

Curwen Primary School Together Everyone Achieves More

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# WELCOME TO YEAR 6

Are we going on any trips?

Welcome back .

What are we learning about this year?

When are we doing PE?

What is the name of your teacher?





The members of staff who will be working in Year 6 this year are:

Assistant Head Teacher: Mr Smale

Head of Year: Mrs Richards

Teachers: Miss Adjekum, Mrs Clements, Miss Koyoncu,

**Miss Carter and Miss Ferreira** 

Support Staff:

Mrs Roberts, Mr Cameron, Mr Hearn, Miss Khatun





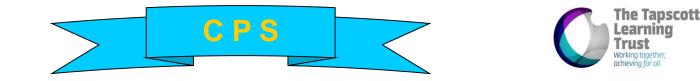
# <u>Curwen's Management Team</u>

Each year group has a Year Group Leader. For Year 6 this is Mrs Richards.

Each year group has an Assistant Head Teacher responsible for the phase. For Year 6 this is

Mr Smale.

We also have an Assistant Head Teacher responsible for Safeguarding, Ms Sandhu. Our Deputy Head Teacher is Ms White. Mrs Mansfield is the Head of School. Mr Harris is the Executive Head Teacher, and works across the Tapscott Learning Trust.



# **Safeguard & Pastoral Team**



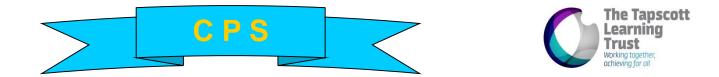
# **Safeguarding Team**

Ms Sandhu – Designated Safeguarding Lead / Safeguarding & Child Protection

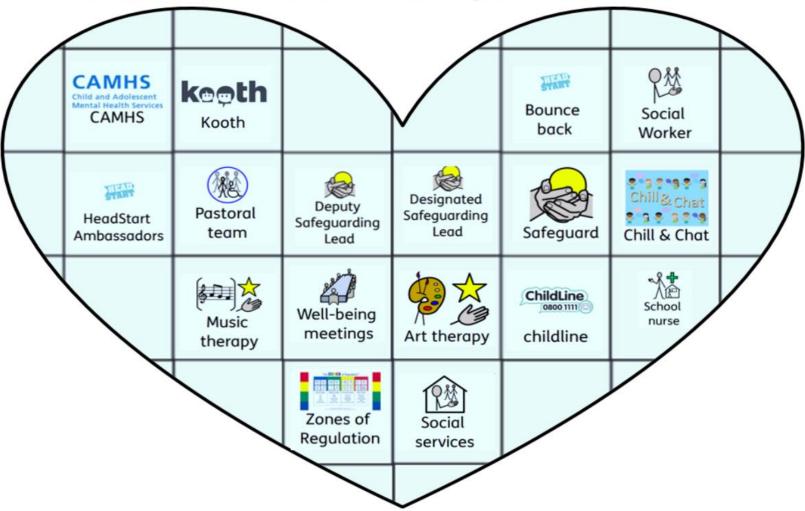
Mr Cameron – Assistant Designated Safeguarding Lead/ Pastoral Team Lead

Mrs Twatchman- Family & Behaviour / Support Worker

Mrs O'Hanlon- Family & Behaviour / Support Worker



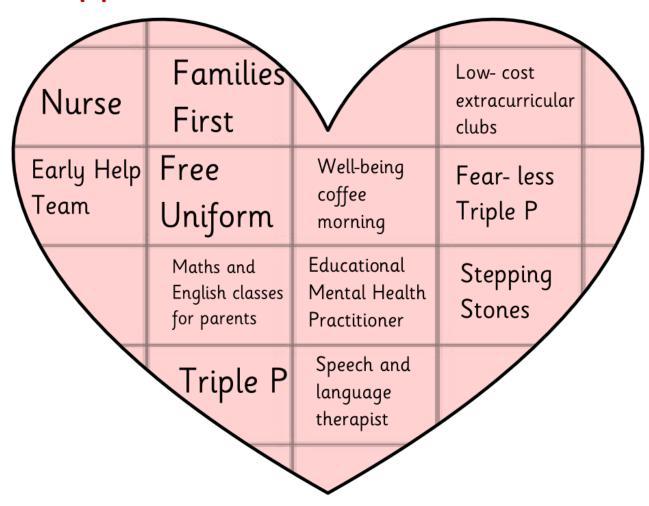
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#### Support at Curven for Parents



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#### Arriving at School

Gates to the playground will be open at 8:35am but there will be <u>no staff in the playground until 8:45am</u>, so you will need to supervise your children. Children are not permitted to use the playground equipment/climbing frames at this time.

