

Dear Parents and Carers



### **Jeans for Genes Day**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Jeans for Genes Day. We raised over £230.



### **Cassiobury Schools' Association (CSA)**

Our CSA AGM was held on Tuesday. I would like to thank the 11 parents who turned out on the night. More and more we are asking the CSA to support us with funding as budgets tighten so every bit of help is really appreciated. Several more parents have helped at events this year but the CSA are keen to get more volunteers. The CSA have raised a fantastic amount of money this year, thank you!



### **Year 6 Leavers arrangements**

Are there any Year 6 parents who would like to come forward to have a meeting to discuss the Year 6 leavers arrangements. Please let Mrs Harrison know, in the School Office, and we can arrange a date and time for the meeting.



### **Collection Arrangements**

We ask that you let your child's Class Teacher know in the morning if there is a change of pick up arrangements at 3.20pm.



### **Litter**

Litter is collected regularly around the school. Please remind your child to pick up rubbish particularly at the end of school.



### **Guinea Pigs**

As mentioned in a few newsletters, please contact the School Office if you would like to arrange hosting of the guinea pigs one weekend. Please do not ask me as I do not know who has booked them with the office.



### **Cassiobury Junior School Orchestra**

Mrs Harrison and Mrs Agnew have spoken to the Year 4, 5 and 6 children today in assembly regarding the School Orchestra which starts next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Please see the letter emailed today. If your child wishes to join the orchestra, please consent via the School Gateway and detail when your child passed their Grade 1 on their instrument. We currently welcome brass, strings, woodwind, including recorders.



### **Open Afternoons - 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018 from 3.20pm to 3.40pm**

In response to suggestions from the teachers, we are running open afternoons this year. Each term there will be an open afternoon so that you can see activities and learning that your child has been part of. You will be able to visit all classes on these days. These will replace the class assemblies.



### **Newspapers**

We can use newspaper for a range of activities in school. If you have any unwanted newspaper then please could you drop these to the School Office.



### **Dress Up Day – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

The CSA have requested a Halloween dress up day on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October. Obviously for our children this might be a 'dress down' day rather than fancy dress. Whatever the choice please don't let them be too ghoulish! Please bring in £1 on the day to go towards CSA funds.



### **Remembrance Day**

This year marks 100 years since the Armistice at the end of WW1. To mark the occasion we would like the children to hear from people involved in the services, Royal British Legion or historical societies who may have stories to share. You might also know someone who has some memorabilia to share with the children. I would like to make a display in the school to help mark this special event.



### **Grow Watford**

There will be a cooking demonstration at the Bandstand in Cassiobury Park with Stephen Wheeler, the Grove's Head Chef on 30<sup>th</sup> September from 4pm to 6pm. This has been arranged through 'Grow Watford' founded by one of our parents. Posters can be seen on the display board.



### **Harvest Festival**

Rev Middlebrook will be coming to school to talk to the children on the 9<sup>th</sup> October about Harvest Festival. This year we are donating to the Watford and Three Rivers Refugee Partnership. Please can children bring in the following items to their class from the 1<sup>st</sup> October so a class Harvest Box can be prepared:

Their current needs are: Tinned meat and fish, tinned vegetables, sweetcorn & fruit, soup, sponge puddings, rice puddings, custard, tin tomatoes, pasta sauce, rice, biscuits, fruit juice (long life), milk (UHT), breakfast tea, cereals & sugar.



### **School Council/Eco Council Members**

Application forms for the School Council/Eco Council are available from the children's class teachers from today. All previous council members can re-apply.



### **Dates**

Please check all of the dates at the end of the Newsletter and add them to your calendars.



### **Golden Pupils**

This week we celebrated the following children for their achievements:

Year 3: Ambika B, Zawar S, Eva H, Bethan L, Emily H, Abdul M

Year 4: Zhara T, Daria R, Ethan S, Parnavi S, Bronte V, Sophia L

Year 5: Amelia M, Safwaan S, Owen B, Raisa A, Saffy L, Millie T

Year 6: Sophie H, Kian C, Victoria O, Carys L, Lara T, Isla S

### Special Mentions:

**Aanya B** – Completed Reading Challenge

**Aanya B** – now level 3 on Ice Skating lessons

**Ayaan P** – Selected from Hertfordshire County Under 10's Badminton Junior Squads – being trained with the Under 10 County Coaches

**Jack G** – accepted in the Under 9's Elite player development centre at Tottenham Hotspur

**Charlotte G** – successfully trialled for the Under 10's Watford Girls FC academy team and been accepted in to the Arsenal FC girls player development programme

