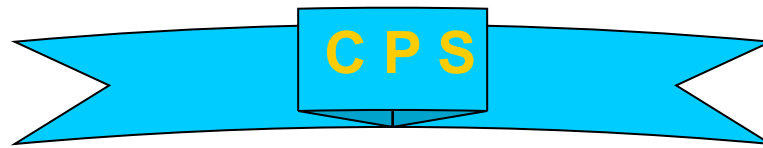


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Curwen Primary School

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WELCOME TO YEAR 4

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on any trips?

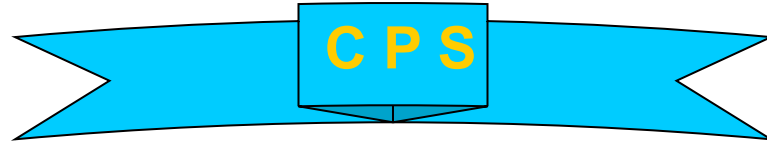
Welcome back . . .

What are we
learning about
this year?

When are we
doing PE?



What is the
name of your
teacher?



Introductions

*The members of staff who will be working in
Year 4 this year are:*

Assistant Head Teacher: Mr North

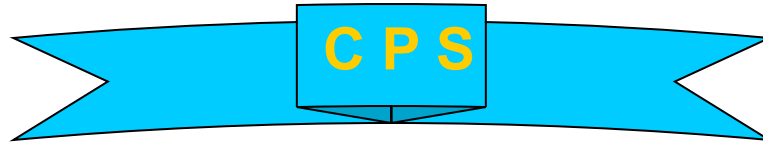
Head of Year: Ms Montiel

Teachers:

Ms Rene, Ms Sonola, Mr Turpin

Support Staff:

Ms Avram and Ms Griffin



Curwen's Management Team

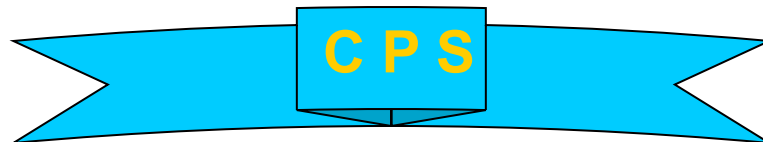
Each year group has a Year Group Leader and an Assistant Head Teacher responsible for the phase.

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



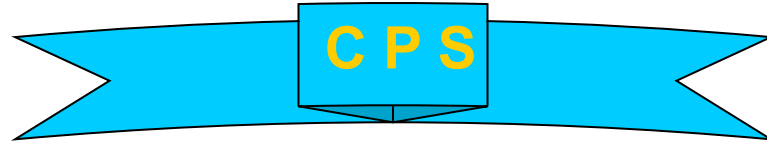
Safeguarding Team

Ms Sandhu – Designated Safeguarding Lead / Safeguarding & Child Protection

Mrs Mansfield – Assistant Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs O'Hanlon- Family Support Officer

Mr Jammeh - Pastoral Officer

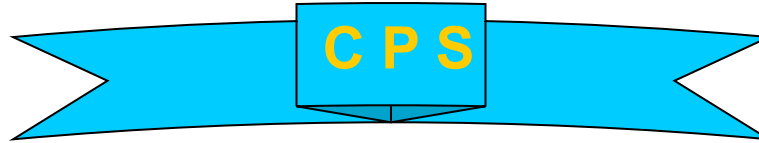


Arriving at School

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.



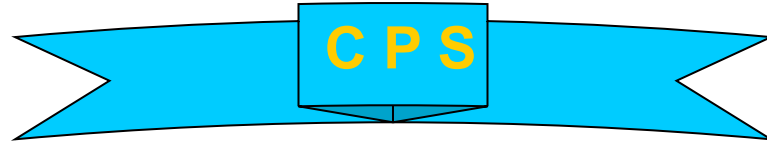
Collecting your child at the end of the day

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.



After school childcare provision

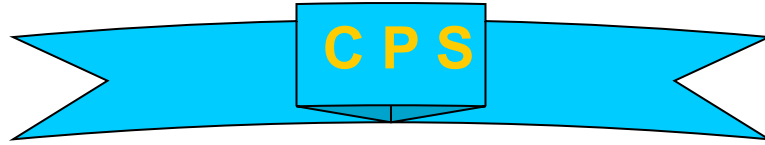
After school we have a 6 o'clock club. This runs Monday to Friday and is open to anyone.

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.