Classroom doors will open at 8.45 am and close at 8.55 am everyday, any children who are late should make their way to the main office with a parent/carer and wait outside until your child/ren can be escorted to their class.

If you want to come to Breakfast Club it is from 7.45 - 8.30 am everyday and costs £1. (Children will not be admitted after 8.30am). Entrance to breakfast club is via the main office.





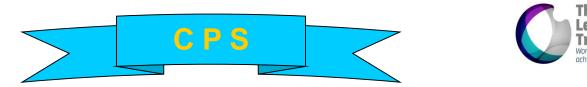
### Collecting your child

You must collect your children from their classrooms at **3:15pm**. Gates will be open from 3:10pm for you to wait in the playground but children won't be dismissed until 3:15pm.

The playground gates will be closed at **3:25pm**. After this time, you are late and you will need to collect from the office.

If your child is collected after 3:30pm you may be charged a late fee.

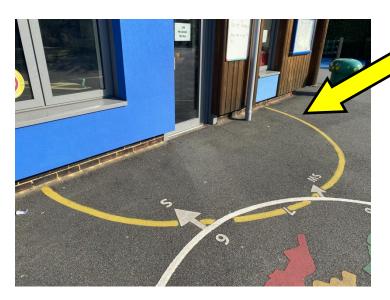
PLEASE PHONE THE OFFICE AS SOON AS YOU KNOW YOU ARE GOING TO BE LATE COLLECTING YOUR CHILD TO AVOID BEING CHARGED.



Collecting your child - safety at the classroom door

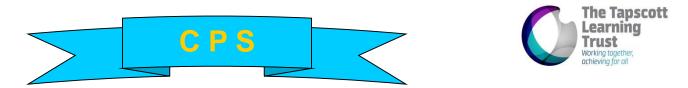
Please be patient with teachers and staff whilst we get to know your faces at the end of the day.

We want to make sure that the children are sent home safely, so please be patient. The teacher may be speaking to a parent, so it may take a minute or 2 to dismiss your child.



Please stand back from the yellow arches to give children space to come out of the classrooms.

PLEASE PHONE THE OFFICE IF SOMEONE DIFFERENT IS COLLECTING YOUR CHILD AT THE END OF THE DAY



#### <u>Scooter & bike safety - before/after school</u>

The playground is a very busy place so all children and adults must COMPLETELY dismount from scooters and bikes once on school premises. Expect to be spoken to by school staff and if it continues, your child may not be permitted to bring their scooter/bike to school any longer.

Last year there were several collisions/injuries in the playground relating to scooter/bike usage before & after

school.







Thank you for helping to keep all of our school community safe.





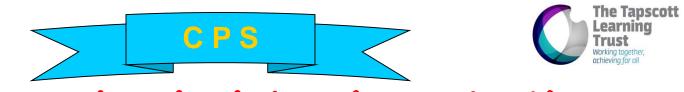
#### After school childcare provision

After school we have a 6 o'clock club. This runs Monday to Friday and is open to anyone.

The cost is  $\pounds 12$  per day and children are supervised by members of school staff.

This club is flexible - some children stay all week but others only stay on certain days but this must be booked in advance. Please book by 12pm on Fridays, otherwise you will be charged an emergency fee.

Please speak to a member of the office staff if you would like more information about 6 o'clock club.



