



**Curwen Primary School**  
Together Everyone Achieves More

# WELCOME TO YEAR 3

Are we going on any trips?

What are we learning about this year?

Welcome back . . .



When are we doing PE?

What is the name of your teacher?



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# Introductions . . . .

*The members of staff who will be working in **Year 3** this year are:*

Assistant Head Teacher: **Mr North**

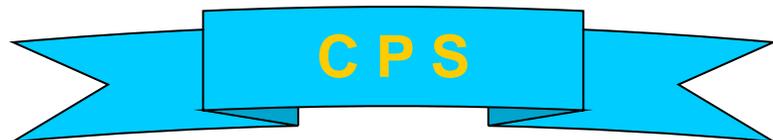
Head of Year: **Ms Hristova**

Teachers:

**Ms Hristova, Ms Mahen, Ms Lam and Ms Forrest**

Support Staff:

**Ms Sharif, Ms Noble**



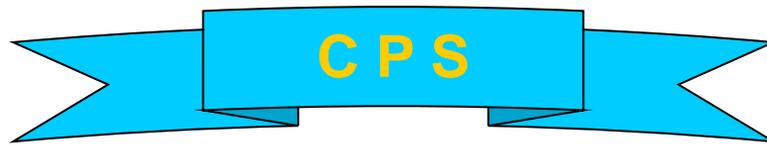
# Curwen's Management Team

We 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 O'Hanlon**- Family & Behaviour / Support Worker



## Arriving at School

Gates to the playground will be open at 8:35am but there will be no staff in the playground until 8:45am, 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 taken to their class.

If you want to come to Breakfast Club it is from 7.45 - 8.30am everyday and costs £1.20 per day. (Children will not be admitted after 8.30am). Entrance to breakfast club is via the main office.



## Collecting your child at the end of the day

Please 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 another 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**



## Scooter & bike safety - before/after school

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 **£13 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**.

**Anyone collecting a child from 6 o'clock club must be 16 years old or over.**

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) Additional Tuition - 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 week beginning 22nd September.*
- (2) Extra-curricular activities e.g. cooking, art, sports, gymnastics - there will be a charge for most 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

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

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



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# Uniform

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

**Footwear:** Shoes or trainers- **NO** 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** **Curwen Blue P.E. t-shirt** -Sold at the school office

**Black** joggers, leggings or shorts      **Footwear-**comfortable trainers

**Jewellery - Only** 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.* **NO** 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
  - Hair bands must be plain and in school colours only
  - Sensible shoes
- PE Kit (Tuesday)
  - Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit and suitable footwear
  - Name in **every** item of clothing, including vests
- Lost Property
  - Please encourage your child to put their jumpers/cardigans in their school bags if they take them off
  - All lost property is disposed of at the end of every half term
  - All 'unnamed' lost property will be placed in boxes in the glass corridor near our Atlas Road entrance.



# Money

**We are still a cash free school.**

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

Please **DO NOT** hand cash to class teachers. On charity collection days, please hand in any cash to staff in the playground holding the blue collection buckets.



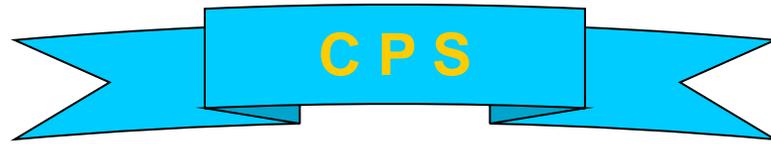
**If you need any help setting this up then  
please speak to office staff.**

# Celebration/birthday treats

We request that parents **do not** send in party bags, sweets, cakes, toys 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.





# Water bottles

- 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.



