

The Messenger

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the final term of the year.

On **Friday 20 April** all the children and staff at Cheam Park Farm will walk or run the daily mile.

This event will be in aid of the Run For Grenfell charity.

The North Kensington Firefighters, who were first on the Grenfell scene, are running the London Marathon on Sunday 22nd April. We are raising money to support their cause.

Children should come to school in sports kits and bring a donation of £1.

All donations will be given to the Run4Grenfell charity. If you would like to donate further please follow the details on the attached flyer.

Michael Dowden, a firefighter and parent of 3 children at Cheam Park Farm will be taking assemblies on both sites on Tuesday 17th April (M) and Wednesday 18th April (K). The assemblies will focus on fire safety and raising money for the children's charity.

Please donate generously.

Parent Meetings

Safeguarding Meeting and Volunteer Training

Our final training session for the year will be held on **Thursday 19 April, 1.30pm** in Rainbow House. Every volunteer and member of staff should attend this training each year. If you are a volunteer in school and have not been able to attend the training so far this year you will not be able to volunteer until the training has been updated.

We are also always looking for new parent volunteers so if you are interested in helping in school please attend this training.

Year 6 visit to IoW

The Year 6 meeting for parents of children going to the IoW in June will

be held on **Monday 23 April, 6pm** in the school hall (K).

End of Key Stage Assessments (M)

The Year 2 assessment meeting will be on **Wednesday 25 April at 2.30pm** in the Hall. All Year 2 children will take part in end of key stage assessments this half term. Please ensure your child is in school as much as possible and inform the school office if there is anything the school should be aware of regarding events that have happened which may affect your child.

(Please note this date has changed from the original in the date information)

The Key Stage 1 English Workshop has been rescheduled for **Wednesday 25th April, 7.00pm**. This meeting is open to parents of children in Year 1 and Year 2.



Bikeability – Year 5

Details have been sent to all Year 5 families regarding the cycle training we offer at school. We would very much like as many children as possible to take up this training. Please follow the instructions and apply on line. If you need more information please contact the Kingston Office and ask for Mr Jackson.



WOW

Walk once a week starts on **Tuesday 1 May** for 4 weeks. We are encouraging every child to walk or park and stride at least once a week. The information will be recorded and a badge given for those who do.



Talent Assembly (M)

The final talent assembly of the year will be held on **Tuesday 8 May**. Please let Miss Lane know if your child would like to perform on this occasion.

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School Fair Saturday 19 May

Planning is underway for this annual event. The PTFA would welcome any offers of help on the day or in preparation for the fair. Please let the PTFA team know if you are able to help in anyway.

Mufti Days are on
Friday 27 April
Friday 11 May
Friday 18 May

The PTFA will be sending out many letters and reminders in the next couple of weeks. The next PTFA meeting is on **Tuesday 17 April 8pm** in Rainbow House. It would be great to see as many parents as possible to help share the load.



Assemblies

The following classes (M) have Sharing Assemblies this term.

Indigo Class 27 April
Red Class 4 May
Turquoise 11 May
Blue Class 25 May
Lilac Class 8 June
Yellow Class 15 June
Pink Class 22 June
Purple Class 29 June

It is very important that each child has someone to watch their performance – mum, dad, nan, granddad, neighbour...

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If you are unable to send anyone to watch your child please ensure the class teacher is aware of this so she can ensure a member of staff takes a special interest in your child.

Music Opportunities for Pupils at CPFP (K)

As well as having the opportunity to perform with our own school choir and orchestra, our pupils can also join with others from across the borough in a wide range of groups organised by the Sutton Music Service. They provide ensembles for young musicians of all ability levels. SYTB and YMSG are suitable for most beginners after a few terms' tuition and no audition is required. Their groups include:

Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB) - entry level band: brass, woodwind and percussion. Rehearsals take place Mondays, term time 4.45-5.45pm at St Andrew's, Cheam.

Sutton Youth Symphonic Band (SYSB) is an intermediate band for brass, woodwind and percussion. Rehearsals are Tuesdays, term time 5.00-6.00pm at St Andrew's, Cheam.

Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO) is an advanced level band for brass, woodwind and percussion. Rehearsals take place Tuesdays, term time 6.15-8.15pm at St Andrew's Cheam.

Young Musicians String Group (YMSG) is an entry level group for young string players. Rehearsals take place Mondays, term time 5.00-6.00pm at St Andrew's, Cheam.

Young Musicians Training Orchestra - first full orchestra for strings, woodwind, brass and percussion. Mondays during term time 6.00-7.00pm at St Andrew's Church, Cheam.

Young Musicians Orchestra - intermediate level orchestra for string, woodwind, brass and percussion players. Fridays during term time 4.45-6.15pm at St Andrew's Church, Cheam.

Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO) is an advanced level orchestra for strings, brass, woodwind and percussion. Rehearsals take place Fridays, term time 5:30-8.00pm at St Andrew's Cheam.

Sutton Young Singers is a choir for the most able young singers aged 8-13. It started in September 2016 and has already doubled in size.