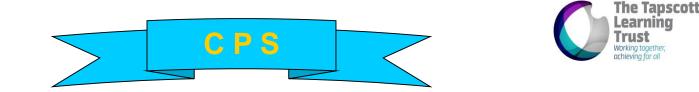
# After school clubs (Yrs 1-6)

There will be 2 types of clubs after school

(1) <u>Additional Tutoring/invite</u> – these are additional learning support sessions delivered after school for specific children. School staff decide on who needs to attend these & they are free. Starting end of September.

(2) <u>Extra-curricular activities</u> e.g. cooking, art, sports, gymnastics – there will be a charge for some of these activities. Open to all children. Starting after October Half Term Holiday.

Letters will be coming out in the next couple of weeks about this.



# Half-term Holiday club

#### In the October half-term holiday we are running a 2 day holiday club for years 1-6 at Curwen 10am-3pm (Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tues 24<sup>th</sup> October)

# There is a charge for this club to cover the running costs.

Again, letters will be coming out about this in the coming weeks.



- Dark Grey or Navy skirt, pinafore dress, tailored trousers, or tailored shorts
- <u>NO</u>leggings, joggers, jeggings or jeans & <u>White</u>, <u>Black</u> or <u>Grey</u> socks/tights
- **<u>Navy Blue</u>** jumper or cardigan (<u>NO</u> hoodies or branded jumpers or P.E. t-shirts) Curwen logo jumpers, cardigans and fleeces can be bought at the school office
- <u>White</u> shirt (long or short sleeve) or White polo shirt
- <u>Blue</u> Summer Dress
- Hairbands/bobbles Plain blue, black or white not too big

<u>Footwear:</u> Shoes or trainers- <u>NO</u> open-toed sandals or Heelys Wellies can be worn but pupils must change into their shoes when inside the school

Any Hijabs- NO pins: White, Navy or Black

P.E. KIT <u>Curwen Blue P.E. t-shirt</u> -Sold at the school office <u>Black</u> joggers, leggings or shorts **Footwear**-comfortable trainers

Jewellery - <u>Only</u> stud earrings and a watch (no smartwatches) Pupils will be asked to remove any unsuitable jewellery or hair dressings. The school cannot be held responsible for the loss or damage of these items as a result of this. <u>NO</u> make-up, nail polish or false nails

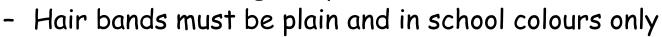


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### Uniform & Clothing

- Uniform and jewellery
  - Name in every item of clothing
  - Small, stud earrings only

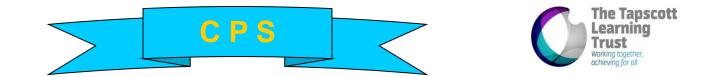


- Sensible shoes

#### • <u>PE Kit (Thursday)</u>

- Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit and suitable footwear
- At the moment children will not be changing at school
- Name in every item of clothing, including vests
- Lost Property
  - Please encourage your child to put their jumpers/cardigans in their trays or school bags if they take them off
  - All lost property is disposed of at the end of every half term
  - Parents/carers are not permitted in the building to look for lost items







#### ALL payments should be made online through 'School Money' (including uniform)

Please ensure you receive a receipt and keep for your records.

Please **DO NOT** hand cash or cheques to class teachers.

If you need any help setting this up then please speak to office staff.

# **<u>Celebration/birthday treats</u>**

We request that parents **do not** send in party bags, sweets or treats for their child's birthday as this becomes very difficult for us to manage in school.

To celebrate children's birthdays, we invite them to wear **non-uniform** when it is their birthday. That way staff know it is their birthday and we can make it a special day for them. If their birthday falls on a Saturday, Sunday or in the holidays then they can choose whether to celebrate the Friday before or Monday after.







# <u>Water bottles</u>

- Please ensure your child brings a water bottle (with water!) each day
- This should be labelled with your child's name and class
- The children do now have access to water fountains around the school which are cleaned regularly.