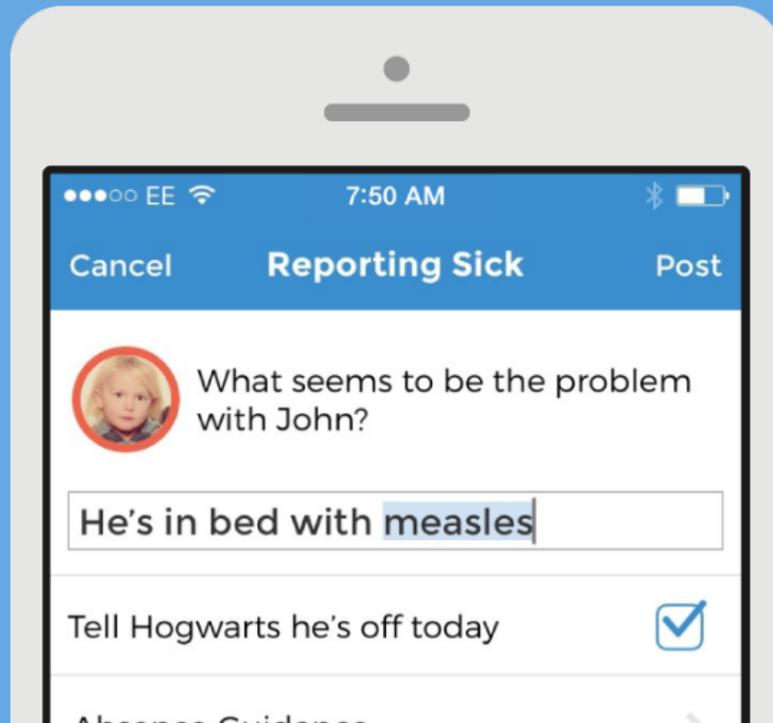
# Appointments

- 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 collected or admitted back into school during the lunch hour 12-1pm.
- No children can be collected from the main office after 3pm.



# Report absences through our app...

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...



...or register online to use via your web browser:

**Register Free!**

Already a user? [Sign in here.](#)

...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.



# Medical Conditions

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.



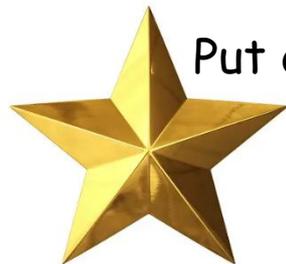
## Behaviour at Curwen

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.

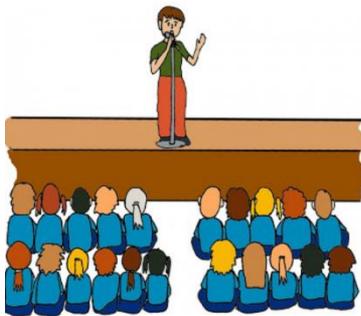
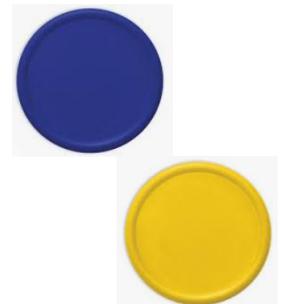


# Positive rewards

Throughout the day and over the course of the year, children who try hard in their work and follow the school rules are rewarded in lots of different ways. Here are just some: Team tokens



Put on the gold star



Celebration assembly



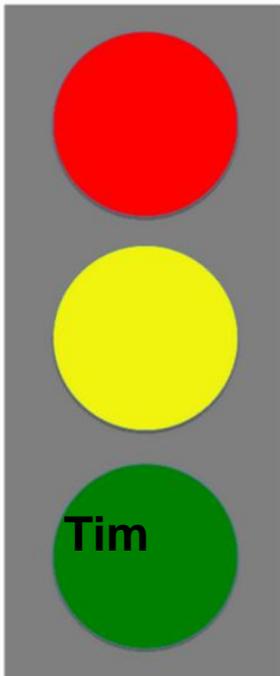
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Danielle	1	Fredrick	1	Giselle	3	Heaven	5	Jacob	3
Jaylen	4	Johnny	3	Joshua	5	Kayla	3	Kemora	3
Leah	2	Melissa	3	Nycollis	2	Sir Chinyan	3	TT'Niyar	2

Dojo points



## Behaviour at Curwen

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



-2<sup>nd</sup> reminder. You will need to attend Restart to reflect on your behaviour choices

-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.



