

Dear Parents,



Winter Wonderland

Thank you to the many families, staff and friends who joined us on Saturday for the Winter Wonderland Experience. The PTFA were amazing at putting so much effort in for the children to have such a wonderful fair. We raised a massive £6600. It really is due to the fantastic support Cheam Park Farm receives that we are able to purchase so many extra resources for the children of our school.

The DT Project was a great Success.

The results are

Team Courage - Green £104
Team Respect - Red £113.85
Team Inspiration - Blue £124.50
Team Determination - Yellow
£171.72

Yellow Team will be wearing Mufti on **Monday 17th December** - Staff included! Congratulations Team Determination.

Staffing News

With effect from November 2018, Michelle Mallcott, one of our HLTA's will no longer be working at the school. We thank her for the work she carried out in KS2 and more recently in Yr2. We are currently recruiting for a HLTA replacement. The advert is accessible on eteach.

There have been some changes to our Senior Leadership Team. Louise Thorndycraft successfully interviewed to become deputy headteacher for Molesey Site.

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Kelly Wight (EYFS), Faye Gibney (KS1), Kate Ashworth (Lower KS2) and Emma Potter (upper KS2) are each taking on the role of phase leader for their own year group and that below or above it.

Leena Panda and Shahanara Begum have been appointed as bank TAs.

Quality Assurance

In early November we had a Challenge Partner Quality Assurance Review across the whole primary school. We are delighted to let you know that the grades for all areas remained at Outstanding. School Improvement Strategies: Outstanding
Outcomes for Pupils: Outstanding
Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment: Outstanding
Area of Excellence ACCREDITED
Overall: Outstanding

Our newly accredited area of excellence was CPD. We are particularly proud of this achievement as our work professional development at all levels was recognised. The report is now displayed on our website.



Attendance

Our current attendance is 97.5%. This is above National Standards and we are pleased that the vast majority of children are attending school regularly and punctually.

School Tours

We have added a number of dates to our School Tour Programme. Please let local parents, of 3 and 4 year olds, know if they wish to look around (M) site

Tuesday 4 December 9.30am
Friday 7 December 9.30am
Tuesday 11 December 9.30am

Be there Bears (M)

Each year in the Spring term we challenge the children to come to school every day and on time. If they do this they are awarded weekly stickers and at the end of the half term if they have come to school every day on time they will be presented with a Be there Bear badge. In the past the children have really risen to the challenge and we find our punctuality, as well as our attendance figures, improve.



PE during the winter months

As the temperature has dropped it is now very important that all children are provided with a tracksuit bottoms and either school jumper (K) or tracksuit top (M) for PE lessons. These should be in school, in PE bags for every outdoor lesson.



Sporting News

The PE Coordinators from each of the LEO schools have met and arranged a plan of fixtures for the rest of the academic year. The aim of these fixtures is to provide a wide

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Nursery is Monday 14 January 2019.



Charity Collections

Children in Need raised £232.50 (K), £296.25 (M)

Our Poppy Appeal 2017 raised £179.20 (K) & £156.28 (M)

Scholastic Books raised £1075.70 (M) and £1289.55 (K). Much of this total is then given back in commission to spend on books for the school.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to these collections.



Year 5 French Trip (K)

The meeting for parents regarding this trip is on **Monday 4 February at 6.00** on (K) site. The final payment is due by **Friday 21 December**.

Anti-bullying Week

During November the children celebrated Anti-bullying week. We raised the issue of bullying in assemblies and made the odd socks video which we posted on Twitter. We are keen to ensure no child feels bullied at school and always treat any concerns about this issue seriously.



Volunteers in school

If you have an interest in helping in school we will be running further training in the New Year. Safe guarding training is on **Monday 14 January, 1.30pm in Rainbow House on (M) site**. If you are able

to offer help on a weekly or fortnightly basis we would very much like to see you at the meeting. Please also mention this to any local grandparents who may have some time to spare- we currently have a number of grandparent helpers and really value their support.

