



Autumn 2023 Newsletter 1

Hello CSA community,

What a busy term it's been with some great learning and trips taking place. Years 3 and half of year 5 have been out this week and year 6 had their residential. We were so proud of the conduct the year 6 children showed while out and about and they represented the school so well. I'd like to give a special thank you to the adults that made that trip happen and who gave up their own time to stay late and even overnight. Next term brings our, dare I say it, Christmas events! Please see the final page for dates. The children will be busy learning festive songs and we'll look forward to seeing you at their performances.

I hope you have a wonderful two weeks off and look forward to seeing you again on the 6th of November.

Mrs Wilkinson Head of School

Break a leg!

Good luck to year 6 pupil Bertie Rackham who is taking part in Lionel Bart's "Oliver" at the Princess Theatre, Torguay from Wednesday 25th - Saturday 28th October. Tickets are available for this TOPS musical production @ ATGTICKETS.COM/TORQUAY

> At CSA our core ethos value is that of respect and we would expect to see that from all members of our school community. Our staff are always working hard to provide your children with the best experience possible and as a school we do not tolerate threatening or intimidating behaviour.

PE kit reminder

Winter PE kit:

White PE top (with or without CSA logo) Girls - Grey or black skort, shorts or black leggings OR shorts over leggings Boys - black shorts or black joggers Gusset plimsolls White socks Blue PE bag

Summer PE kit:

White PE top (with or without CSA logo) Girls - grey or black skort or black shorts Boys - black shorts Gusset plimsolls White socks Blue PE bag

Year 5 & 6 Choir members perform

Children visited Belle Vue Care Home to sing to residents at their BBQ. Mrs Mencarini, music leader, said "I am lost for words about how amazing this lot are. Friendly, polite, brave and funny. An absolute credit!"

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Year 1 went on a walk around Paignton as part of their Geography and English units of learning, looking at human and physical features of where we live and collecting vocabulary for the sounds we can hear by the seaside and the things that we see at the beach.



Festivals

This term we participated in three festivals where we had Year 6 taking part in a hockey festival where the children practised the correct techniques of how to pass, shoot and dribble which then lead into games against other schools. Our other two festivals the years 4 and 2 took part in were tag rugby which both practised



the correct skills and techniques needed in tag rugby and how they can work collaboratively to win games.



On 4 October Mr Titchard and Mr Jeffery took part in a **Bikeability** course to educate themselves further and gain a level 1 qualification on how to effectively teach balance bike training. After completing this qualification this enables both Mr Titchard and Mr Jeffery



to teach learn to ride which is a level 1 course that can be taught within the curriculum in school.

Paignton schools' football league

We are hoping for renewed success at Paignton schools' football league at the fixtures on the 13th/20th/27th of November against other local schools.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to all our families who provided donations to the Paignton Community Larder at our Harvest Festival this week. They are delighted with the donation for families in need in Paignton.

WATER SAFETY TRAINING FOR YEAR 6

As part of a national program, the charity Above Water will be holding Water Safety Young Leader Training in areas around the UK. This unique method of teaching water safety and drowning prevention has already taught thousands of children in Cardiff, Oxford, London, Torbay and the Wirral including ourselves.

Curledge street Academy is sending four young leaders for the training. Once trained, these young leaders will return to school to teach and instruct their peers through classroom sessions and/or assemblies on how to become water safety smart!

Thank you to all our families who provided a shoebox to go to families and the elderly in need in Ukraine, Romania, Moldova and Bulgaria. We hope to have made a bleak

Christmas a little cheerier for the recipients!

Link to Hope Christmas shoebox appeal

Year 6 residential

Year 6 had an amazing experience at PGL in Barton! They were challenged to take part in a whole host of exciting activities, including abseiling, climbing, raft building and paddleboarding. We are very proud of the resilience and determination they all displayed in attempting each of the challenges. Photos will be shared with year 6 soon!









