



Weekly Newsletter

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

Value of the month
Love

CIS Young Voices Choir

Thank you to Mrs Field and the wonderful Junior School Choir who performed for us earlier this week. We enjoyed watching the choir perform three fantastic songs and we also joined in with some body percussion. The children were amazed to watch a live performance and it was a wonderful opportunity for our Year 2 children to find out about life at the Junior School and for us to observe how past children have grown!



Mini English Champions

Our Mini English Champions, from Year 2, visited some of the Reception children this week. They were able to read new stories together and engage in lots of exciting book talk. They acted as exemplary role models!



Philosophy Friday

Have a go at this question at home with a grown-up!

Who would you rather be chased by... A herd of sheep? Or an elephant?

Why?

DIARY DATES:

Parent Consultations

10th February

PTA Cake Sale

13th February

Last Day of Term

14th February

Half Term

17th-21st February

Inset Day

24th February

Curriculum Workshop

Y2- 25/02

First Day of Term

25th February

World Book Day & Big Read (AM)

6th March

For other important dates, please visit the Calendar page on our school website.

Attendance Bear

The Attendance for the week is as follows:

1st Panda, Giraffe & Starfish 97%

2nd Octopus & Jaguar 96%

3rd Turtle 95%

Well done everyone!



Conduct

Following the letter sent to parents last week regarding conduct, we would like to thank you for the support given. As identified previously, we are fortunate at CIS to have an experienced and dedicated team. Our staff work hard to ensure that your child/children are supported in the best way possible. We know that most of our families help to ensure that our school is a warm, welcoming and special place for the children to grow and learn. Thank you for your warm words of appreciation and feedback following the communication around this.

Churchfields Film Club

'INTO FILM' is a club here at Churchfields that runs each Tuesday in Acorns. It is a popular club as the children get a choice of films from the BFI certificate 'U' to watch. So far we have looked at family and friendships, the natural world, space and countries.

The environment is relaxed as the children lounge on scatter cushions and bean bags whilst watching with interest. They analyse scenes and discuss with each other, with growing confidence and respect, their views and opinions about the film and enjoy star rating it. This is a fantastic way to develop their speaking, listening and critical thinking skills.



PTA Valentines Cake Sale

Thank you to our PTA for organising our Valentine's Cake sale on **Thursday 13th February**.

Please do sign up to help sell the cakes as this is a popular event and your support will be greatly appreciated.

Cakes will be on sale outside the infant office from **3pm** to enable parents/carers to buy before collecting children. **We will open the gates a little earlier (from 3:00pm) so you can collect your children to ease the crowding.**

Please see the attached poster for further details on donations.



World Book Day- Big Read

World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 6th March**. We have planned several events to take place to celebrate our love of books and reading:

- For Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, we will be hosting a Big Read from **8:55 to 9:25am**. Children are encouraged to come into school wearing pyjamas and with their favourite (named) books ready to join our 'Bookfast'.
- Nursery will host a **'Stay and Play'** session (with children also wearing pyjamas!) which will include time for reading. The times are as follows:



Morning session 8:45 – 10:00 am



Afternoon session 1:00 – 2:00 pm

(from 12:45 pm for parents of afternoon children)



We look forward to seeing you there! Please see Newsletter 19 for more details.

RSHE Learning

This half term, as part of their PSED work, Reception have been considering what they like and what their friends are interested in too. The children have shared these interests with one another and with the class and this has informed their learning; for example, a recent interest in skeletons led to a week based around the story 'Funnybones'.



As part of their RSHE learning, Year 1 have been thinking about the qualities which make a good friend. The children have considered how and why to ask for help if they are experiencing difficulties, how to build new friendships, how to make others feel welcome, the boundaries of play and the importance of personal space.

In Year 2, the children have been exploring families. They have been learning that spending time with family is an important part of family life. They have also recognised that families can look different for different children and identified the people who love and care for them.



NHS Healthy Start

This initiative supports pregnant women and families with children under four by providing free vitamins, healthy food, and milk to those who are eligible. Redbridge Council has created a compelling short film designed to raise awareness about the scheme and make it easier for residents to apply.

Many families in Redbridge could be eligible for the Healthy Start scheme but simply don't know about it. To ensure it reaches as many people as possible, this short film has been translated into five languages, making it accessible to diverse audiences. It addresses common misconceptions and offers clear, step-by-step guidance on how to apply: [Healthy Start Scheme - YouTube](#).

Weekly Maths Challenge

Reception

This week in maths, we are exploring mass and weight.

We have been focusing on the terms 'heavier' and 'lighter', comparing the weights of different everyday objects and using balance scales.

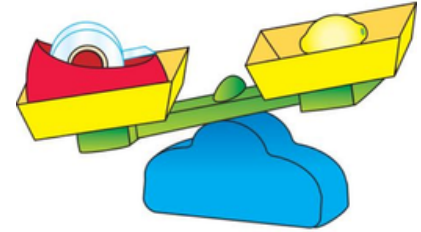
Can you find some objects around the house to compare?



Heavy



Light



Years 1 and 2

Gather two dice, each of them with faces labelled from 1 to 6.

When the dice are rolled they can be combined in two different ways to make a 2-digit number.

For example, if I roll a 2 and a 3 I can combine them to make 23 or 32.

Now round each of these numbers to the nearest 10. 23 rounds to 20 and 32 rounds to 30.

Repeat for other rolls of the dice.

Do both of the numbers you make ever round to the same multiple of 10?

There are some interactive dice that you can use for this problem.

<https://rich.maths.org/interactive-environments/dice-and-spinners-interactive>

Rounding to the Nearest 10

Round DOWN					Round UP					
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100



E-Safety Tip of the Week!



Safer Internet Day

This week, it is Safer Internet Day. Although we have explored this in school and shared an e-safety assembly with Miss Williams, the importance of being safe on the internet is threaded through our Computing and RSHE Curriculum. To help to reiterate some of the key messages at home, below is a link to Jessie & Friends. Jessie & Friends is a three-episode animated series which aims to equip 4-7 year olds with the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to help them stay safe from risks they may encounter online. <https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-friends-videos/>

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Churchfields PTA

VALENTINE'S CAKE SALE



Infants 13th February
Juniors 14th February

We need your donations of homemade or shop bought cake for our Valentine's cake sales. We'd be so grateful for any nut-free donations which can be left at either of the school offices from Monday 10th February. Please include an ingredients list with your homemade donations otherwise we can't sell them due to Natasha's Law. Many thanks for your support.

INFANTS: Thursday 13th February @ 3pm

JUNIORS: Friday 14th February during morning break. Please remember to send your child to school with 50p or £1. Cakes are 50p each and junior school children will be limited to 2 cakes.



If you are able to come along and help sell cakes please get in touch with one of the PTA or on the PTA Volunteers WhatsApp group.

**Please ensure cakes
are nut free!**

**Hurry -
Last few
places left**



HALF TERM CAMP

**A FUN FILLED WEEK OF
SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR
ALL!**



**17TH - 21ST
FEBRUARY**

**Hurry -
Last few
places left**

**Block booking
discounts!**

Activities

- ✓ Arts & Crafts
- ✓ Mini Olympics
- ✓ Workshops
- ✓ Competitions
- ✓ Fun Games and Prizes

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