



## Newsletter 2

### 25th September

#### Dear Parents & Families

Thank you for continuing to support us with new procedures. Now, more than ever, we must continue to do our bit to keep everyone safe. We know there are lots of the usual Autumn Term colds and other bugs around at the moment and understand the anxiety you may feel if you receive an email about suspected cases of Covid in your child's bubble. So far, all tests have been negative, and the temperatures and coughs we have been seeing are just colds, but we must continue to be vigilant. Your family must isolate and your child must be tested if they exhibit any symptoms (see over).

On a happier note, our new Red Class children have been in school for their first full days and we are so proud of them for how enthusiastically they have embraced school life! We were lucky last week to have a photographer in school to take new photos for the school website. Look out for these in the near future! Remember to follow us on Twitter to see all of the fantastic things that the children have been up to!

 @CaldecoteSchool

Thank you for all of the kind messages of support and thanks we have received from so many of you. It really does make a difference to staff knowing that your children are happy and all of their hard work is appreciated. Continue to stay safe and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Karen Stanton & Miss Becky Snelling  
Co-Headteachers

Welcome Red Class children!  
Well done for being amazing  
during your first full days!



## YOUNG MINDS

We are taking part in #HelloYellow in support of Young Minds for World Mental Health Day.

On **Wednesday 7th October** we ask that your child comes to school wearing something yellow – either with a subtle splash of colour or dressed like sunshine from head to toe! If you do not have anything yellow to wear, something bright and colourful will be fine. We would also ask that the children bring a voluntary donation of £1 to school for Young Minds.

## #HelloYellow

At a time when it's needed most, come together for #HelloYellow to support young people's mental health on World Mental Health Day.



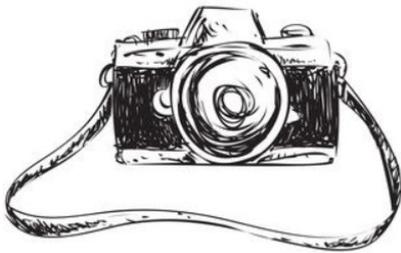
# Dates for the Diary

2020/2021 PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THE DATES SO YOU DON'T MISS ANYTHING	
Monday 28th September	Individual school photos (no siblings)
Wednesday 7th October	Wear Yellow for Young Minds
Week beginning Mon 12th October	*Parents Consultations
Monday 26th—Friday 30th October	Half Term
Monday 2nd November	Training Day
Thursday 19th November	Flu Immunisations-All years
Friday 18th December	End of term
Monday 4th January	Training Day
Tuesday 5th January	Spring term begins
<i>* More details to follow about how we will do parent consultations</i>	

Newsletter dates for this term: 9 & 23 October, 13 & 27 November, 18 December

## Remember individual school photos on Monday

Unfortunately this year we are unable to accommodate sibling photos.



## Do not send your child to school if they have:

- **a high temperature** – this means your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means your child cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

The whole household must self-isolate. Your child will need to isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms; the rest of the household should isolate for 14 days.

You should book a test for your child on NHS online or by phoning 119. Please note - only the person with symptoms should be tested and there is no need for others in the household to have a test, unless they also have any of the symptoms mentioned.

**Make sure you tell us immediately about any symptoms and when you receive the result of the test.**

**Donations :** Thank you for all of the kind donations of tissues, soap, hand sanitizer and anti bac wipes it is much appreciated. Thank you also for the huge pile of junk modelling resources that were very welcome in Red and Blue Classrooms!



# Celebration Assembly

We will continue to have our Celebration Assemblies on Friday afternoon but these will be via Zoom within school.

We are sad that we can't share this wonderful time with you all but hopefully your children will let you know all about it.

This week in Orange class we have been writing diary entries. We have been imagining that we are Barney from our class read 'Stig of the Dump' and writing about the first time we meet Stig. In Maths, we have been continuing our work on place value and a mystery machine helped us understand how to add and subtract 100 or 10 from a number. For our Topic work, we have been considering how to test rocks to determine which would make the best shelter and we have thought about music and artefacts from the Stone Age. We are looking forward to testing our rocks next week, using fair tests.