For more information, please contact Khadija Dero, Ensembles Coordinator email: kdero@suttonmail.org Arts One Rocks (K)

Arts One Rocks!, a partner organisation in the Sutton Music Hub, gives young people a high-quality rock and pop music education. Based at Glenthorne High School, A1R! runs on Saturdays during term time with three different ability sessions. Each week pupils focus on a 'track of the week', including both modern pieces by the likes of Adele or Bruno Mars, and classic tracks that all rock and pop musicians should know by the likes of The Beatles or The Rolling Stones. Each session is two hours in length with the first hour spent learning the track of the week in instrumental groups with specialist tutors and the second hour spent learning how to perform the track live in the Band Performance Workshop. Showcase gigs are held at the end of each term and give the pupils the perfect opportunity to continue developing their performance skills. In recent years, we have set our Advance group the challenge of learning and performing classic albums like Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band by The Beatles, Dark Side of the Moon by Pink Floyd and The Best of Michael Jackson. A1R! pupils are currently working on Stevie's Wonder's Songs in the Key of Life. *Any CPFP pupils in Year 5 or Year 6 who would like to come and find out more about Arts One Rocks are very welcome to come along to a free trial session. A1R! cater for Vocals, Keyboards, Guitar, Bass Guitar and Drums. To join, please contact Louise Stirling, 0208 644 6307 (ext.*

240) or via email 1st@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk You can also go to www.glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk/artsonerocks or follow A1R! on Twitter @artsonerocks



Sun Safety

In the hope that we may get some good weather this summer, I thought it timely to issue some sun safety tips for our school.

All children should remember their water bottles during the hot weather.

Any water fountains or taps are regularly checked so are in good working order; children can use these at anytime during play and lunchtime. Please remember to cover your child with sunscreen in the morning. If your child is a hay fever sufferer please ensure they have taken appropriate medication in the morning. Sun hats should also be worn in the summer months. Please name these as many children have the same design.



School Lunches

The school lunch menu has recently been updated. This can be found on our website <http://cheamparkfarmprimary.co.uk/parents/lunch-at-school/>

If your child has school lunches on (K) site and wishes to change to packed lunch please give the office one week's notice. If you would like your child to take part in Pizza Tuesday please let the office know and pay for the meals on Parent Pay.

Dinner money invoices have been sent out please note the balance(s) need to be paid each week

We have updated our debt collection procedures. Parents will be expected to keep all payments up to date.

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Classes for September 2018

You will remember last year we mixed every year group in the whole school. Although we felt this, on the whole was very successful, we realise that to do this every year is a huge undertaking. This year and in the future we plan to mix classes at the end of Reception, Year 2 and Year 4. This means children will work and learn with a variety of children but will also have stability and the chance to build on friendships in the interim years.

You will be informed of your child's new class and staff on **Friday 29 June**. Due to the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which comes into play in May we are still not entirely sure as to whether we will be able to distribute class lists. New Reception parents will be told their class teacher by **Thursday 14 June** or **Tuesday 19 June** at the Reception parent meetings; New Nursery parents will be told their class teacher on **Thursday 28 June** at the Nursery parent meeting; Currently no member of staff knows where they will be working next year and any school can still receive teacher resignations up to **31 May 2018**.

Information about Year group expectations will be sent electronically to parents. Parents will be able to meet the new class teacher and see the new classroom on **Tuesday 3 July** 3.10-3.45- KS1 and **Wednesday 4 July** 3.15- 3.45 – KS2.

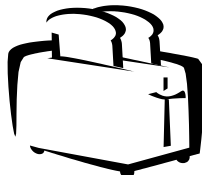
As children moving into Year 3 are also moving sites we do hold an induction evening for that year group. This will be on **Monday 18 June**. This is an evening for parents to find out about Year 3. It is not when parents find out which class children will be in.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

GDPR is a regulation in EU law on data protection and privacy for all individuals within the European Union. It addresses the export of personal data outside the EU. The GDPR aims primarily to give control back to citizens and residents over their personal data. We will need to review our practice in school. We will also be asking parents to complete the admissions forms for

children so we know exactly what data sharing parents have agreed to. Last year we updated our admission forms for Reception and Year 3. The new forms are very much along these lines but all other year groups will be asked to complete them.

Breakfast Club



We are currently trying to gauge the interest in using Breakfast club in September. If you currently use the facility and would like to continue doing so please inform either school office so we can include you in uptake – these children have priority over all other applications. If you think you would like to start using Breakfast club in September please apply at the office prior to **Friday 15 June 2018**. New applications to the school have already indicated that some would be interested in using the club in September so do make sure you have booked your place.

We also have a facility to welcome (K) children into the breakfast club on a drop in basis. If you would like more details about this please contact Mrs Woodhams for more information.



Level 3 Diploma

You will be aware that we will be running the level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching and Learning. If you are interested in starting this course in September further information can be obtained on our website

<http://cheamparkfarmprimary.co.uk/our-school/community/> or contact Heather Young via the school office by **Friday 25 May**.

School Fund

In January we asked that all parents pay their contribution to our School Fund Account. We are very grateful to

all those parents who have already made this payment. This year we have used the fund to support the use of the Mathletics and Spellodrome website. We plan to send out a questionnaire to gather your views about these sites but our initial observations are that Mathletics in particular has been a huge success.

If you have not done so already please make your contribution to the school fund account. Each term we ask for £8 or £24 a year (for a single child) or £36 (for a family). School fund can be paid via Parent Pay. It is very important that all families make the payment.

Another way we raise money for the school is through the EasyFundraising account.

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, the trainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

1. Head to

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cheamparkfarmprimary/> and join for free.

2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.

3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Cheam Park Farm Primary School will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.



Tissues

To keep our stocks high we ask for a donation of a box of tissues each term. As you can imagine we do go through quite a few of these. Hand them into the individual class where they are stored until needed.

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Back Packs

Children on Molesey Site should not bring backpacks into school. We do not have enough storage for these. Bookbags are completely sufficient for the children's needs and are easily stored in the classrooms.

Future Dates not included in the date information

During April and May the staff from Metro Bank are coming to work with Years 4 and 5 over a 4 week period. Money Zone, a financial education programme teaches primary school children how money, banking and personal finance works.

At the end of April all Year 2 children will be visiting the Forest school on Kingston Site. The visits give the children an opportunity to achieve and develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in a natural environment with trees.

Alison Day
Head Teacher