

Principal's update

I am very concerned to see in the news about a very significant rise in the number of Measles cases in the UK. The virus spreads very quickly and as vaccination rates have sadly dropped, more children are vulnerable to infection. The main symptoms of Measles are a fever and a rash but it can cause more serious complications such as meningitis, and at worst such an infection can be fatal.

Hillingdon Borough has informed us of a number of cases of Measles in the local area. It is therefore vital to check that your child has received the MMR vaccination. Public Health strongly recommend that all children at school are up to date with their MMR vaccines. Children routinely receive their first dose at one year of age and their second dose from three years four months old.

If your child has not yet received two doses of the MMR vaccine or you are unsure, please arrange for them to receive these through your GP or practice nurse as soon as possible. A more detailed letter from Public Health is on the app and school website.

Please let us all work together to keep our school community healthy and happy.

Dates for your diary Staff Development Day

Friday 26th May 2023

Half Term

Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd
June 2023

End of Term

Fri 21st July 2023

Attendance

The class with the best attendance this last week was:

1st place: 6DS 6GD 6KB 6LL
& 6RH

2nd place: 4EJ

3rd place: 4KS

**It will be a non-uniform day for
Year 6 on Fri 19th May, well done!**

Meet the Staff:

CPA has a pupil journalist team who take it in turns to interview staff members. This month's interview has been carried out by : Safa and Emilia Year 6.

Name of staff member: Lisa Lester **Role:** Teacher and Year 6 Team Leader

What do you enjoy most about working at Cranford Park Academy?

I enjoy working with the people at Cranford and I have made lots of close friends. I like the feel of this school, I thought the school had a good feel when I first came. I like the fact that everyday is different and I love the children.

How would you describe Cranford Park Academy to someone who does not know the school?

I think the school is very vibrant, busy, welcoming and happy.

Do you have any hobbies?

I do a little bit of running and try to do it 3 times a week. I like watching my children playing football (Sunday league -football matches), I also like watching comedy films on Netflix.

What is your favourite book?

War Horse by Michael Morpurgo is the only book that made me cry but I do like children's books more than adult ones.

What is your best memory of working here so far ?

The year 6 productions in assembly are my favourite memory of my year here.



Safeguarding:

What are TikTok challenges?

Challenges are any idea that goes viral. They can be songs, activities, or dances that start trending and then get copied by users on the platform. Sometimes they're spontaneous, but sometimes they're planned out by brands, musical artists, or influencers for marketing purposes.

Most of the popular challenges, such as the dances people can follow and pranks such as the backwards hoodie fridge mixup are harmless. But some, such as the febreze burns challenge and the skull-breaker, are really dangerous. Learn more about viral internet stunts and how to talk to your kid about them.

Children at CPA **should not** have TikTok as it is a 13+ age rating and children have been influenced and have ended up hurting themselves.

Well-Being:

Meaningful May 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Do something kind for someone you really care about	2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do	3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small	4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together	5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why	6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful	7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why
8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today	9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today	10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times	11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder	12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you	13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture	14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature
15 Do something to contribute to your local community	16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better	17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful	18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about	19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful	20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable	21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger
22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about	23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of	24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today	25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why	26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful	27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others	28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight
29 Today do something to care for the natural world	30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost	31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future				

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS Happier · Kinder · Together




Self-confident Trustworthy Ambitious
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Events:

At CPA we celebrated the King's Coronation by forming the shape of a crown with all our children dressed in their lovely red, white and blue colours!



Ofsted Inspection:

As you are aware on Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th May CPA had an Ofsted inspection. The report is being drafted and will be published before the end of the school year; as soon as it is available I will share with you.

Although I am not allowed to share specific details of the outcome of the inspection until the report is finalised I can say that the inspection went well and the children made us very proud! Thank you so much for your continued support which is hugely appreciated.



Curriculum Showcase:

Nursery

The King's Coronation!

On Friday 5th May, the children from Play 2 Learn and the Nursery celebrated the King's coronation by having a party!



We wore the crowns we made, waved our flags and shared some party food. We had a great time!

Curriculum

Reception



Reception have been learning all about 'Minibeasts'.

We went on a minibeast hunt in our garden and then brought them in to the classroom to investigate further.

We loved the wriggly worms the most!

Curriculum Showcase:

Year 1



In year one, we are continuing on with our History topic of the Victorians. We have been learning about the changes that have happened throughout the years. Last week we explored how toys have changed throughout the times and are now typically made of plastic, are colourful and more electronic than in the Victorian times. The children were able to play with some of the toys children in the Victorian times did, they had a wonderful time and enjoyed using their imaginations!