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SHINE

At Curwen, we base our entire curriculum around our aim SHINE. We make sure that all we do works towards this aim.

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Aims  
(SHINE)

**S**uccessful

*High expectations and ready to move on in your learning.*

**H**ealthy & Safe

*Learn how to keep ourselves and others healthy and safe in and out of school.*

**I**dentify

*Learning about ourselves and our community. Understanding our place.*

**N**urtured

*Feeling supported and being able to support others. Knowing how and where to get help.*

**E**ngaged

*Excited and involved during learning. Make the most of opportunities in and out of school.*



## Autumn term

In topic this term, we will focus on Our Local Area and The Stone & Iron Age.

## Spring term

Our topic for the Spring term is Ancient Egypt

## Summer term

Our History topic is Renewable Energy and Volcanoes

*More curriculum information is available on our website.*

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



## Homework

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.

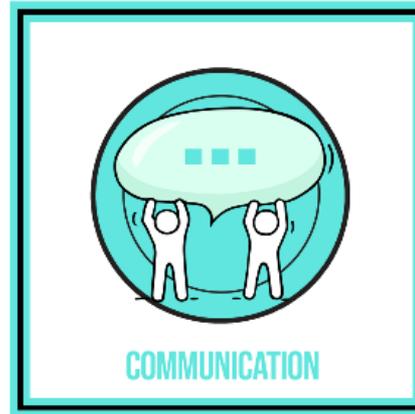
Homework - Friday 18th September 2020

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

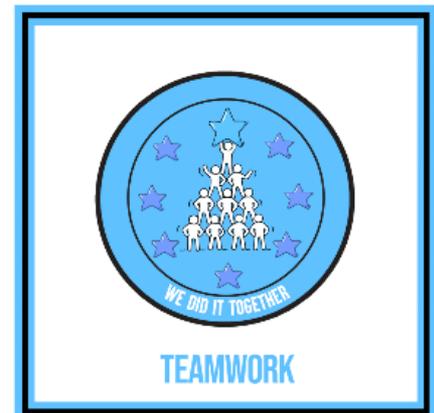
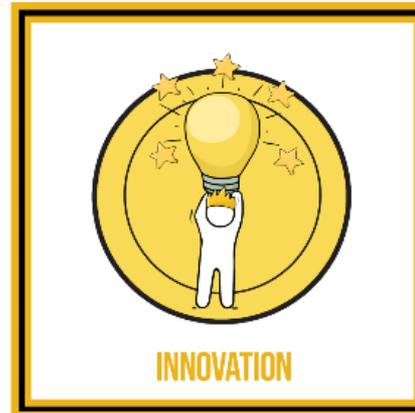
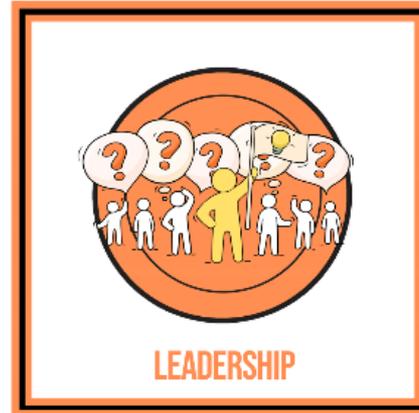


- What we are learning
- Bounceback
- Homework
- Welcome Meeting Info
- Y2 Termly update & photos

# CPS



## Curwen's Core Skills





## 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.

We will be asking for parent volunteers to accompany us on trips to support us by looking after small groups of children. Please read all letters carefully.

Permission slips - if your child attended Curwen last year, then you would have signed a form giving permission for your child to attend trips and this permission continues into this current year, so there is no need for you to do another. Reminder slips will be sent home before each trip.



## Can Parents come on the trips?

Yes! But.....