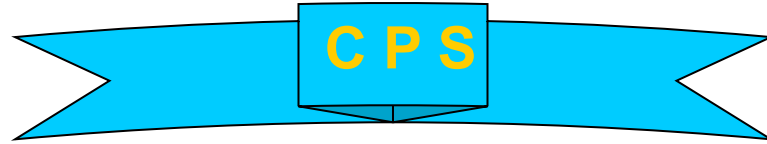


After school clubs (Yrs 1-6)

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 Monday 28th 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

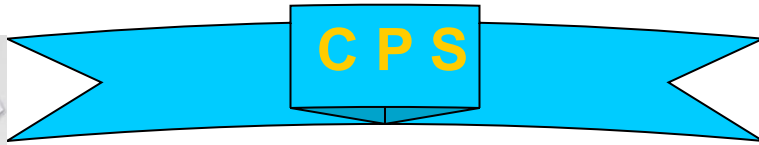
In the October Half-term holiday we are running a 2 day holiday club for years 1-6 at Curwen 10am-3pm
(Monday 26th and Tues 27th October)

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, Heelys or Crocs
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

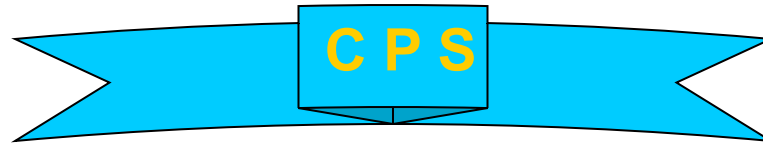
Black joggers, leggings or shorts **Footwear**-comfortable trainers

Jewellery - **Only** stud earrings and a watch (**no smartwatches or glasses**) *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

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 (Monday)
 - 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 trays or 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 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.



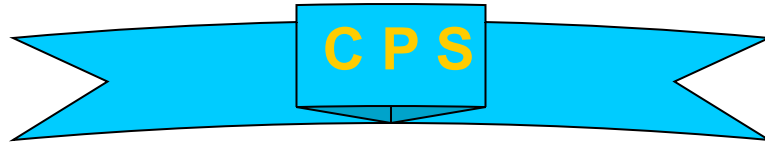
**If you need any help setting this up then
please speak to office staff.**

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 and becomes expensive for families.

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

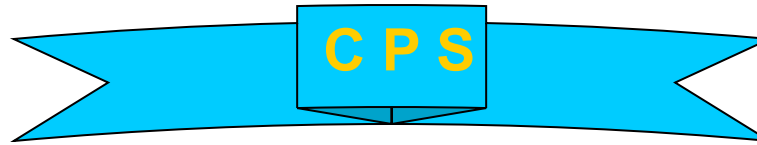
- Please ensure your child brings a water bottle (with water!) each day
- This should be labelled with your child's name and class
- The children have access to water fountains around the school which are cleaned regularly



Appointments

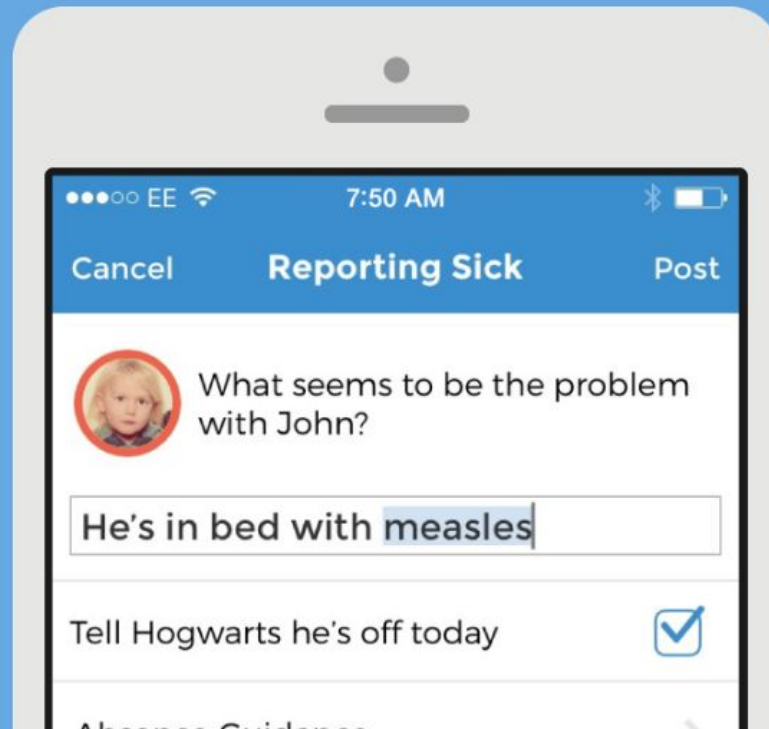
- All medical and dental appointments should be arranged **outside of the school day**.
- Where this is not possible, please inform us through Studybugs and provide evidence of the appointment.
- If your child is at an appointment in the morning, and you cannot get them back to school before 12pm, then 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 3:00-3:25pm.