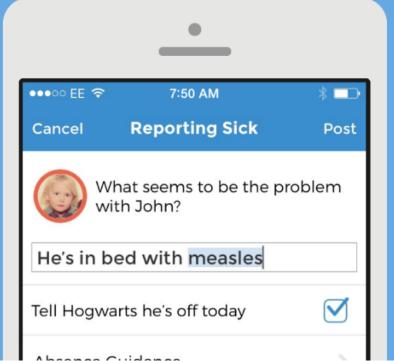
- All medical and dental appointments should be arranged outside of the school day.
- Where this is not possible, please inform us through Studybugs and provide evidence of the appointment.
- If your child is at an appointment in the morning, and you can not get them back to school before 12pm, then they should not come back until 1pm.
- No children will be admitted back into school during the lunch hour 12-1pm.



# Report absences through our app...

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Studybugs for Parents and Carers



# A better, safer way to report when your child is sick and off school.

With a few quick taps or clicks, you can give your child's school all they need to record absence due to illness.

Get the free mobile app now...



...and get useful school info straight to your phone! If your child is reported absent and we have not heard from you our attendance officer will be conducting home visits





# **Medical Conditions**

Please ensure that all medical details are up-to-date – if anything changes, please let us know **immediately** by speaking to the **office**.

All children with asthma should have an asthma pump permanently in class (make a note expiry date so you know when to contact your GP). If they require any other prescribed medication, then please bring this to the office ONLY. **DO NOT GIVE ANY MEDICATION OR ASTHMA PUMPS TO CLASS TEACHERS OR SEND IT IN YOUR CHILD'S BAG** Throughout the year we will be contacting parents to update care plans. This is a legal requirement to ensure pupils are safe in school.



If your child hurts themselves outside of school and it is necessary for them to wear a cast/bandage/support or have crutches etc, then you must inform us as soon as possible and accompany your child to the **main office** on their first day of return.

Staff will help you to complete a temporary health care plan before letting them come into school. This is for their own safety.

Please bring with you any paperwork that you are given from the A & E department or doctors.





# Behaviour at Curwen

Children behave very well at Curwen and usually make the right choices. However we firmly believe that no one child's behaviour will ever be allowed to disrupt the learning of the rest of the class.

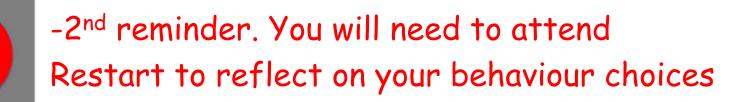
Children are made aware of the school rules and they are rewarded to follow them through receiving team point tokens, certificates, stickers etc





### <u>Behaviour at Curwen</u>

### We use a visual traffic light system to remind children of their behaviour choices and associated consequences.



-1<sup>st</sup> warning. You need to think carefully about the choices you are making right now

-Well done, you are making the correct choices





### **Behaviour at Curwen**

Restart is an opportunity for a child to take some time away from their class to reflect on their behaviour choices. They are supported by the pastoral team to talk about strategies they can use next time.

You will always be informed of this and every day is a new day.







#### Autumn term

Our theme for this term is Local Achievements and we will look at the Elizabethan era including some of Shakespeare's famous works.

#### Spring term

Our theme for the Spring term is National achievements. We will learn about WWII, including the Windrush generation and their impact on our country.

#### Summer term

Our theme for the Summer term is Our achievements. We will focus on the lead up to SATs, and the children will be prepared to successfully transition to secondary school.

More curriculum information is available on our website.





#### <u>Year 6 SATs</u>

- •Government requirement
- Tests include: reading, grammar, spelling, maths arithmetic and two maths reasoning papers
- •They will take place the week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 - please do NOT take any family holidays this week!

•Children will be encouraged to do their best, but please do not panic about these and do not put unnecessary stress onto your children.

#### Lots of useful curriculum information can be found on our website:



There will be homework available on this page:

Homework will be uploaded and completed by children on Google Classroom. Until children have been taught how to access and use Google Classroom, we will be uploading online activities for children to complete for their homework.

