

# CPS Newsletter

## 19th December 2025



### A message from Mr Kilsby

The festive season is the perfect time to highlight the emphasis we place on developing the children's sense of community and impressing upon them the vital role they all play in helping our school community to be safe, calm and happy. This includes ensuring that they understand the reason behind the rules we have and how they are designed to make sure that everyone benefits; as well as recognising that the values we promote (such as being a 'manners monster' and the need to be the 'best version' of ourselves) play a crucial role in making the school such a special place: one where every member of the community is respected and valued.

As the children move through the school, these expectations become more explicit. The children are enjoined to 'give something back'; whether this be through the work they do in their year group Community Outreach projects (such as the Year 1/2 children visiting the local care homes, or the Year 6 children raising funds for Arthur Rank), or their roles as Year 6 Community Mentors to the EYFS children, or in one of the other Year 6 jobs, such as Peer Mediators or Junior Librarians.

The impact of this work should be a source of huge pride for everyone connected to the school. The large number of visitors we have all comment on how polite and respectful the children are and how enthusiastic they are to share what they are learning about and why they love being at the school.

Like every other aspect of what we do, however, it requires constant attention, with all adults (including parents and carers) modelling the behaviours we want to see in the children. The overwhelming majority of parents and carers do this fantastically, day in and day out, for which, I am extremely grateful.

So it is with a keen sense of regret and disappointment that I have to report that there have been a number of incidents recently where parents and carers have behaved in a manner that has no place in a school. This has included being verbally abusive and threatening towards CPS staff. Whilst we all understand the pressure that families may be experiencing, there is no excuse for such behaviour and I will do whatever is necessary (including banning individuals from the school site) to ensure the school remains an environment where children, staff, parents, carers and visitors are all safe and free from threats and abuse.

I thank you in advance for your support and cooperation on this matter, and I would remind every parent, that everyone who works at CPS wants the same for your child as you do, namely: that they are safe, happy and achieve the best possible outcomes.

### Tier 2 Vocabulary

Please be aware that the following Tier 2 vocabulary is currently being shared and taught across the school:

EYFS	Celebrate; Leapt; Incredible
Year 1	Calm; Loan; Shame
Year 2	Succulent; Method; Tempted
Year 3	Necessity; Buoyant; Eventually; Nuisance
Year 4	Perched; Sheltering; Helpless
Year 5/6	Devoted; Consideration; Prioritise; Duress

*NB., For Tier 3 Vocabulary, please refer to your child's*

### Coming up...

- 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2025:** End of Autumn Term (2pm)
- 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2026:** Professional Development Days (children not in school)
- 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026:** Start of Spring Term (children return)
- 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2026:** Healthy Schools Week (details to follow)
- 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2026:** PTCA Meeting (7pm)
- 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2026:** Y5/6 Hockey Tournament
- 16<sup>th</sup>—20<sup>th</sup> February, 2026:** Half term
- 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2026:** Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Tournament
- 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2026:** End of Spring Term
- 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2026:** Summer Term begins

*Please note: more dates to be added as events are confirmed*

### Parking

If you drive your child to school, please can you give careful consideration to where you park. A number of local residents (as well as the Parish Council) have requested that we remind parents not to park illegally on the street or at the Village Hall for school events. A polite reminder as well that the layby outside the school is not to be used by parents for either drop-off or collection.

### Assembly Music

Recent music in assemblies has included: "I'll Stand By You" by The Pretenders; "Get Out (And Let Me Cry)" by Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes; "Time After Time" by Cyndi Lauper; and "Must be Santa" by Bob Dylan.



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