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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:

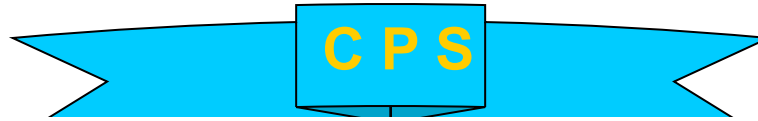
Register Free!

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

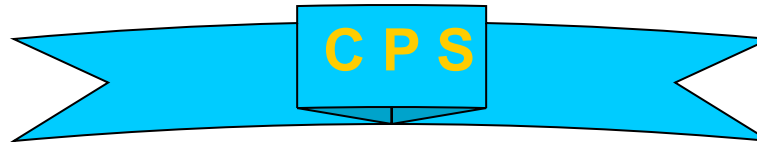
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Please use the Studybugs app for as much communication as possible.



You will get a quicker response on the app than you will from the school email address.



Get information and give permissions...



We're using the Arbor Parent App!



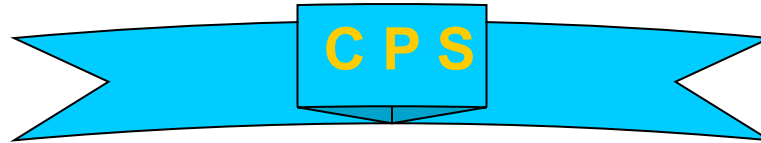
The smartphone screen displays the Arbor Parent App login page. It includes the Arbor logo, a welcome message, a login form with fields for email (marysmith@arbor-mail.com) and password, a 'Remember my password' checkbox, and a 'Log in' button. Below the login form are links for 'Forgot your password?', 'Trying to log in as a student or staff member?', 'Having issues logging in?', and 'Still can't log in?'.

Get notifications on the app or website

Check your child's club days
Get First Aid notifications
Give permissions
Receive end-of-year reports
And more!

Scan the QR code to download the Arbor Parent App, and use your email address to log in





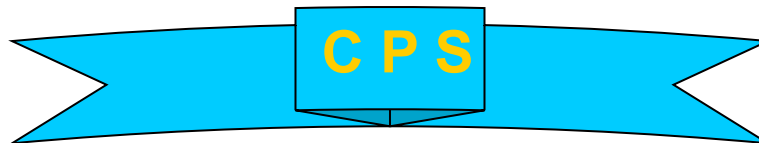
Medical Conditions

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 with a prescription label 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 health care plans. This is a legal requirement to ensure pupils are safe in school.

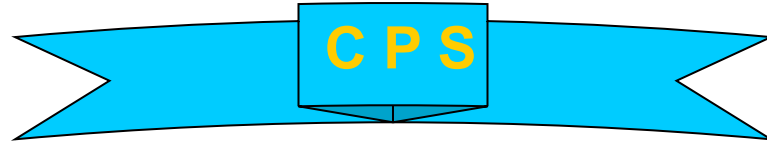


Medical Conditions

If your child hurts themselves inside or 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.

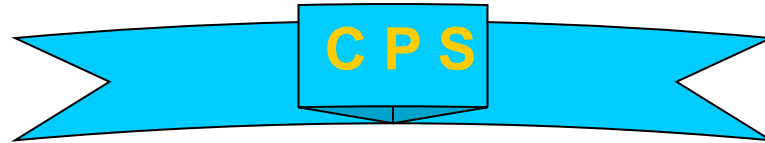
Staff will help you to complete a temporary health care plan before letting them come into school. This is for their own safety.

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.