Homework - Friday 18th September 2020

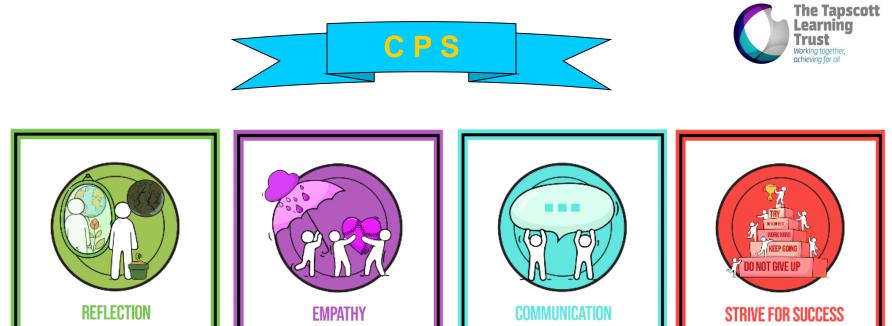
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Reading: Read Fun Festivals on Bug Club.	In Maths we have been learning about place value.	Our new topic is 'Who Am I'?
Complete the activities/	Practice reading numbers with your child.	Talk to your child about where they and/or other

Bounceback

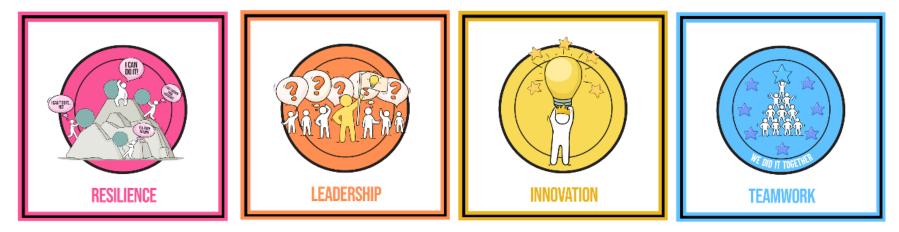
Homework

Welcome Meeting Info

Y2 Termly update & photos



# **Curwen's Core Skills**







#### But are we going on any trips?

We will be going on educational trips to support our learning and will have visitors in to share their experiences with us.

These will include: Autumn – London's South Bank

**Spring** – Residential- Fairplay House Chislehurst Caves

Summer -

Swimming, Chessington, cinema, Nandos, Natural History Museum, Church

The trip form that went out this week gives permission for your children to attend all of these trips (EXCEPT FPH and Chessington). Reminder slips will be sent home before your child goes on a trip.

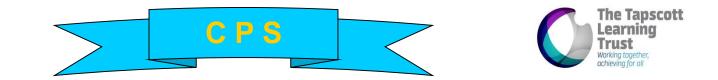




#### Year 6 general timetable

	8:45	8:55 - 10.30	10:30	10:45	11:00 - 12:00	12:00 -	1.00 -		3.00 -		
	- 8:55		- 10:45	- 11:00		1:00	1:00-2:00	2:00-	3:00	3.15	
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#### RSE (Relationship & Sex Education)

Relationship and Health education was made mandatory for all primary schools to teach from spring 2020. It will be delivered through the school's PSHE (personal, social, health and economic education) curriculum.

Our curriculum was designed in consultation with Parents and is in now in place from September 2021.

More information will follow this meeting for those that wish to find out more.



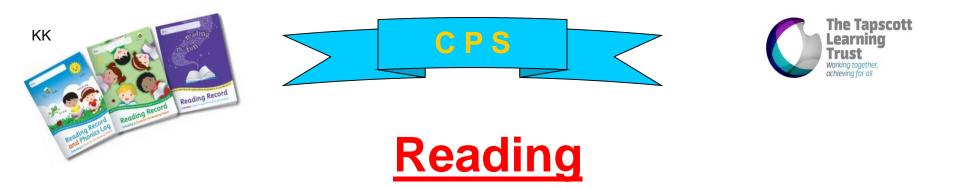




All homework will be put online onto your Child's Google Classroom account each Thursday or Friday. There will be a literacy task, a maths task and sometimes a topic project. This will usually be revision of topics that have

been covered in class that week.

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are having any problems with this.