- This is to HELP the school staff supervise a group of 10 children - keeping them safe and asking the children questions to help them learn on the trip.
- Helping on trips can be **hard work** so please only volunteer if you are physically able too & can walk/stand unaided for significant periods of time.  
We go out in ALL weathers!
- Please only volunteer if you can **DEFINITELY** attend. Pulling out at the last minute really puts us in a difficult position, meaning the trip may have to be cancelled and you won't be asked again.



## Can Parents come on the trips? (continued)

- Reminder letters will be sent home a couple of weeks before each trip.
- At this point, if you are able to volunteer then please inform your child's class teacher asap either verbally or send us a message on Studybugs.
- The teachers will then inform you of which volunteers are required.
- If you have not been chosen to volunteer, then please do not make your own way to the trip venue unless school staff have explicitly said this is okay.
- Throughout the year we will try to ensure that every parent who wishes to support on a trip, gets the opportunity to help at some point, but you won't go on every trip. Teachers will keep a record of who goes on which trip so that it is fair.



## Example of a typical timetable:

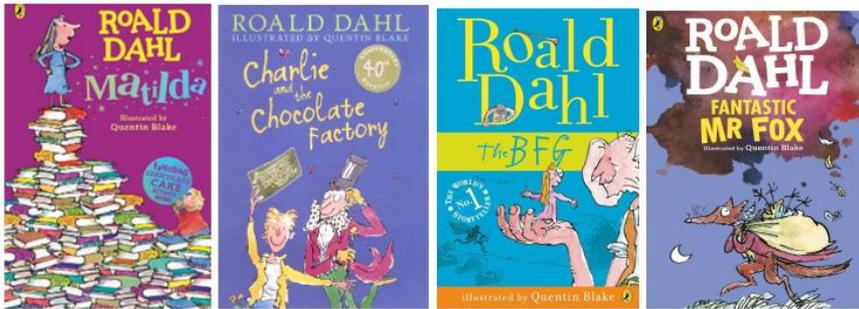
### Year 3 Timetable

	8.45 - 8.55	9 – 9:30	9.00 - 10.30		10:30 - 10:45	10:45 - 11:00	11:00 – 12:00	12:00 – 1:00	1.00 – 2.00	2.00 – 3.00	3.00 – 3.15	
<b>Mon</b>	Soft start	<b>Maths Basic Skills</b>	<b>Literacy</b>	Phase Assembly	<b>Assembly</b>	<b>Break Time</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Lunch – 12.00-1.00</b>	3H/3M = Topic 3F/3L = Science			<b>Story Time</b>
<b>Tue</b>	Soft start	<b>Literacy</b>	Class assembly	<b>Maths</b>			Final week of ½ term = Art or DT					
<b>We</b>	Soft start	<b>Literacy</b>	Class Assembly	<b>Maths</b>			Music – ½ hour Spanish		<b>Topic</b>			
<b>Thur</b>	Soft start	<b>Literacy</b>	Class assembly	<b>Maths</b>			Library					
<b>Fri</b>	Soft start	<b>Literacy</b>					<b>Maths</b>		3H/3M = Science 3F/3L = Topic			
							Final week of ½ term = Art or DT					
							<b>Topic</b>	<b>Handwriting/ Spelling</b>	<b>Whole School Assembly</b>			
							Final week of ½ term = Art or DT					

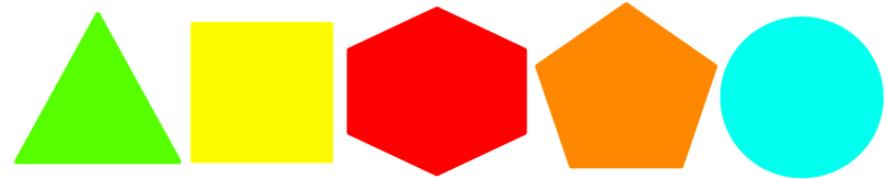


## Seating plans and groups

Morning



Maths



Afternoon



**Seating plans and groups in Year 3 are fluid and can change at any point during the year. This is decided by the class teacher based on various factors.**

# Forest Schools

## What is Forest School?

- It involves child-led sessions in a woodland or natural environment, primarily using natural resources.
- It aims to promote resilient, confident, independent and creative learners.



