

Dear Parents and Carers

This term is steaming ahead already, and life has been very busy at CPPS! I hope you have managed to sign up for Dojo as this is where you will get lots of information, messages and updates from us. We are still using Parent mail for emails, but no longer use Tapestry. We request that you only use Dojo to message staff and not any other social media such as Facebook Messenger.

So much has happened already this term and there are lots of exciting opportunities ahead. The children have all settled well into the school routine and it has been lovely to welcome our new Reception children into Oak and Ash class as well as many other new friends across the school. We have had a class name change in Yr 6 with the introduction of 'Hawthorn' – to ensure all our class tree names can be found in the UK.

We welcome Miss Little back from maternity leave into Sycamore class and I am sure that you have all read the exciting news that Miss Davies welcomed her little girl 'Elodie' in August.

This term we have said a sad goodbye to Mr Black (Derek), our site manager who has left Covingham for another position within the Blue Kite Trust, we will miss him and wish him all the best. We are currently recruiting a replacement Site Manager and hope to give you news on this in the next newsletter.

We will also be saying a slow goodbye to Mrs Smith, our SENDCo, this term. She is reducing her hours from October to December to 1 day per week until she finishes with us at Christmas. Mrs Smith is moving onto a fantastic career opportunity, where she will be managing resource bases in a Swindon School. I am sure that you join with us in sending her huge congratulations and wishing her all the best for her new adventure. We will have some temporary cover to support our statutory SEN needs until the Christmas break whilst we complete a recruitment process.

We are currently hosting open mornings for prospective parents for Reception class 2025 – please contact the office for more information if you have not seen the flyers and Yr 6 parents must remember to apply for a secondary school place by 31<sup>st</sup> October.

Hopefully the children will have told you all about our Dojo reward system by now or you would have read the update posted on the app. Last academic year, the staff at CPPS, worked on creating a new school vision and this is what we created:

'At Covingham Park Primary School we value each child's individuality and aim to ensure that every child feels happy, safe, secure and empowered to realise their full potential. We believe that we should take care of our children, so that they not only feel safe but are inspired to learn.

Pupils at Covingham Park Primary School will be encouraged to be active participants in their own learning, have positive attitudes, be resilient and ambitious. We encourage them to explore, be curious, have enthusiasm and have the courage to take risks.'

We want them to:

Be Ready to learn  
Be Responsible for their learning attitudes  
Be Resilient in their approaches to learning

Our Dojo reward systems are centred around the 3 R's – pupils being ready, responsible and resilient. Our assemblies have changed to celebrate these achievements and are now on a Friday pm– the class teacher will contact to you invite you to see your child receive their Dojo certificate.

Please look out for further information on our updated school website and watch out for our advert in the Covingham magazine and look for the school banners which will be placed on the school boundary when they arrive. We look forward to seeing you at lots of school events this term!



Mrs J C Andrews

Headteacher

### Dojo Rewards



- 25 Dojos – certificate
- 50 Dojos – certificate
- 100 Dojos – certificate and a sticker
- 150 Dojos – certificate and a sweet
- 200 Dojos – certificate and extra play
- 250 Dojos – certificate and a letter home
- 300 Dojos – certificate and a surprise reward

### TD day reminder

Our next TD day is  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
October. School is  
closed to pupils on  
this day.

### Vacancies at CPPS

We are currently advertising for a HLTA (Higher Level Teaching Assistant) and a SENCO. Please see the adverts on e-teach or contact the School Business Manager – Mrs Bacon, if you or anyone you know may be interested.

Flu vaccinations will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024. To give your consent for your child to have their flu vaccination, please follow the link in the recent flu vaccination ParentMail message (<http://www.bswschoolagedimmms.co.uk/Forms/Flu>) and enter our school's code (WT135206) in the 'school code' box. The consent form page will close at 9am on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024.



Please remember  
that all schools are  
no dogs allowed  
sites, this includes  
breakfast and after  
school clubs

### Parking reminder

I am sure that you have all seen the parentmail emails sent out about parking near and around school. Can we please ask you not to park on grass verges or to block resident's private driveways. This causes our neighbours distress and to be upset with the school office staff – which is not their fault at all. Although we have no legal control over parking, school is in a small community, and we want the neighbours and residents to like and support Covingham Primary. We always recommend to anyone that complains that they contact the police directly, take photographs and report to the council enforcement team. We have asked the local neighbourhood policing team to make unannounced visits to our surrounding area.