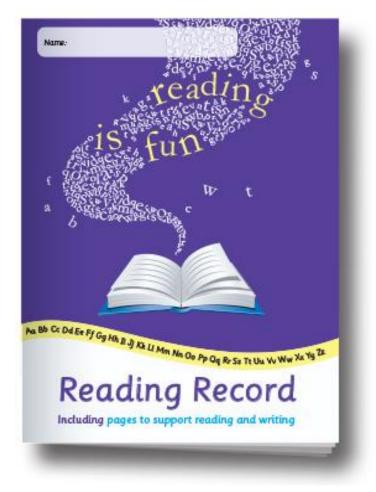


- In Year 6 we expect pupils to be reading for at least 30 minutes (5 times per week minimum) to help pupils build on their fluency and enjoyment in reading.
- Children will soon be given a book by their teacher which they will be able to read independently. They can also select a fiction and a non-fiction book from the school library.
- Year 6's library day: Wednesday PM
- Please ensure books are placed in their book bags for these days.
- Reading book changing will take place when your child has finished their reading book.

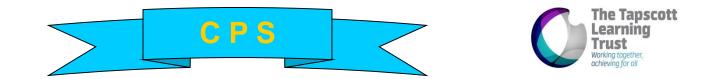


# Home learning

### **Reading Record**



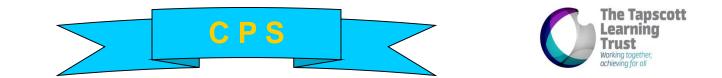
To be completed DAILY with a sentence written by the children about what they have read that day.



# Online Home learning

# (1) <u>Bug Club</u>

- An online reading & grammar resource
- Available for children to use at home and in school
- Login, username and school password will be sent out very soon.
- If you ever misplace your logins please send us a message directly on studybugs.



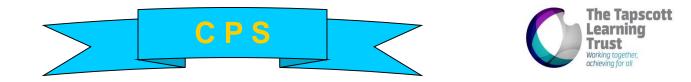
## Online Home learning 2

(2) <u>Times Tables Rock stars</u>

https://ttrockstars.com/

(3) <u>Espresso</u> (learning platform/all subjects)

★ PUPIL LOGIN DETAILS ★
 Curwen Primary School
 Username: student20621
 Password: cur123
 Log in at:
 www.discoveryeducation.co.uk



## Online Home learning

## (4) <u>Google Classroom</u>

-All children in years 1-6 are now familiar with how to log on and access homework on Google Classroom.

- -Your child's log in details again with be sent to you shortly.
- Please do not message teachers on this platform.





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# In class we have displayed three main rules to stay safe online:

- Don't share personal information
- Don't communicate with strangers
- Tell a trusted adult if you are worried about something

### **Stranger Danger applies online!!!!**

## INTERNET SAFETY Online Gaming

Is the content age appropriate?

Fortnite PGI=12 years old RoadBlox=7 years old Hello Neighbour PGI=13 years old

Lots of games have communication facilities that allow strangers to contact your child. Do you know who your child is 'chatting' to?

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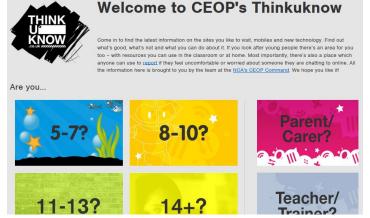
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If you are ever concerned about accessing information online or have any questions about accessing internet safety, you can speak to your class teacher or the ICT co-ordinator (Mr Woolstencroft).

There are several websites offering help and advice about how to stay safe online. Just search 'e-safety', e.g.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/









## Use of mobile phones



Over recent years, the number of issues reported to us regarding mobile phones has increased hugely. Reported issues are beginning from year 4, although we are aware that even younger children also have mobile phones.

At Curwen we see beginning to use a mobile phone, the internet and apps as a learning process. Much as the children learn what acceptable behaviour is in different 'real life' situations, they also need to be taught how to behave in the online world.