## Where will Forest School take place?

- Forest School sessions will take place in school.
- The school grounds are also being developed to support more outdoor nature activities.



## What will my child do at Forest School?

- Children carry out a range of outdoor activities that develop their skills and knowledge relating to the National Curriculum.
- Some activities may include: mini beast hunts; plant and animal identification; observation of seasonal changes; land art; tree-climbing; digging; whittling; sawing, den building, fire lighting and outdoor cooking.

## What clothing will my child need to attend Forest School?

- For health and safety reasons, children need to wear weather-appropriate, full length clothing and walking boots or wellies.





## RSHE (Relationships, Sex & Health Education)

Relationship, Sex and Health Education is 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 has been in place from September 2021. This year there should be a further consultation so please attend this so that you are fully informed of all the facts.

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



## Assessment at Curwen

- At Curwen we follow the National Curriculum
- Each Year Group has 'End of Year expectations'
- Throughout the year, your child's teacher uses a range of information to determine what your child can do, and what their next steps are.
- We use their classwork, work books, observations, chats with the children & parents, as well as some test papers at various points in the year to help us work out and share your child's progress with you.
- You can always discuss how your child is doing with the teacher, and their overall attainment will be shared with you in their end-of-year report.



# Homework

All homework will be put online onto your Child's Google Classroom account on Tuesday.

Children will have a reading, grammar, spelling and maths activity to complete. The idea that it is spread over the week and not all done in one go.

Tasks are always a 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.



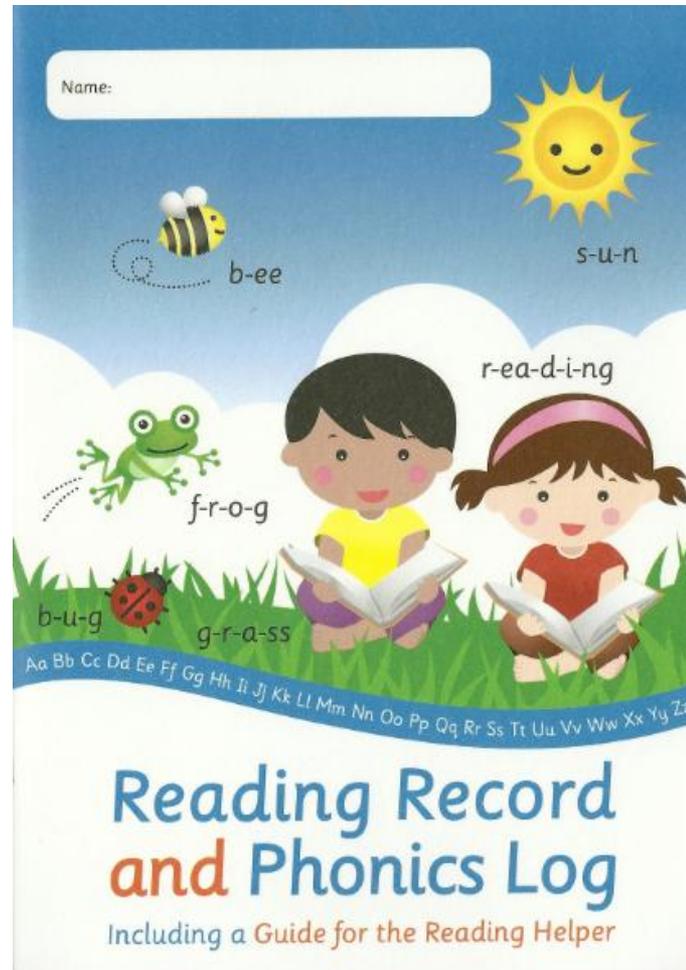
# Reading

- We expect pupils to be reading for at least 10-15 minutes (4 times per week minimum) to help pupils build on their fluency in reading.
- Children will soon be given a book by their teacher which matches their reading level and they can also select either a fiction or a non-fiction book from the school library.
- Year 3's library day is on a Wednesday every other week.
- **Please ensure books are placed in their book bags every day.**
- Reading book changing will take place on different days of the week, so please ensure that your child ALWAYS has these in their book bags.



