to track down shoes as they are Pokemon or Match Attax cards!!! I can say without any doubt that I have had more parent communication about missing cards this year than I have about missing shoes, and yet a small hillock has developed outside my office, composed entirely of unloved footwear. Please check for missing football boots or Clarks shoes!



Handwriting

Over the last two weeks Year 6 have run a small handwriting competition with some excellent results. The difference is considerable and I have issued many more pen licences! The winner of the competition is Yuqi followed by Neel, and Myuri.



Parent Governor Vacancy

We will soon be sending out the paperwork for a Parent Governor election. If you would be interested in running for Parent Governor then look out for more information. All candidates will be asked to meet with the Head and Chair of Governors to discuss the role. All elected governors will need to provide two references and must undergo disclosure and barring checks for safeguarding purposes.



Primary Schools' Christmas Carol Concert

We are looking forward to our Year 5 Choir sing at the Primary School's Christmas Carol Concert which is being held at the Colosseum next Wednesday. Miss Bancroft will be in the audience along with Mrs Harrison and Miss Ferguson will be on stage with the children. A separate email with more information for the Choir will be sent out in due course.



Checking up

We have run a number of checks this week including fire drills and safety checks. Environmental Health also surprised the kitchen with a visit and issued it with a 5 Star rating for hygiene. Well done to everyone in the kitchen!



Hindi Club

If you would like your child to learn Hindi next term then please register your interest at learnwithfun11@gmail.com.



Winter PE Kit

It has been bitterly cold at times this week and I would encourage all children to have winter PE kit. I will ask all staff to make them wear winter kit as they may be outside.

YouTube Safety Factsheet

There have been a number of stories recently about the videos on YouTube. I attach a link to our website for an information sheet which may help you, as parents, to protect your children from unwanted images.



SEND Information Report

Our SEND information report is now available on our website. Mrs Newman would like any feedback via email to the main admin address. She would also like parents to know that interventions will stop week commencing 11th December. <http://cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk/home-page/seninclusion/>



Library resources

Miss Ferguson is working with the Chorleywood Bookshop to audit and replace large numbers of our book stock. We also have some fundraising ideas to develop this further.



School calendar

Please check the calendar dates listed below to make sure that you have any important dates in your diary. We do try to keep this updated as much as possible.

★ Golden Pupils

This week we celebrated the following children for their achievements:

Year 3: Abhiram, Amna, Aman, Maya, Sugrah, Chloe

Year 4: Liam, Isaac, Amelia, Sophie D, Oscar, Josie

Year 5: Jessica, Liam, Oscar, Riya, William, Scarlett

Year 6: Joseph, Victor, Robbie, Emelia, Maisie, Harvey



Special Mentions also go to:

Handwriting: 1st – Yuqi, 2nd – Neel, 3rd – Myuri

Christmas Tree Decorating: Fraser, Jason, Bradley, Amelie, Emelia

Aman and Diya for Fitter Future

Zakariyya for excellent homework

Freya first place in horse riding competition

Aiden who ran half a marathon

Our kitchen who was awarded 5 Stars for the Food Standards Agency Food Hygiene Rating.

This week the **Golden Broom** has been awarded to **4 Hawthorn**. Well done!

Kind regards

Jenny Sherry and the Office Team

Calendar dates for your diary.....

DECEMBER	
1 st	4 Hazel Class Assembly – 2.45pm – School Hall
3 rd	CSA Christmas Fair – 2pm to 4.30pm – see separate correspondence To be held at Cassiobury Infants and Nursery School
6 th	Primary Schools' Carol Concert – The Colosseum – Year 5 Choir rehearsal @ 9.15am
6 th	Primary Schools' Carol Concert - The Colosseum – Year 5 Choir to arrive by 6.30pm at the latest.
8 th	5 Pear Class Assembly – 9am – School Hall 3 Ash Class Assembly – 2.45pm – School Hall
8 th	Year 5 Rehearsal at St. Luke's Church for Christingle – see separate correspondence
11 th	Christingle at St. Luke's Church – ALL DAY – see separate correspondence Year 3 – AM and Year 4 – PM – Year 5 Choir at both AM and PM services
13 th	Year 5 Trip – Ashmolean Museum
13 th	Steven Finn – England Cricketer visiting school
13 th	Elderly Tea Party – School Hall – 1.30pm
15 th	Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children Charity
15 th	Cassiobury School Orchestra performance to orchestra parents and carers – School Hall – 9am
15 th	4 Holly Class Assembly – 2.45pm – School Hall (Changed from 9am) *
18 th	Year 3 Christmas production – 2pm and 6.30pm
19 th	Non – Uniform day

19 th	AUTUMN TERM ENDS 1.30pm
JANUARY 2018	
3 rd	INSET DAY
4 th	SPRING TERM BEGINS – pupils return to school
11 th	Open Morning for Year 2 parents only – 9am to 10.30am
11 th	Year 6 – Height and Weight Health Questionnaire
12 th	School Orchestra starts back for Spring Term 2018
FEBRUARY	
6 th	Year 6 – Young Voices – 02 Arena – see separate correspondence
12 th – 16 th	HALF TERM
MARCH	
23 rd	Sport Relief
29 th	SPRING TERM ENDS 1.30pm
APRIL	
16 th	SUMMER TERM BEGINS – pupils return to school
MAY	
2 nd – 4 th May	Year 5 Residential – Woodrow High House – more details to follow
21 st – 25 th	Outdoor Learning Week
JUNE	
4 th – 8 th	Street Smart Week
29 th	Inset Day
JULY	
2 nd – 6 th	Year 6 Isle of Wight Trip
12 th	Secondary Transition Day
17 th	Year 6 Production – PM and EVENING performances
19 th	Year 6 Leavers Assembly and tea/coffee with Year 6 parents
19 th	Year 6 Party - TBC
20 th	Non-uniform Day
20 th	SUMMER TERM ENDS 1.30pm
23 rd – 27 th	Occasional Days