Curriculum Showcase:

Year 2



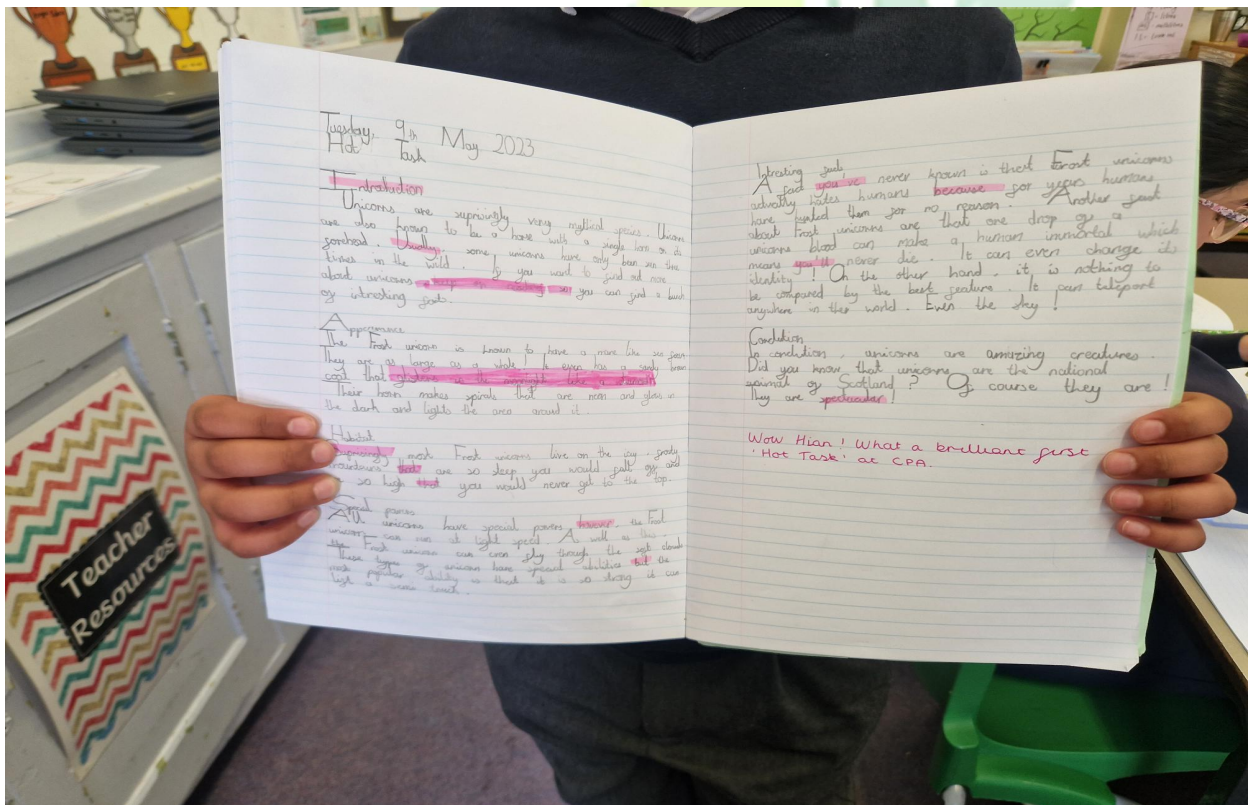
A huge well done to all of the children in Year 2 for completing their end of KS1 assessments. They have all worked so hard this year and their teachers are very proud of their achievements. The children enjoyed celebrating with a picnic and games on the school field in the sunshine



Curriculum Showcase:

Year 3

Year 3 have enjoyed writing their non-chronological reports on unicorns! Hian, who has recently joined Cranford Park Academy, wrote an excellent report, which impressed all the year 3 teachers!



Curriculum Showcase:

Year 4

Year 4 have been getting hands on in maths, learning all about money.



Curriculum Showcase:

Year 5



Year 5 celebrated the coronation of King Charles III by creating a portrait of him in the style of Picasso. We had great fun combining abstract drawing with large blocks of colours.



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Curriculum Showcase:

Year 6

This term year six are learning about living Things. They used quadrants to take samples of living things in different habitats around our school. They learnt many names of the types of wildflowers found as well as noticing nature around them more closely.



Mrs Hall's Recommended Reads

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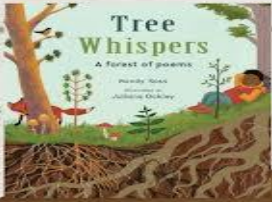
Nursery and Reception



Luna loves books and dresses as her favourite book character – but then her costume rips! What will she do? A delightful board book showing the joy of imaginative play and of stories.

Luna Loves Books by Joseph Coelho

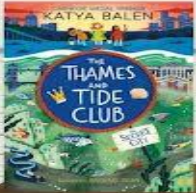
Year 1 and 2



In a lovely collection of tree-themed poems, Mandy Ross takes us from Joshua Tree in the American desert to the pine and oyamel trees of Mexico, to a snowy forest and the trees in a city – and many more!

Tree Whispers: A Forest of Poems by Mandy Ross

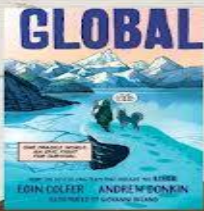
Year 3 and 4



Clem and her friends love mudlarking – but when they find a strange object by the shores of the River Thames, they discover a whole new secret world... Dive in to this fun, friendly new fiction series!

The Thames and Tide Club: A Secret City by Katya Balen

Year 5 and 6



This is a powerful, hopeful and timely story about the real effects of climate change: two young people on different continents whose lives are catastrophically changed by global warming. A graphic novel with glorious colour artwork throughout for children of all ages.

Global by Eoin Colfer and Andrew Donkin