We rely on parents and carers to support us with this, and we cannot impress strongly enough how **crucial** it is for parents/carers to check children's phones **daily.** 

If there are any issues, please speak to your child and make sure you report this to a member of staff.







Issues we have had





 Sharing pictures of themselves / other people without consent to do so

 Sending messages including unacceptable and offensive language

- •Watching and sharing programmes and videos rated 18+
- Bullying, name calling and isolating peers through groups
  Setting up video calls (Facetime/Zoom) to share inappropriate images/videos

•Watching and sharing inappropriate songs/videos and repeated highly offensive language found within them







Suggested rules for using phones at home



1.Phones only to be used in shared family spaces, never alone in bedrooms.

2.Children to 'hand in' phones when they go to bed

- 3.No apps to be installed on phones without parental permission. Parents to check these first
- 4.Think before clicking 'send'. Would my mum / dad / teacher approve of this message?
- 5.No sending or sharing selfies or photographs without permission from parents/carers

6.No Whatsapp groups. Speak to people on a 1-1 basis only



## How can you support your child's learning?

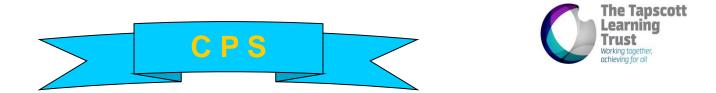
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- Homework
- Reading records discussing the text with your child and asking them questions
- Handwriting
- BUG Club & other online learning
- Practising times tables
- Come wearing P.E. KIT each Thursday
- Participate in any parent opportunities
- Talking about their experiences



At the end of the school day, your children have lots to share with you. They may have stickers or they may have learnt something really exciting they would like to tell you about! Please, leave your phones in your pockets for 10 minutes while you greet your child.

And please don't be offended if we don't let your child out until you have finished your call.



When collecting your children, please welcome them with a smile, not a mobile phone.

This ensures teachers can quickly and safely hand over children and relay any messages.

Please remember to inform the office as well as the class teacher of any changes in the collection of your child.









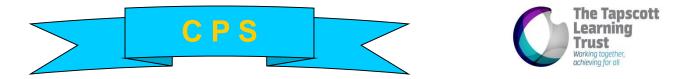
## Support from Curwen...



We are **always** happy to offer parents support with any queries, questions or concerns. Please contact school if this is the case.

We also have courses available via National Online Safety which is a paid-for training provider. We send out their weekly updates.





#### 2023-2024 Big Events @ Curwen

- Jeans for genes 15<sup>th</sup> September (50p charity donation)
- Parents' Evening 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October (via Zoom)
- Children in Need- 17<sup>th</sup> November (dress in something spotty)
- Christmas Concert TBC
- FPH Group 1 =  $15^{th} 17^{th}$  Jan, Group 2 =  $17^{th} 19^{th}$  Jan
- Parents' Evening 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February (in school)
- World Book Day Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March
- International Family Week Starts- 18th March
- Carnival Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- Easter Bonnet Parade 25<sup>th</sup> March
- Sports Day- 4<sup>th</sup> July
- Summer Concert TBC





## Keeping in touch...

Please download Studybugs, the school app and check our weekly newsletter (online).

Members of school staff are on duty before and after school every day.

Attend coffee mornings for parents, open sessions and workshops. Keep checking the newsletter for more information.

Contact the office to arrange conversations with class teachers via phone if needed. You will be called back when the teacher is not teaching.





### How to find out what's going on...

- School newsletter (sent via App/paper copies from office)
- School News App School website
- 'What we are learning' leaflet (termly)
- Check your child's school bag for letters
- Window notices
- Notice boards
- Speaking to staff before and after school
- Telephone/visit the school office

## Secondary School

- Sadly, this year will be your child's last at Curwen
- This means they will be venturing out into the big wide world and starting secondary school
- We know that this can be a difficult and often stressful time for both parents and children
- Please try not to panic!

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### NATIONAL CLOSING DAY



#### • Step 1 Add a reminder for at least 3 days before the closing date!



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Tuesday 31st Oct 2023						







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### OUR COMPOSITE PROSPECTUS

#### Step 2

In early September primary schools will issue the autumn 2023 edition of: 'We are going to secondary school' guide

Officially known as our composite prospectus

Take time to read this guide from cover to cover, it explains the process in detail and includes important information about going regularly attending school.

