



Cypress Primary News

22nd July 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a year we have had! We are so proud of every single Cypress child for their efforts this year and hope that you enjoyed reading their end of year reports. Our children have shown a great deal of resilience and determination and we are certain they will carry this forward next academic year. We wish our amazing Year 6 good luck on the 'next big step' of their educational journey and we wish them all the best. They know that with effort and perseverance they can achieve any goal they set for themselves; we will miss them greatly.

A huge 'thank you' to Mrs Roberts, who has led Cypress Lower School wonderfully whilst Mrs Sorensen has been on maternity leave. We know that many of you will want to thank her personally for her efforts and commitment to Cypress this academic year. Mrs Roberts will be remaining in the Trust as a Teaching and Learning Lead as well as working with the Year 6 team at Ecclesbourne, so we hope to still see her regularly at Cypress. We are so grateful for her hard work and support and wish her all the best.

We would also like to thank all the parents, carers and staff who have worked tirelessly to support the children this year, particularly during our periods of home learning. We wish all of our Cypress families, staff and friends a very happy, healthy and safe summer break and look forward to welcoming our children back to school on **Monday 6th September.**

Mrs Carpenter, Mrs Roberts and Mrs Sorensen (Heads of School)



Reading Rewards Update from Mrs Parker

Thank you for engaging so brilliantly with all our reading events this year including our Lockdown Book Week and Covid safe Book Fair! Also for continuing to encourage your children to get their reading miles in by reading every day. We have held reading surveys with parents and children and considered all of the feedback. As a result we are making changes from our Accelerated Reading rewards to our own Cypress '*Reading Tree - Growing Readers*' next academic year. We are keen to reward reading with reading related rewards so expect to see more Reading Cafes and Bedtime Book afternoons! Please look out for more information in September with our launch. In the meantime please check out the Summer Reading Challenges here: [CYP – Summer of Reading | Pegasus Academy Trust](#). Have a lovely Summer of Reading!

Goodbye from Mrs Roberts

It's been an absolute pleasure working with a team of brilliant staff in such a welcoming community. I feel our school has coped very well with the many changes that we have had to implement over the past year; however it was the children's love of learning and enthusiasm that has kept us going. Cypress children are full of compassion, care for one another and live Pegasus values every single day. Welcome back, Mrs Sorensen.

Gold Award

Our final Gold Award of the academic year has celebrated those children who are true 'Pegasus People'. We use five simple statements to remind ourselves what this means and these are displayed in every classroom and discussed with the children regularly. These students have been role models to others and embody our school values. Well done to all our Gold Award winners!

Red class – Caleb & Ruby
Yellow class – Finley & Shen
Orange class – George G & Gabriella
Blue class – Harry & Bea
Green class – Autumn & Ignas
Indigo class – Summer & Donald
Ruby class – Emerson & Lily-Mathilde
Violet class – Tosca & Luca
Turquoise class – Jessie & Zephaniah
Cedar class – Sam & Flora
Holly class – Gracie & Kevin

Birch class - Poppy & Ruby
Hawthorn class - Nikolai & Violet
Lime class – Romy & Elijah
Rowan class - Lena & Ilaria
Sycamore class - Thalia & Nicky
Hazel class - Sangeeth & Loretta
Willow class – Ella & Leonor
Larch class – Joseph & Eleanor
Oak class – Isabella & Archer
Beech class - Cassie & Owen



Please find below a list of activities available for pupils over the summer holiday that Croydon Local Authority have made us aware of:

Upper Norwood Library Hub summer programme:

<https://www.uppernorwoodlibraryhub.org/>

The summer reading challenge:

<https://www.croydon.gov.uk/libraries-leisure-and-culture/libraries/summer-reading-challenge-2021>

Kinetika Bloco summer school on the South Bank for 10-18yrs:

<https://www.kinetikabloco.co.uk/join-us/>

Legacy reloaded youth zone for **young people aged 8-19, or up to 25 if you have a disability** <https://www.legacyyouthzone.org/legacy-reloaded/>

Young Croydon are running outdoor, multi-sports events across the borough. Sessions from 1pm to 4pm for young people aged 8-18 on various dates. Link to information here:

<https://www.pegasusacademytrust.org/media/Young-Croydon-Presents-multi-sports-event-1.pdf>

Young Croydon are running a summer arts programme at the Samuel Coleridge Taylor Centre from 27th July to 26th August 2021. Link to information here: <https://www.pegasusacademytrust.org/media/Young-Croydon-Presents-Summer-Programme.pdf>

For pupils eligible for benefits related free school meals: Free performing arts programme from the 2nd August 2021 - 26th August 2021 at St James The Great Roman Catholic School, Thornton Heath, CR7. Parents are required to register via our website: <https://www.skipzproductions.org/skipzhafcroydon>

For pupils eligible for benefits related free school meals: Upper Norwood Library Hub and Croydon Libraries are proud to present Annie and Oliver Summer Holiday Camps. There are 2 sessions, am and pm, which will run for 4 weeks from 2 Aug until 26 Aug with healthy meals and snacks provided each day. Further information can be found here <https://www.uppernorwoodlibraryhub.org/haf>

Wishing you all a fun filled summer holiday!