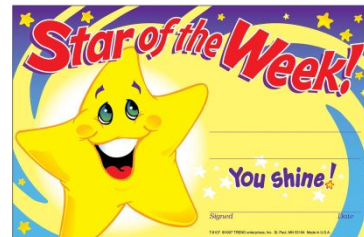


Positive rewards

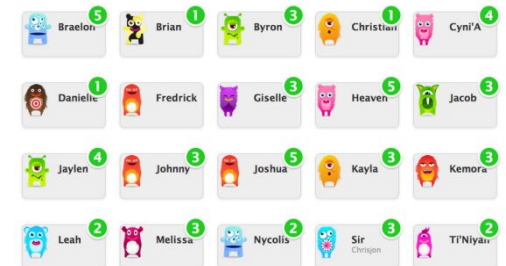
Throughout the day and over the course of the year, children who try hard in their work and follow the school rules are rewarded in lots of different ways. Here are just some: Team tokens



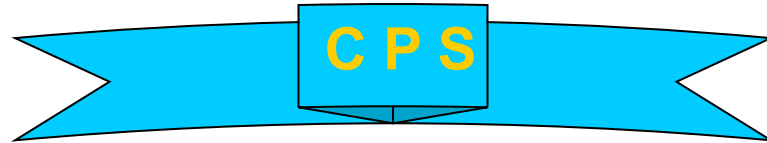
Put on the gold
star



Celebration assembly

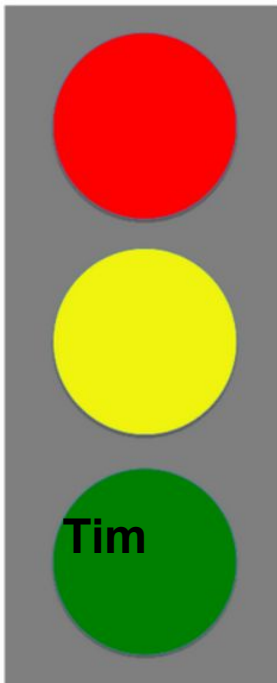


Dojo points



Behaviour at Curwen

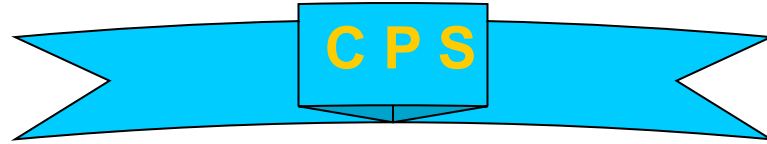
We use a visual traffic light system to remind children of their behaviour choices and associated consequences.



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

-1st 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.

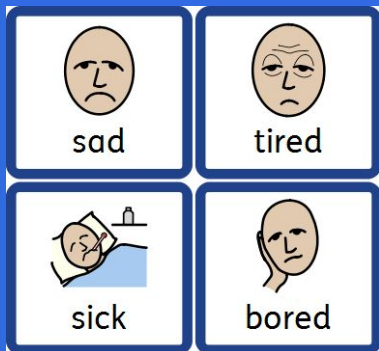
You will always be informed of this and every day is a new day.



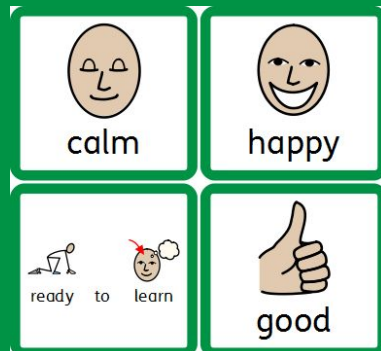
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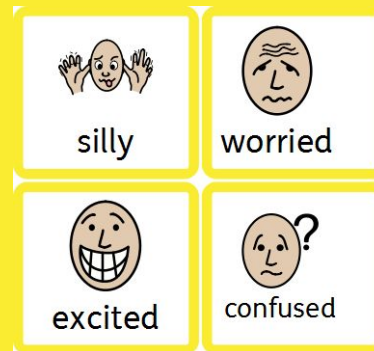
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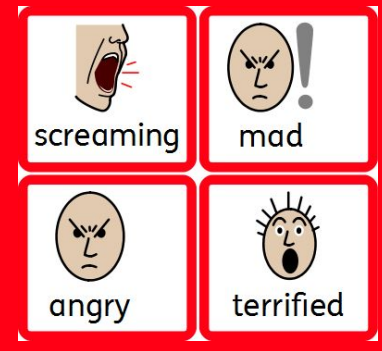
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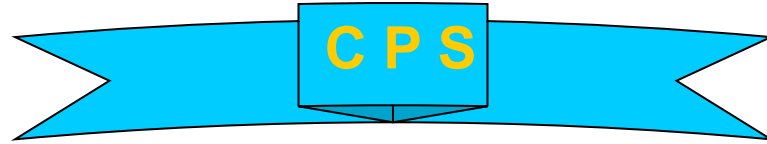