PTFA

Christmas PTFA Gathering
7.30/8pm **Tuesday 11 December**,
Gander Pub for dinner and drinks

Pupil Premium

I would like to remind all parents who are eligible, to apply for the Pupil Premium Grant. This grant enables the school to provide additional support to our children where needed. Examples of this are, access to extra-curricular clubs such as football, swimming and athletics, loan tablets for those children who cannot access the curriculum at home and additional support with specific areas of the curriculum.

Any family in receipt of the grants listed below are eligible to apply for this grant, which is then allocated to our school.

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Employment & Support Allowance (**must be Income Related** and not Contribution Based)
- Child Tax Credit **with no Working Tax Credit and where the household income is less than £16,190**. You do not qualify if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit unless you are newly unemployed, when you can receive Free School Meals for four weeks on production of a Tax Credit

programme of sports and as much access to a large number of children as possible. So far this year we have organised and participated in Badminton, Handball and Indoor Athletics LEO competitions which have been hosted both here at Cheam Park Farm and across other LEO schools. The following competitions have been planned for the rest of the year. These are all in addition to local Sutton Borough London Youth Games qualifiers, Borough friendlies and Sutton Sports Partnership festivals.

Dec - Year 3/4 5-a-side football festival (Cheam Fields)

Feb - Year 5/6 Hockey festival (Cheam Fields)

March - Year 3-6 Dodgeball festival (Cheam Park Farm)

June - Year 3/4 Tri-Golf Festival (Cheam Common Juniors)

June - Year 4-6 Table Tennis Festival (Cheam Park Farm)

July - Year 5/6 Volleyball Festival (Cheam Common)

July - Year 4/5 Rounders (Cheam Park Farm)

Local Sporting Clubs

If anyone knows of any local sports clubs who would like to carry out taster sessions on either (M) or (K) Site please let Mrs Wight or Mr Vigor know. If we are able to accommodate the clubs within our own school we would be happy to develop a contract or alternatively the club may meet at another venue but be looking to increase the participation of primary aged children.

Admissions

The last day for submitting an application to Cheam Park Farm Primary Academy for Reception or

Decision Notice from HMRC.

You will be required to produce other evidence to prove eligibility after this date.

- Guarantee Pension credit
- NASS cards & Immigration papers

If all parents who are eligible apply for Pupil Premium, it may result in the school receiving substantial funding which will be used for the benefit of the children, so please apply.

Applying for this grant is very simple, it can be done online at www.sutton.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals or you can telephone 0208 770 6953 and select the free school meal option. If you feel you would like support in applying for this grant please contact Mrs Littlewood (M) or Mrs Ferris (K) at the school, who will be happy to go through this process with you. All applications are confidential within the school.



Orchestra

Thursday 6 December

The orchestra Christmas Concert is at 3.45 pm. Children should stay as usual for orchestra and parent should arrive at 3.40pm, wait outside the Y3 Gate and will be let in to enter through the side door of the hall.

All parents of orchestra children should pay the subscription for the club of £27.50 for the term. This includes entrance to the concert.

Behaviour Review

We have recently held a review of our Behaviour Policy. This is to ensure our procedures on each site follow the same guidance and that teachers are consistent in their

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approach to sanctions. The review highlighted some areas for action.

We have made clear which behaviours would be considered serious and take a stronger form of sanction.

Serious Incidents include:
Intentionally damaging property;
Causing physical and emotional harm;

Bullying others; to include using racist or homophobic language.

The restorative approach to incidents will now be used on both site to promote problem solving and empathy:

What happened?

How do you feel about it?

Who has been affected and how?

What needs to happen to make everyone feel better?

What can we agree will happen next time?

Parents will be informed regarding behaviour incidents which are considered a more serious nature. We are pleased that our Behaviour Policy contributes greatly in fostering a safe and nurturing environment. Procedures at CPFPA are regularly reviewed and improved to ensure all children are happy and have a valued platform to be heard.



Christmas Lunch (M & K)

Please note this event will take place on **Wednesday 19 December**. Places need to be booked with the office and paid for on Parent Pay for K site.



Look forward to seeing you at our Christmas events,

With best wishes,
Alison Day
Head teacher