### Individual school photo day

Remember to be smartly  
dressed on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Oct for  
individual school photos!



Picture Day!

### Congratulations

Our new Yr 6 Prefects are:

Head Pupils – Ruby Ratcliffe and Freddie Lovegrove

Prefects – Daisy Newman, Layla-May Dunne, Pixie-Lou Boyes, Thomas Fowler, Judah Winbow, Larry Boyes, Isla Gray, Laura Spiers, Bella Davey, Nicholas Wilson, Leo Utting, Orry Murray

### Dates for parents

WHEN?	WHO?	WHAT?
02/10/24 – 08:45	All	Lighthouse Coffee Morning – drop in, no appointment needed
08/10/24	New Parents	Yr R for September 2025 open morning
11/10/24	All	FoS book sale – more details to follow
14/10/24	All	Photo day
15/10/24	All	Flu Vaccinations
15/10/24	Yr 2,5 & 6	NSPCC workshops
21/10/24	All	Harvest Festival – St Paul’s Church
23/10/24	All	TD day – School closed
24/10-01/11/24	All	HALF TERM WEEK
04/11/24	All	Term 2 starts
07/11/24	New Parents	Yr R for September 2025 open morning
12/11/24 15:30-18:00	All	Parent’s evening
13/11/24	Yr 4	Saxon Experience Day
14/11/24 15:30-19:00	All	Parent’s evening
18/11/24	Yr 1	Visit to Windsor Castle
19/11/24	New Parents	Yr R for September 2025 open morning
20/11/24	Yr R & 6	Height and weight screening
22/11/24	All	FoS non-uniform day - more details to follow
22/11/24	Yr 5	Parents invited for end of topic celebration – more details to follow
26/11/24	All	Parents invited to Maths stay and play sessions KS1 09:30-10:30, KS2 10:45-11:45
29/11/24	All	FoS Table top sale
09/12/24	Yr 6	‘Bikeability’ week
10/12/24	All	School Choir and Wootton Bassett Brass Band concert – more details to follow
11/12/24	All	Rock Steady Concerts - pm
12/12/24	All	Christmas Jumper Day
12/12/24	All	Christmas Lunch
12/12/24	All	FoS – school disco – more details to follow
13/12/24	Yr 4	Yr 4 parents invited to end of topic celebration – more details to follow
17/12/24	Yr R	Nativity performance pm
18/12/24	All	Christmas celebration at St Paul’s Church – more details to follow
18/12/24	Yr 1	Nativity performance pm
19/12/24	All	Lighthouse drop-in session
19/12/24	Yr 2	Nativity performance pm
20/12/24	All	Christmas parties – end of term

WHERE: COVINGHAM PARK PRIMARY SCH  
WHEN: WEDS 2ND OCTOBER - 8.45AM



COFFEE MORNING

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS  
REGARDING YOUR CHILD'S  
BEHAVIOUR, ANXIETIES, SLEEP,  
EATING, ETC?  
COME AND HAVE A CHAT WITH  
OUR LIGHTHOUSE TEAM.  
JUST COME ALONG, NO BOOKING  
NEEDED!



WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL PROSPECTIVE PARENTS OF RECEPTION INTAKE  
2025, TO COME AND VISIT OUR RECEPTION CLASSES AND OUTSIDE AREA.

We are holding open mornings for any prospective parent to  
come along and visit the school. Please telephone the school  
office to book on 01793 525465.

Our Open Morning dates are:

Sept - Thurs 19th & Tues 24th  
Oct - Tues 8th & Thurs 17th  
Nov - Thurs 7th & Tues 19th

OPEN MORNING TIMES 09:30-11:30



**DO YOU KNOW ABOUT  
ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (ASB)?**

**WORRIED ABOUT THINGS  
HAPPENING ONLINE?**

**NEED HELP WITH SOMETHING  
THAT YOU THINK IS WRONG?**

**WHY DON'T  
YOU...**



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