SHINE

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

 Curwen Primary School Together Everyone Achieves More					
Aims (SHINE)	S uccessful <i>High expectations and ready to move on in your learning.</i>	H ealthy & Safe <i>Learn how to keep ourselves and others healthy and safe in and out of school.</i>	I dentify <i>Learning about ourselves and our community. Understanding our place.</i>	N urtured <i>Feeling supported and being able to support others. Knowing how and where to get help.</i>	E ngaged <i>Excited and involved during learning. Make the most of opportunities in and out of school.</i>

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Autumn term

In topic this term, we will focus on The Romans

Spring term

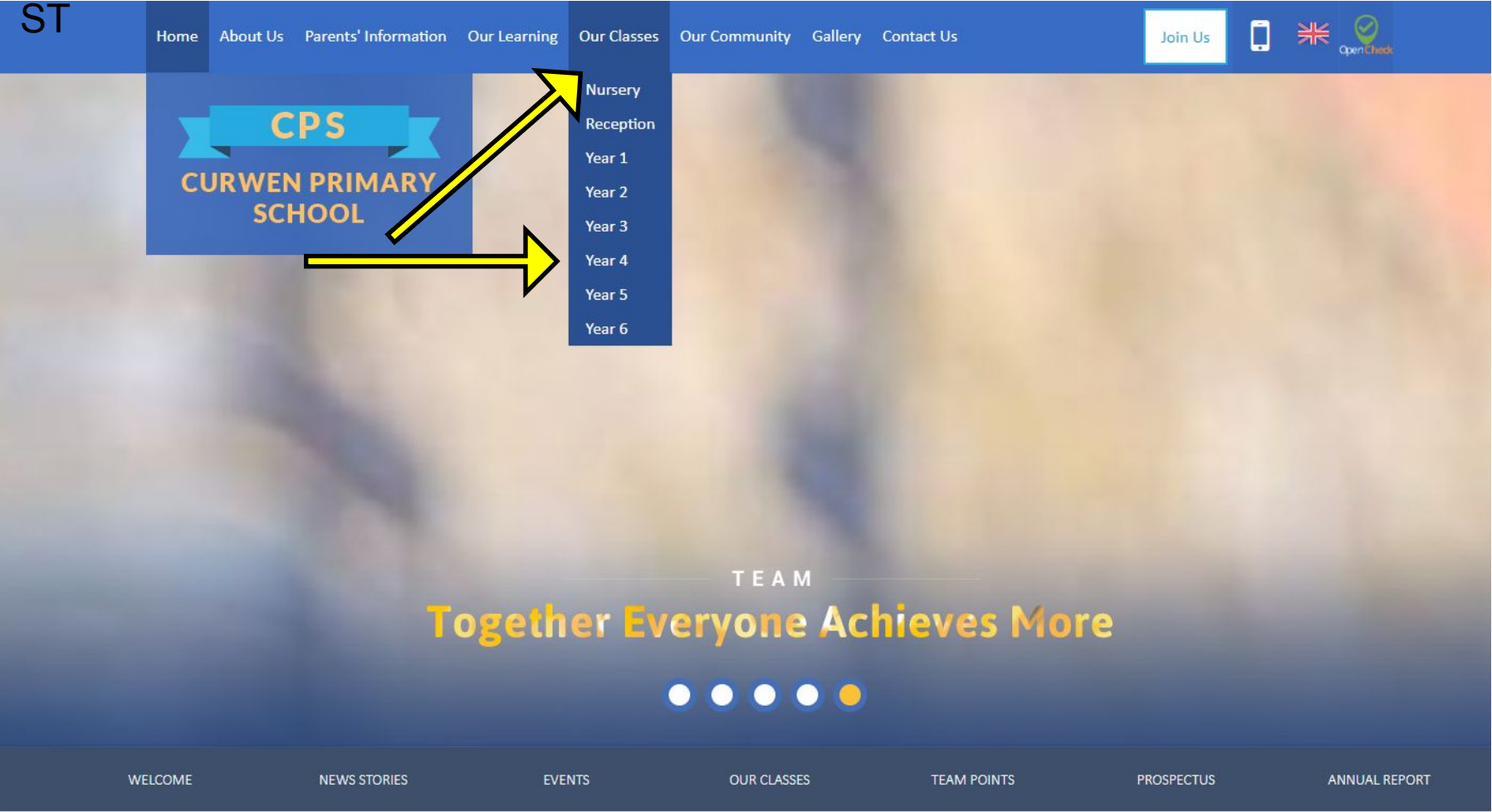
In Spring term we will The Amazon and Rivers

Summer term

Our topic is Ancient Benin

More curriculum information is available on our website.

