

Dear Parents and Carers



Class assemblies

Class assemblies start again this term. The first ones are 6H and 4K next Friday. 6H assembly will be at 9am and 4K at 2.45pm. Family members are encouraged to come but please do not bring in young children if they make any noise as this is unfair on the other parents and pupils. Please make sure that you enter the school via the School Office and sign in.



NSPCC

The NSPCC visited the school this week with advice and guidance for the pupils. As part of the fundraising for their work, they ask schools to support by various fundraising activities.

Some of our pupils in Year 5 are running a fundraising stall on Friday 10th February. They will be selling homemade bookmarks, second hand books and origami figures. All money raised will be sent to the NSPCC. Please help them by sending in any unwanted books which could be sold on their stall. These must be brought to the School Office porch area on Wednesday 8th February. The sale will be held on the lower school playground at break time, lunch time and after school (if it is raining then it will be held inside).



School Dinner Payments

Please may I remind you that we are not allowed to offer credit. We cannot offer a school meal without payment in advance. Please make sure that you are up to date with your child's lunch payments or send them in with a packed lunch. It is your responsibility to provide them with a lunch.



SEN Information Report

Mrs Newman has put the SEN information report on the school website. We would like any questions or comments on this document emailed to the admin@ address by Friday the 17th February. Please mark the email **SEN report** so that they are correctly forwarded to Mrs Newman.



Home School Agreement

Mr Stanley has reviewed the Home School Agreement which can be found at:

<http://cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk/home-page-keep-blank/curriculum/>

If you would like to comment on this document then please email comments to him via the admin@ address marked **Home School Agreement**.



Student Teachers

We have agreed to take a number of student teachers this year. One of them, Mrs Munro, finishes next Friday. I am sure that the children will wish her well in her next school.



Steel Pans

Our steel pan lessons finish next week. The children have had a very lively time with their teacher. Unfortunately she cannot run the steel pan concert at present but we will look for opportunities for performances at a later date.



Golden Pupils

Our golden pupils this week are as follows:

Year 6: Krish M, Michelle L, Sam VDN, Rayyan H, Zakariyaa S and Raahil B.

Year 5: Zoha N, Devani O, Hollie M, Kieran G, Alexa M and Yuqi D.

Year 4: Jake D, Rayyan M, Zakariya R, Aarav P, Liam K, Jahn A and Oscar A.

Year 3: Nikita N, Sydney S, Christina W, Oliver H, Arjun S and Raisa A.

Miss Ferguson also received a mention for her effort and enthusiasm with PE leadership.



Junior School Disco

The CSA is delighted to be holding the first disco of 2017 at the Junior School, on Friday 24th February. There will be 3 slots:

3.30pm – 4.30pm: Year 3

4.45pm – 5.45pm: Year 4

6pm – 7pm: Years 5 and Year 6

Tickets are £5.00 (including unlimited squash) and available to purchase on the School Gateway system from Tuesday 7th February 2017. Tickets won't be issued for the disco, if you have paid online your child has a space! So that we ensure we have enough adults for the number of children attending, tickets are only available to purchase in advance and won't be available on the day. Please purchase your tickets by Tuesday 21st February.

Parents do not need to attend the disco with their children but we need your help! Thank you so much to everyone who helped at last year's disco. We really appreciate the help and support given by parents to serve squash, sell tuck and help keep the children safe. We need seven parent helpers for each of the three sessions. If you are able to help, please email Sarah at sarahwhite80@btinternet.com. If we don't get enough volunteers for any of the time slots then unfortunately that time slot will be cancelled, which we obviously don't want to happen. So if you can, please help. If you happen to also be first aid trained, let us know in your email!

We hope the children enjoy the disco and thank you for supporting the CSA.



Young Voices Concert & Tube Strike

The Young Voices concert is on Monday afternoon and evening. Due to the late return time, many of the children will benefit from a later start the next day. We will keep the registers open for Year 6 children (and their siblings going to watch) until 11am on the Tuesday. We have also swapped the release time for the Year 6 teachers so that the children are not missing Maths or English on the Tuesday morning. Also please remember that there is a planned tube strike from Sunday to Wednesday next week which may affect your journey.



Calls to the School Office

We receive many calls to the School Office during the day regarding pick up arrangements. Please make sure that your child is aware of pick up arrangements prior to the start of the day. The Office cannot be expected to get messages to all of the classes at short notice. They may be dealing with a first aid issue or delivering messages to other parts of the school. The answerphone will be checked at least once in a 24 hour period.



Open Morning

Some of you will know that I scared the teachers by 'suggesting' an open morning and once you all arrived I can confirm that I terrified them! It was a really positive morning and one that we will repeat. Thank you for the feedback that was left on the day. We have shared all of this with the staff. If you have any further suggestions to make then please email them to me. We will also have an open evening in the summer term.



Contact

If you need to speak to me then feel free to email in to the school. I am often able to speak on the phone if you wish to call.

Kind regards

Jenny Sherry and the Office Team