Monday 4th December Penguins nursery - Christmas songs & activities @ 2.15pm (in the nursery)

Tuesday 5th December Seals nursery - Christmas songs & activities @ 2.15pm (in the nursery)

Wednesday 6th December Seahorses class - Christmas nativity @ 2.15pm (main school hall)

Thursday 7th December

Christmas Jumper Day /non school uniform can be worn for a voluntary donation of £1.00 to Save the Children, please give the donation to the class teacher. Christmas Lunch- Traditional Roast Turkey/ Vegetarian Quorn Roast (no other selections available) to be eaten in classrooms (years 1-6)

> Friday 8th December Starfish class - Christmas nativity @ 2.15pm (main school hall)

Tuesday 12th December Years 1 - 3 Christmas performance @ 2pm (main school hall)

Wednesday 13th December Years 1 - 3 Christmas performance @ 2pm (main school hall)

Thursday 14th December Years 4, 5, 6 Christmas performance @ 2pm Paignton Methodist Church, Palace Avenue (doors open @ 1.50pm)

> Friday 15th December Final day - school closes 2pm



Year 5 trip to Dartmoor



On Tuesday Barracudas class visited Parke National Trust site to help plant a wild flower field. In the afternoon we ventured up to Dartmoor, to look at the features of a National Park and were able to visit Haytor and see what we had been learning in Geography in real life.



CURLEDGE STREET ROAD CLOSURE

This is a reminder that traffic going to neighbouring properties in Curledge Street are able to drive through the road closure at the beginning and end of the school day. We have challenged this with the local council and MP. In the meantime please continue to be cautious in the road and use the pavements wherever possible.

Individual and sibling photos - 8 November 2023

Jelly Images will be in school on this day to take individual photos of children for parents to order (they make ideal Christmas presents!). If parents/carers would like a photo taken with siblings from within school or children who do not attend CSA, bookings must be made in advance by 4pm on Monday 6 November 2023 using the link provided in our letter sent via Parentpay on 11 October. Unfortunately we will not be able to facilitate requests after this cut off time.

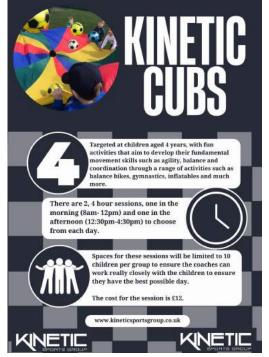
RagsToRiches the collection earlier this term raised £43 for the school's

Opportunities Fund. We will run this annually rather than bi-annually going forward.

Half term events with Kinetic Sports Group

Kinetic Sports Group has a multi-sports camp running at Oldway Primary School over October half term. They are also running swimming sessions within the camp on Tuesday 24th and an Inflatable day on Thursday 26th. The holiday camp programme is on the Kinetic Sports Group website or here: https://www.kineticsportsgroup.co.uk/holiday-camps

There is also provision for four year olds :





Torbay Velopark Open Day

As part of Torbay Leisure Centre's Open Day on Sunday 29 October, Torbay Velopark will be FREE to use from 10.00 am until 4.00 pm. Torbay Council and Cycle Torbay will be providing the following.

Torbay Velopark Big FREE Ride

Come and join us for this family-friendly mass participation ride at Torbay Velopark's Open Day on Sunday 29th October. You can ride as few or as many laps as you like on this wonderful traffic-free circuit. Certificates for the children to show how many laps they've achieved. Please register your interest to give us an idea of how many certificates to bring. Free bike and helmet hire will be available, but **this can't be guaranteed** so it's better to bring your own if you can.

Big FREE Bike Ride Registration

FREE Cycle Health Checks

Cycle Torbay cic will be present on the day to provide free cycle health checks, so why not pop down with your bikes and take advantage of this. No need to book.

FREE Bikeability Level 1

Bikeability level 1 teaches bike handling skills through games and **is open to children who can ride a bike without stabilisers from age 6 to 10 years old.** Bikeability Level 1 certificates and badges awarded. We have a choice of sessions - 9.30 am - 11.30 or 12.00 noon - 1.45 pm. They will need their own bike and helmet. Bike and helmet hire may be available on the day, but this can't be guaranteed. Booking essential.

Bikeability Level 1 Booking Link

For more information on Torbay Leisure Centre's Open Day, you can reach them on: **Torbay** Leisure Centre

Meal Bags

If any families are in need over the break, please contact our local foodbanks who can be found at: <u>https://www.torbayhelphub.com/food-banks</u>

The local one is Paignton Community Larder

01803 551886 102 Torquay Rd, Paignton, TQ12 2JD https://paigntoncommunitylarder.org.uk/ 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Key dates next term:

November:

- Monday 6th
- Wed 8 November:
- Friday 17 November:
- Thursday 7 December:
- Friday 15 December:

- school re-opens
- individual and sibling photos
- Children in Need appeal
- Christmas Lunch & Christmas jumper day
- school closes @ 2pm for the Christmas holidays

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