Red class have had a really busy week! We have been listening to the story: Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson. The children have been retelling the story and making story maps. They have also been practicing finding words that rhyme with broom, hat and frog! We also enjoyed painting weather pictures and making pretend fish and chips in the home corner. In maths, they have been sorting, matching and counting objects. Staying for lunch has definitely been a highlight of the week!

Yellow class have been learning Bumpus Jumpus Dinosaur Rumpus by Tony Mitton. We have been fortunate to have West End musical director Francis Goodhand compose a song for us to accompany the book. He has done an amazing job. Keep an eye on Twitter for our performance. As the weather is turning colder we will need the children to have jumpers and coats in school. We will continue to use outside as a learning space. Spelling list have been given out (Copies can be found on our seesaw page) we will be reviewing them with the children on Mondays.

Blue class have had a busy week! They have been on a 3D shape hunt where they have spotted lots of cubes, cuboids, cylinders, cones and spheres in our classroom and outdoor area. Pyramids were trickier to find! They have also built towers from a variety of 3D shapes making sure they chose suitable shapes very carefully. The children have been traveling around in different ways in their space cars during gymnastics, being careful not to bump into any other space cars! They have been learning how to take off and land safely when imagining they are a rocket blasting off into space. The children have been trying really hard with their phonics and letter formation every day this week and we can see so much improvement already! Well done Blue Class! We will be making rockets next week so would kindly appreciate contributions of cardboard tubes, thank you.

Green Class have enjoyed learning about rivers over the last few weeks. We have looked at rivers around the world and now know lots of great facts! We used the computers to re-search rivers and did lots of 'safe searching' online. In science, we are learning about electricity and we now know some electrical safety tips.

Purple class have been fantastic ambassadors for our school this week, taking part in the Bikeability courses sensibly and intelligently. The instructors were very impressed with both their cycling skills and their manners - well done everybody! We have also had time this week to finish our hanging wire fish sculptures and to decorate our classroom with some fabulous penguin drawings. We will be back to focusing hard on our maths and English learning next week!

Silver Class are enjoying learning all about the Victorian era, especially Crime and Punishment! They have been learning about Elizabeth Fry, which most of you would have recognised because she is on the back of the £5 note. As well as writing about Oliver Twist, we have watched some clips to inspire our writing (and we are now desperate to watch the whole thing!) and singing Food Glorious Food. During our emotional literacy session this week we have been discussing the feeling of tiredness, focusing where we feel it in our body and whether we can work and have fun when we are tired. In Maths, we are still focusing on our Place Value unit. Whilst rounding has been fairly easy, solving missing values on number lines has been somewhat tricky!



**Let's Celebrate .....**

**18/09/20**

**25/09/20**

**Star awards: YR-**

- Y1- Tristan Bird**
- Y2- Taylor Leeming**
- Y3- Ethan Bird**
- Y4- Bea Riddell Scothern**
- Y5- Lucy Turner**
- Y6- Rhys Woollard**

- Jessica Smith**
- Nia Rees**
- Sophie Place**
- Toby Chisnall Waddy**
- Gracie Rickard**
- Madeleine Grant**

**Golden Book: Annie Wallis  
Evie Coniam**

**Advay Nair  
George Drayton**

**Well Done Everyone!**

**Care Clubs**



**It is great to be back!!**

**All of the children have settled well into their new "Bubbles" and are adhering well to the new rules and routines, they are especially liking being served breakfast as they feel like they are in a restaurant. We have welcomed new families from Red class this week and they are settling into Careclubs well.**

**Online Safety**

All of the children across the school have been reminding themselves of our code of conduct for using devices and working online safely. This is something that we will revisit frequently over the year as the children work towards becoming safe and confident users of technology.

**Online Risks: Device Addiction**

The coronavirus pandemic and lockdown have meant more time spent at home. This naturally may have led to an increase in screen time for children. Computers, phones and tablets bring many positives and have proved to be a valuable way of keeping in touch with others over the lockdown. However, if the amount of time spent on screens becomes excessive this can have damaging effects. National Online Safety have written a guide about the risk of device addiction and within this have included some useful guidelines for parents to manage their children's screen times.

This can be found here:<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/online-risks-series-9-device-addiction>