# Home learning

## Reading Record





# Online Home learning

## (1) Bug Club

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



# Online Home learning 2

(2) Times Tables Rock stars

<https://ttrockstars.com/>



# STAYING SAFE ONLINE

**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!!!!**



If you are ever concerned about accessing information online or have any questions about internet safety, you can speak to your class teacher, Mr Cameron or the Computing Leader (Miss Lam).

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/>



# ONLINE SAFETY

## Online Gaming

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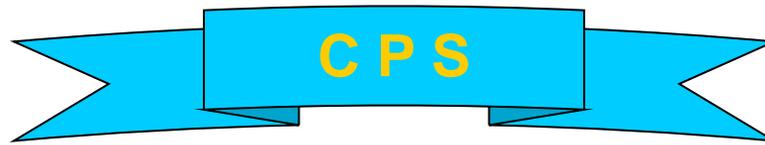
*Fortnite PGI=12 years old*

*RoBlox=7 years old*

*Hello Neighbour PGI=13 years old*

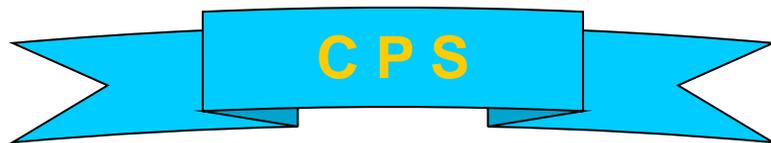


Lots of games have communication facilities that allow strangers to contact your child. Do you know who your child is 'chatting' to?



# How can you support your child's learning?

- 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 Tuesday
- Participate in any parent opportunities (mixture of virtual & in-person)
- Talking about their experiences



## Well-being



At the end of the school day, your children have lots to share with you. They may have stickers, they may have learned something really exciting they'd 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.

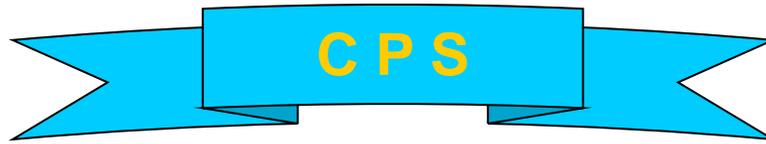
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## 2024-2025 Big Events @ Curwen

- Jeans for genes – Fri 19<sup>th</sup> September (50p charity donation)
- Parents' Evening – Tues 21<sup>st</sup> & Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> October (virtual)
- Children in Need (show you are unique) – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> November
- KS1 Christmas Concert - Wed 10<sup>th</sup> December (9:15am & 2:15pm)
- EYFS Christmas Concert – Thu 11<sup>th</sup> December (AM & PM)
- Christmas Fair – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December
- Parents' Evening – Wed 11<sup>th</sup> & Thu 12<sup>th</sup> February (in school)
- World Book Day – Thus 5<sup>th</sup> March
- International Family Week – 23<sup>rd</sup>–26<sup>th</sup> March with Carnival Thu 26<sup>th</sup>
- Easter Bonnet Parade – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March AM
- Sports Week – 28<sup>th</sup> June to 3<sup>rd</sup> July
- Sports Day (EYFS) – Tues 30<sup>th</sup> June
- Sports Day (Yrs1-6) – Wed 1<sup>st</sup> July
- Summer Fair – Fri 10<sup>th</sup> July



# 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 meetings for parents 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
- Notice boards
- Speaking to staff before and after school
- Telephone/visit the school office



# And finally...

## Thank you all for listening.

With your support, we hope that Year 1 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.

# **T**ogether **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore!



# Any questions?