Note: Families who do not live in Newham whose child attends a junior or primary school in Newham we are happy to give you a copy of our guide but you must still follow your own borough's processes detailed in their guide.







The Full Digital Version Available Newham website <a href="https://www.newham.gov.uk/">www.newham.gov.uk/</a>

A Shorter Paper Version Will Be Issued To All Parents/Carers of Year 6 Children.











### **BEST ADVICE: WHAT NOT TO DO!**

For all parents/carers, the priority should be to achieve the best outcome for your child's future needs without creating an impossible task.

#### Don't

- Miss the deadline for on time applications late applications don't often get one of their preferences and all popular schools are filled with on time applicants.
- Ignore the advice of the local authority and schools they have done it for many years so really do know the process.
- Choose only to attend the open evening of a few schools
- Pay for advice, any questions you have can be answered by your primary school when they don't know they will find out.
- Name unachievable preferences.
- Listen to rumours and gossip.
- Convince yourself the local schools aren't good enough for your child.



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### **BEST ADVICE: WHAT YOU SHOULD DO**

Deciding on your school preferences is a challenge but remember there are many reliable information sources available to parent and carers to help decide your school preferences:

- Open days and open evenings
- Online virtual school tours
- Official schools websites
- Ofsted reports remember to check the date
- Family and close friends
- Newham's School finder: to calculate home to school distances
- Oversubscription criteria: to determine a child's priority for a place
- Last year's offer tables: see We Are Starting Secondary School



#### Your child's primary school is the best source of good advice!



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#### **MYTH BUSTING**

1) Naming only one preference means you can only be offered that school. False – every preference is considered using the same rules.

2) You don't need to name the school where your older children are on roll because they save your child a place.

**False** – the law does not allow places to be reserved, to be considered you must apply.

#### 3) All applicants must be offered one of their preferred schools.

**False** – the local authority must provide every child living in the borough with a school place, but we only offer a place at a preferred school where it is possible based on supply and demand.







### **MAKING AN APPLICATION**



All local authorities are required to co-ordinate admissions for children moving from primary to secondary schools. In London the 33 local authorities and many of the Home Counties work together to deliver Pan London co-ordination. All London Boroughs use the same application system that you can access direct or via your home local authority.

https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app







### **USE ANY DEVICE TO APPLY ONLINE**



















#### **ADVICE ON HOW TO USE THE**



**Registration Information:** 

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o2WXUD8Fido

How to create an account video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o2WXUD8Fido

#### eAdmissions Helpdesk

Call 0208 255 55 55 option 1 8am - 6pm Monday to Friday

#### WE ARE NEWHAM.

Drop in sessions with Mr Smale to support making an application Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> at 9.05am

Great support is also available from all schools in Newham.







### NATIONAL CLOSING DATE

If you apply after this date your application will be processed as late!

Remember by law late applicants can only be offered the places remaining after the on-time applicants have been given their schools.







### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Once you application has been successfully submitted through the eAdmissions portal an application reference will be issued which will look like this.

#### 316-2024-09-E-001234

Families then need to wait until national offer day 1 March 2024









All families who applied by the national closing date and many late applicants will be notified of the school their child has been offered for year 7 for September 2024.

Online applicants via the eAdmissions portal will be sent an email in the evening of 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 showing their offered school and will be advised to log into their account.

Paper applicants will be sent a letter that is posted on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

The offer will be the highest offer that could be made from the preferences named.

For some families it is possible that none of their preferences can be offered. If this happens their home local authority will allocate an alternative which will be named in the letter.







## Thank you all for listening.

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With your support, we hope that Year 6 will be a memorable and successful year for our children.

If ever, you have any concerns or would like to discuss anything regarding your child, please don't hesitate to ask.

If you contact the office, they will gladly arrange an appointment by phone.

## **Together Everyone Achieves More!**





# Any questions?