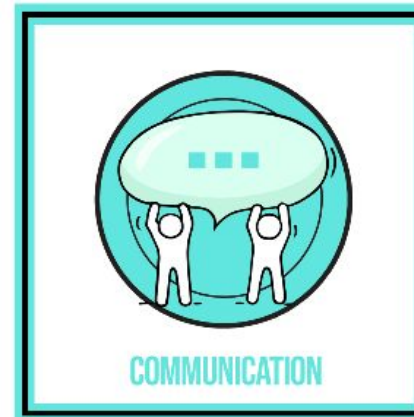
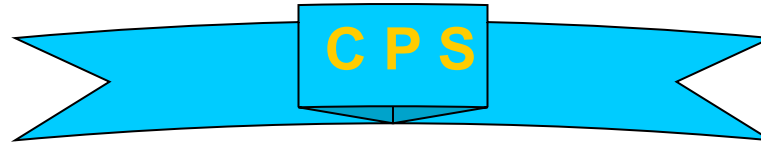
Lots of useful curriculum information can be found on our website:



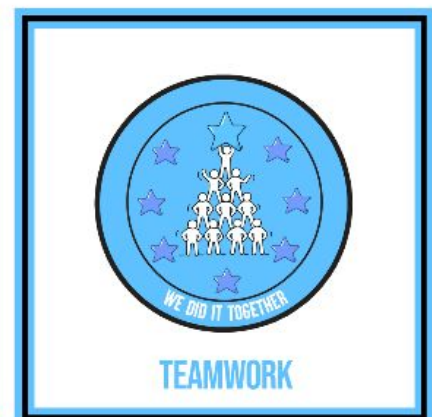
Headteacher's Welcome

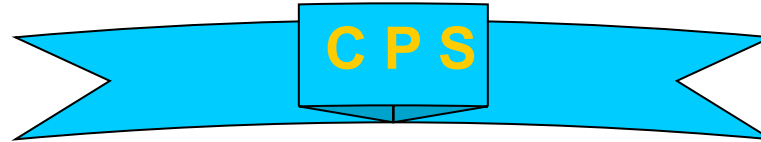


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Curwen's Core Skills





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.

These will include:

Autumn -

Roman Workshop (£3 / £1.50 Pupil Premium)

World of Work (Free of charge)

Place of Worship - Hindu Temple (Free of charge)

Spring -

Cody Dock Fieldwork

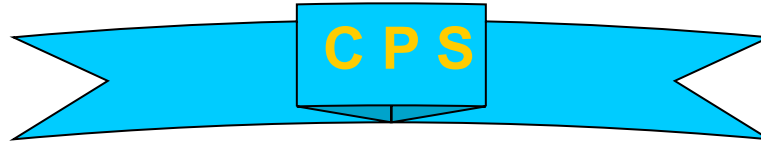
Summer -

Chigwell Row Adventure Centre

The Horniman Museum

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.

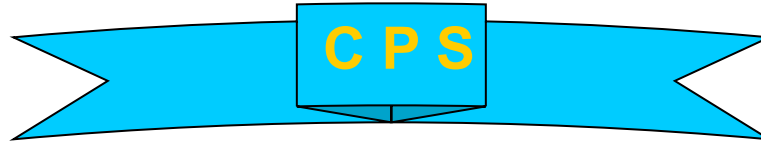
Permission slips - if your child attended Curwen last year, then you would have signed a form giving permission for your child to attend trips and this permission continues into this current year, so there is no need for you to do another. Reminder slips will be sent home before each trip.



Can Parents come on the trips?

Yes! But...

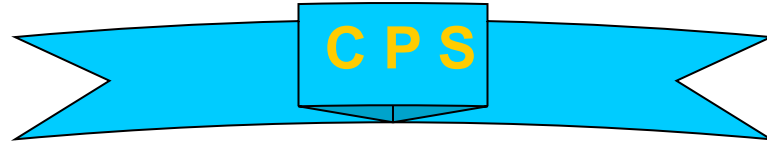
- ❖ This is to HELP the school staff supervise a group of 5 or 6 children - keeping them safe and asking the children questions to help them learn on the trip.
- ❖ Helping on trips can be **hard work** so please only volunteer if you are physically able too & can walk/stand unaided for significant periods 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.

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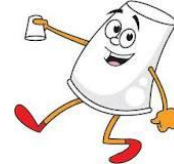


Literacy

Our children have Literacy lessons every morning, developing their reading and writing through a comprehensive and engaging curriculum.

