

## Informer Number 1

Term 1 — 29th September 2017

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**Welcome:** A very warm welcome to our new Reception children and all other children who have joined us this term.

**Congratulations:** Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Shamsaddini who are expecting a baby in January. We will be welcoming Mrs Edwards back to CGPS to cover Mrs Shamsaddini's maternity leave. Also congratulations to Mr and Mrs Huggett on the birth of their son this week.

**Facebook:** The school Facebook page is regularly updated with information to keep you informed. If you do not have a Facebook account, the information will be available via the newsletters as usual. We may post pictures of children to Facebook if you have given parental permission. Please also remember to use Facebook and other forms of social media in a responsible manner.

**Parent Forum:** Would you like to be a part of our Parent Forum? We meet three times per year to discuss issues raised and the minutes are shared on our website. Please contact the school office if you would be willing to join us in improving the school and being part of a school body which makes improvements to the educational experience for your children.

**Medication:** Reminder that pain relief medication must be supplied in a sachet.

**PE kit:** Please note that our PE uniform is as follows:

- Black shorts
- T-shirt in house colour (available from the school office)
- Trainers (with velcro)
- Black/grey/navy tracksuit during winter

Skorts are not appropriate PE wear as they catch on the apparatus in gymnastics sessions. Please ensure that your child has shorts.

**Cameras:** Children should not bring fit bits, smart watches, mobile phones or any other cameras into school.

**After School Sports Clubs:** Clubs will continue until w/c 4th December. Girls should wear leotard, cycling shorts or their PE kit for gymnastics or cheerleading. No crop tops please.

**Drinking water:** Children should only have water in their drink bottle and not juice please.

**Nuts:** Reminder that we are a nut free school. Please do not include any type of nuts in your child's packed lunch or for their snack.

**School dinners:** Years R, 1 and 2 continue to receive free school dinners. Payment for school dinners for KS2 children **must** be made in advance. You may pay cash/cheque to the school office or online [www.principals-catering.com](http://www.principals-catering.com).

**Uniform:** Please order and pay for school uniform online at [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk) using the password sent to you earlier this term. We will send a text when the uniform is ready to collect.

**Parking:** Please continue to park considerately and do not block driveways. Please also use the zebra crossing at pick up and drop off times to keep pedestrians safe.

**Head lice:** We have several cases of head lice in school. An indication that your child may have head lice is scratching their head at the areas around the ears and back of the neck. One of our parents has recommended a Nitty Gritty comb <http://www.nittygritty.co.uk/site/home.asp>. Please ensure long hair is tied back.

**Disco:** The next school disco will be held on Friday 3rd November. R/KS1 starts at 4.15pm and ends at 5.15pm. KS2 starts at 5.30pm and ends at 6.45pm. Reception children are welcome and parents can stay to settle their children if they so wish. Entry is £3.50 per child which includes a packet of sweets and unlimited drinks. Hot dogs, cakes and tattoos will be available for the children to purchase.

**Football team:** Now we are in our lovely, brand new building, it would be great for the school football team to have a brand new kit. If you would be interested in sponsoring our kit then please contact the office. The sponsor would be able to promote their business with their logo on the football shirts.

**Admissions:** Please be aware that the admissions policy regarding the sibling link for Reception children has changed. If you have moved further away from the school since the older sibling joined the sibling link will no longer apply and your application for a Reception place will be based on distance from the school at your current home address.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

Fri 29th Sep—Macmillan Coffee afternoon—2.30pm.  
Cake sale at 3.20pm

Wed 4th Oct—Kent Messenger to photograph Reception class for the newspaper

Mon 9th Oct— Open morning for prospective parents for Reception 2018—10am

Thu 12th Oct— Kent Test results for Yr6

Mon 16th Oct—Parent Forum—2pm

Wed 18th Oct— Harry Potter Day in Yr4

Thu 19th Oct—Parent Consultations

Mon 23rd Oct to Fri 27th Oct—Half term

Mon 29th Oct—Start of term 2

Tue 31st Oct— Yr1 trip to Historic Dockyard Chatham

Wed 1st Nov— Open morning for prospective parents for Reception 2018—10am

Fri 3rd Nov—Height and weight measurements for Yr6

Fri 3rd Nov—School disco

Thu 9th Nov — Flu vaccination for YrR-4

Fri 10th Nov—Phil the Bag collection

Fri 10th Nov—Individual and sibling photographs

Tue 14th Nov—Yr1 & 2 cinema trip

Fri 17th Nov—Children in Need

Fri 17th Nov—Yr3 & 4 cinema trip

Thu 23rd Nov—Yr5 & 6 cinema trip

Tue 28th Nov—Open morning for prospective parents for Reception 2018—10am

Fri 1st Dec — School choir carol singing at Sainsburys Northfleet

Thu 14th Dec —Open morning for prospective parents for Reception 2018—10am

Fri 15th Dec—Christmas Jumper Day

Wed 20th Dec—End of term 2

Thu 4th Jan— Start of term 3

**Phil the Bag:** The next collection will be on Friday 10th November. Please bring bags to the school office during the week of 6th-9th November to prevent us being too cluttered for too long. We collect adult and children's clothing, shoes, handbags, belts, hats, curtains, towels and bedding.

**PTA Fund Raising:** Easyfundraising is the easiest way to raise money for Culverstone Green School PTA. Shop with any of over 2000 well known retailers listed on [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and a percentage of what you spend is passed to Culverstone Green School PTA—Meopham at no additional cost to you. Retailers include Amazon, Vodafone, eBay, Tesco and many more. Please register to support us today: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/culverstonegreenpta/>