**Zak I** – Grade 1 Trumpet

**Olivia C** – Grade 1 Cornet

**Isaac J** – Grade 1 Trumpet

**Kian P** – Grade 1 Trumpet

**Joel S** – Grade 3 Cornet

**William R** – Grade 3 Trumpet

**Christopher F** – Grade 1 Trombone

### Calendar dates for your diary....

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 (60 children) – Cross Country Competition
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	CSA - Christmas Fair & Events Planning @ 7.30pm - Infant School Oak Room.
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 5 Cross Country Competition – Queen's School – 1.30pm to 2.30pm
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 visit to Crucial Crew – see separate correspondence
9 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6 - Quicksticks Hockey Competition – Queen's School – 10am to 12noon
9 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival Assembly – 1pm – see separate correspondence
10 <sup>th</sup>	Individual School Photos
11 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6 - Quicksticks Hockey Competition – Watford Boys School – 1pm to 3pm
15 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 visit – Chiltern Open Air Museum – see separate correspondence
22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent/Carer Consultation evenings (3.30pm to 7pm)
24 <sup>th</sup>	SEND/Inclusion Coffee Morning – 9am to 10am – if you would like to attend please email <a href="mailto:senco@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk">senco@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk</a>
26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Inset Day</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 and 6 Mini Basketball Competition – Queen's School – 10am to 3pm
7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 – WWII Historical Workshop @ school – 9.30am to 12noon
8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 – Speed Stacking Competition – Watford Grammar School for Girls
13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 and 6 Quicksticks Hockey Competition Final – Queen's School – 10am to 12noon
13 <sup>th</sup>	Speed Stacking Competition at Queen's School – Year 3 and 4 – 1pm to 2.30pm
15 <sup>th</sup>	Celebrating Learning – Open Afternoon from 3.20pm to 3.40pm
15 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Primary Schools' Carol Concert rehearsal at Bushey Manor Junior School – more details to follow
16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Holly – Hazard Alley visit – see separate correspondence

16 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need – Spotacular Day – more details to follow
19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Hazel and 4 Hawthorn – Hazard Alley visit – see separate correspondence
20 <sup>th</sup>	Speed Stacking Final Competition at Queen’s School – Year 3 and 4 – 1pm to 2.30pm
20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 and 6 Mini Basketball Final Competition – Queen’s School – 10am to 3pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Talk for parents and carers – Internet Safety – 7pm to 8.30pm – School Hall
24 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fair
26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 – Planetarium Solar System Experience @ school – 9am to 3pm
28 <sup>th</sup>	6 Maple visit to Bentley Priory Museum – see separate correspondence
29 <sup>th</sup>	6 Beech and 6 Oak visit to Bentley Priory Museum – see separate correspondence
30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Occasional Day</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Primary Schools’ Carol Concert – Year 5 – more details to follow
12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Christmas Production – Date and times to be confirmed – matinee and evening performance
14 <sup>th</sup>	OAP Charity Coffee morning (Contact the Elderly) – 9.30am to 11am
21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Term Ends</b>
<b>JANUARY 2019</b>	
7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Back to school for Spring Term 2019</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 2019</b>	
15 <sup>th</sup>	SEND/Inclusion Coffee Morning – 9am to 10am – if you would like to attend please email <a href="mailto:senco@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk">senco@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk</a>
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
28 <sup>th</sup>	Celebrating Learning – Open Afternoon from 3.20pm to 3.40pm
<b>MARCH 2019</b>	
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 - Affinity Water Trip
20 <sup>th</sup>	Talk for parents and carers – Managing anxiety and self-esteem – 7pm to 8.30pm – School Hall
21 <sup>st</sup>	Down Syndrome Awareness Day
<b>APRIL 2019</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup>	Autism Awareness Week
5 <sup>th</sup>	Term Ends 1.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter Holiday
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Back to school for Summer Term 2019</b>
30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 and 4 Tennis – Watford Girls School – 1pm to 3pm
<b>MAY 2019</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 5 Woodrow High House Trip
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 3 and 4 Tennis – Queen’s School – 10am to 12noon
6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	Class Photos
21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 3 and 4 Tennis Final – Queen’s School – 10am to 12noon
24 <sup>th</sup>	SEND/Inclusion Coffee Morning – 9am to 10am – if you would like to attend please email <a href="mailto:senco@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk">senco@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk</a>
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>JUNE 2019</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 and 6 – Kwik Cricket – Watford Boys School – 9.30am to 12.30pm
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 and 4 Tri Golf – Watford Boys School – 1pm to 3pm

18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 and 6 Archery Competition – Queen’s School – 10am to 12noon
21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Day – PM - TBC
<b>JULY 2019</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Isle of Wight Trip
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 5 Athletics – Watford Boys School – 1pm to 3pm
9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Athletics Final – Queens School – 10am to 12noon
19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Term Ends 1.30pm</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Inset Day</b>
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