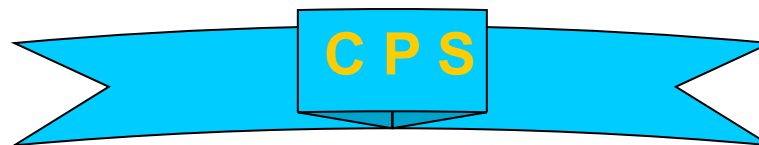


Maths



At Curwen, children follow Curwen's carefully designed maths curriculum which focuses on basic skills, calculations and reasoning. The focus this term will be on 'Number' and then the 4 operation (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

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Example of a typical timetable:

Year 4 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
Mon	Soft start	Maths Basic Skills	PE/PPA		Phase Assembly	Assembly	PE/PPA	Lunch – 12.00-1.00 Maths	Literacy	Maths	Story Time
Tue	Soft start	Hand Writing	Literacy		Class assembly		Maths		Computing	Music X2 classes Spanish X2 classes	
Wed	Soft start	Hand Writing	Literacy		Class Assembly		Maths		R.E & PSHE Forest School		
Thur	Soft start	Literacy		Class assembly	Maths		Library Science				
Fri	Soft start	Literacy		Maths Basic Skills/ Pre assess	Maths		Topic		Whole School Assembly		

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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.

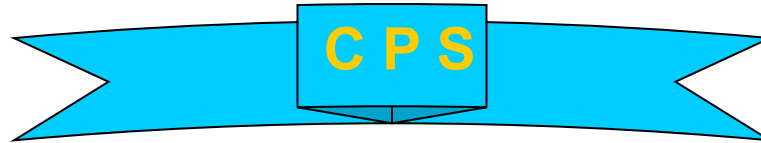
What will my child do at Forest School?

- 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?

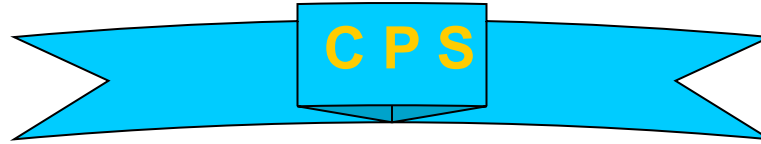
- For health and safety reasons, children need to wear weather-appropriate, full length clothing and walking boots or wellies.





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.



Year 4

- Government requirement to do a multiplication check - June 2026
- Children will do this on a laptop. They have 6 seconds to answer each question. There will be a total of 25 questions.
- Please do not panic about this!



Homework

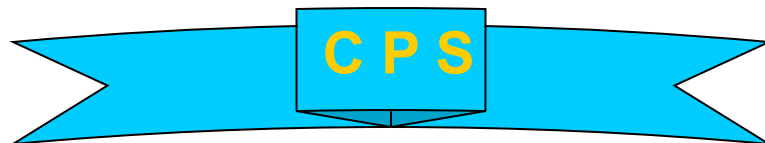
Homework will be put online onto your Child's Google Classroom account each week.

Set on a: Wednesday

Needs to be handed in by the following: Monday

Tasks are always a revision of topics that have been covered in class that week.

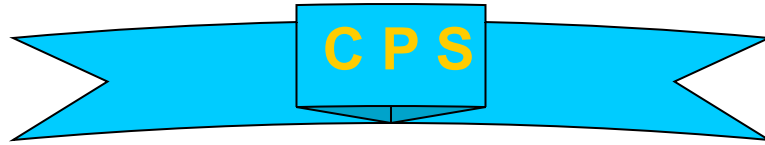
Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are having any problems with this or see our website



Reading

- In **Year 4** we expect pupils to be reading for at least 20 minutes (5 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 4's library day is on a Thursday 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.

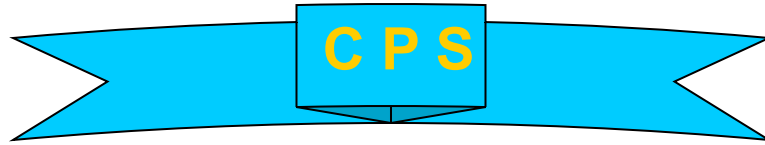




Online Home learning

(1) Bug Club

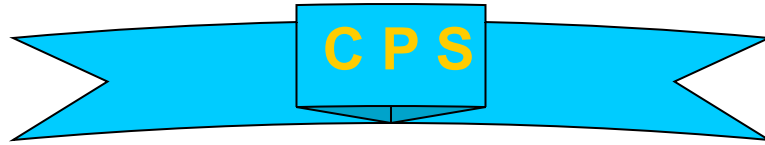
- An online reading & phonics resource
- Available for children to use at home and in school
- Login, username and school password will be sent out very soon.
- If you ever misplace your logins please send us a message directly on studybugs.



Online Home learning 2

(2) Times Tables Rock stars

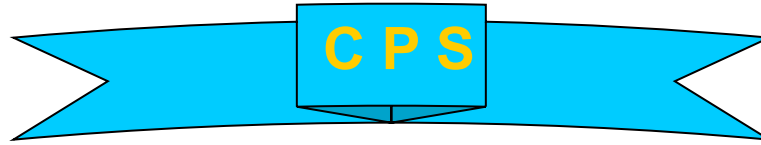
<https://ttrockstars.com/>



Online Home learning

(3) Google Classroom....

- All children in Year 4 are currently being taught how to log on and access homework on Google Classroom this term.
- This is an interactive online platform for learning which allows teachers to create learning opportunities and to give brief feedback.
- Further refresher training for parents will be provided so that you can support your child in accessing and responding to tasks.
- Please do not message staff on this facility



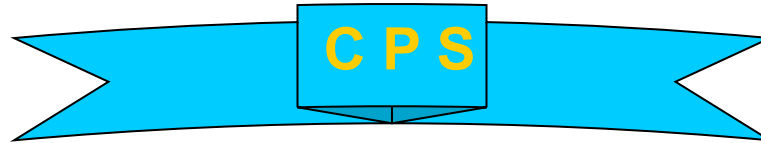
STAYING SAFE ONLINE

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!!!!

PR



If you are ever concerned about accessing information online or have any questions about internet safety, you can speak to your class teacher, Mr Jammeh 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/>



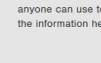
Welcome to CEOP's Thinkuknow

Come in to find the latest information on the sites you like to visit, mobiles and new technology. Find out what's good, what's not and what you can do about it. If you look after young people there's an area for you too – with resources you can use in the classroom or at home. Most importantly, there's also a place which anyone can use to [report](#) if they feel uncomfortable or worried about someone they are chatting to online. All the information here is brought to you by the team at the [NCA's CEOP Command](#). We hope you like it!

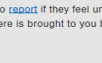
Are you...



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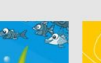
8-10?



Parent/
Carer?



11-13?



14+?



Teacher/
Trainer?

ONLINE SAFETY

Online Gaming

Is the content age appropriate?

Fortnite PGI=12 years old

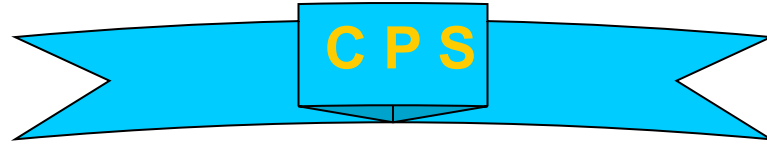
RoBlox=7 years old

Hello Neighbour PGI=13 years old

Social Media e.g. TikTok = 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?

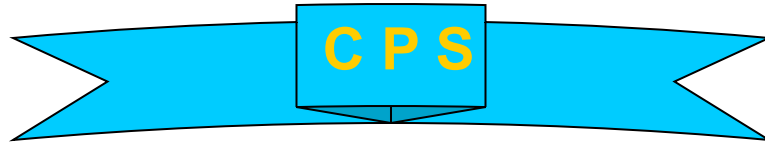


When collecting your children, please welcome them with a smile, not a mobile phone.

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.





2026-27 Big Events @ Curwen

- Jeans for genes – Fri 18th September (50p charity donation)
- Parents' Evening – Tues 20th & Wed 21st October (virtual)
- Children in Need (show you are unique) – Fri 20th November
- KS1 Christmas Concert - Wed 9th December (9:15am & 2:15pm)
- EYFS Christmas Concert – Thu 10th December (AM & PM)
- Christmas Fair – Friday 11th December
- Parents' Evening – Wed 3rd & Thu 4th February (in school)
- World Book Day – Thurs 4th March (no costumes)
- International Family Week – 15th–19th March with Carnival Thu 18th
- Easter Bonnet Parade – Monday 22nd March AM
- Sports Week – 28th June to 2nd July
- Sports Day (EYFS) – Tues 29th June
- Sports Day (Yrs1-6) – Wed 30th June
- Summer Fair – Fri 9th July



And finally...

Thank you all for listening.

With your support, we hope that Year 4 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 **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore!