



The Cale Green Journal

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As we come to the end of another busy year, we reflect on another successful year in Cale Green Primary School's 130-year history. From introducing a very successful, new reading scheme and our Year 5 / 6 classes visiting Weaver Hall, way back in September to taking a group of Key Stage 2 to London and our Year 6 leavers on an amazing residential to Anglesey, in Wales in July. Cale Green continues to provide as many enrichment activities as possible to children of all ages despite budget cuts and a 'cost of living' crisis. At least 160 letters and 12 Cale Green Journals have been sent out to our families this year, which highlights our resolve to enabling the children to experience as many opportunities as possible. All of this supports and underpins our commitment to ensuring that our education is ambitious. Our curriculum offer sets high expectations and, as a result, our children succeed and are ready for their next steps in education. The success of the school is down to having over 340 fantastic children, amazingly supportive parents and families and a highly committed staff who continue to 'leave no stone unturned'.

Wishing everyone a lovely and peaceful summer break and look forward to seeing everybody in the autumn term ready and 'raring to go'. As ever, if you would like further details about anything, please don't hesitate to email:

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Sarah McHugh

Stockport Children's Shakespeare Festival



Our Key Stage 2 Drama club worked incredibly hard in preparation for performing at the Lowry theatre, Salford Quays as part of the Stockport Children's Shakespeare Festival. This year 2 audiences were entertained with William Shakespeare's comedy, 'Twelfth Night'. The children, as ever, were terrific and represented Cale Green magnificently. Next year we're hoping to take part discovering 'King Lear'.

Summer Concert



Everyone was treated to a lovely afternoon on the last day of June, when the sun was still shining with some beautiful singing when our newly formed Key Stage 1 choir joined forces with our well-established Key Stage 2 choir. Both choirs have rehearsed throughout the year and the audience were well and truly entertained. The choirs sounded amazing. Both choirs are now having a well-earned rest and will start back up during the autumn term.

A big 'thank you' to Miss Nabi, Mrs Buckley, Mrs Lewis and Miss Latimer for leading the choirs each week and providing them with lots of opportunities to perform.

Mellor Forest School



A group of pupils from Year 6 took part in a fabulous Forest School event recently up at Mellor Primary School. Forest Schools is an innovative and inspirational educational approach to outdoor play and learning and the whole group really enjoyed all the different activities and had lots of opportunities to learn from the great outdoors.

Golden Tickets

Congratulations to Zahra, Bodhi, Ahmad, Husain, Ruckaya, Inaaya, Sudishya and Anna who received a Golden Ticket for promoting our school values this half term. They all got to chose a book from the Vending Machine. Well Done everyone!

Gold Award

Congratulations to Jaxx, Oscar C and Harris who completed their Star Charts this month. They were awarded their Gold badges and their chosen books during their final Family Assembly at primary school. Year and of the school year.

Writing Oscars



Children across all age groups have made terrific progress with their writing. Congratulations to Leanna, Betsy, Devanandha, Ella W, Jake S, Violet, Jake T, Inaaya, Jaxon, Wilson, Mohammed and Oscar C for winning Writing Oscars for their class this term.

PE Kits

We continue to have a very positive response from families and staff about the children wearing their PE kits on the days when it is PE. There are lots of benefits- one of the main ones being that there is no lost learning time waiting for children to find their PE bag, get changed into their PE kits and then change back into their uniforms. We will, therefore, be continuing with this practice during the next academic year. **Children do NOT need to wear their PE kit on swimming days.**

A reminder that our PE kit consists of a plain white t-shirt (plain black t-shirt for Year 5 / 6) / plain black shorts, leggings, tracksuit bottoms or joggers and either pumps or trainers. Children may also wear their black school hoodie on PE days.

We will always try to keep the same PE kit days for at least half a term but there will always be odd changes to the timetable that are late notice and / or unavoidable but we will try to alert families via Twitter or email about these.

Freddy Fit



On a lovely summer's day, Freddy Fit came to work with all the children throughout the day. Everybody really enjoyed the sessions- they certainly got their hearts racing and their bodies moving.

Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 5th September

Back to School

(Reception and Nursery will have a separate timetable for the first couple of weeks. All families have received this information.)

Monday 25th September

Early Years 'Meet the Teachers' session 3.30-4

Saturday 23rd September

1st Cross Country Races- Woodbank Park

Tuesday 26th September

Key Stage 1 'Meet the Teachers' session

Wednesday 27th September

Lower Key Stage 2 'Meet the Teachers' session

Thursday 28th September

Upper Key Stage 2 'Meet the Teachers' session

Year 6 Residential



What a fantastic 3 days and 2 nights our Year 6 had at the Conway Centre on Anglesey. They enjoyed orienteering, problem-solving activities, Coastal Steering, canoeing, high ropes and zip-wire to name just a few! It was terrific to see our learning values coming to the fore- we saw lots of resilience, aspiration, inclusivity, caring for each other and kindness in abundance!

Residential are the times in your school-life that you remember for ever and I know that our Year 6 will have these memories forever! Thank you to Miss Nabi, Mrs Harding and Miss Foster for giving up their time to accompany them on this trip!

Thanks, and Good Wishes...



At the end of summer, we say 'thank you' and good luck to Mrs Sara Barron who will be standing down as a Governor at school. Sara has been a great supporter of the school for a number of years and will continue to be on the playground as a parent of a child. We wish Sara the best of good luck for the future.

Key Stage 2 Visit to London



On Friday 14th July, a group of 17 children from across Key Stage 2 along with Mrs Harding, Mrs Phillips, Mrs Walsh and Mrs McHugh went to London. As well as visiting the Tower of London, taking the tube and walking along the Embankment, they were also lucky enough to visit the Houses of Parliament where they got to have a tour and meet Lord Hayward and Navendu Mishra, our local MP.

It was a LONG day and everyone racked up a lot of 'steps' but also created memories to last a lifetime, we're sure!

Pre - Loved School Uniform Sale



Our pre-loved uniform sales, which take place on the last Friday of each month, are proving to be very popular. Our next one will be at 3.15pm on Friday 29th September. We have lots of washed items of school uniform, shoes, bags and coats - ALL at 50p per item. All money raised goes into school funds.

Stockport Children's Book Awards



The Stockport Children's Book Award encourages children and schools to take part in an exciting and engaging activity programme around some of the best current UK fiction titles. This year, Daksha Pillai was awarded the Cale Green 'Reader of the Year' for the astonishing progress she has made since coming to Stockport from India with no English. In one school year, she has moved up 8 reading bands and now is a beautifully, fluent reader. All her family and Daksha attended the ceremony on 4th July at the town hall. We are all SO proud of Daksha and her little sisters who are doing so well in school!

Reading Bingo

Congratulations to all the children who read ALL 20 books of their year groups' Reading Bingo list. A reminder that all titles can be found at Edgeley Library. 'Well Done' to Genna, Hamzah, Bankole, Reuben, Sahasra, Vivienne, Aneurin, Delilah, Freddie M, Georgie, Mikael, Rosie, Aisha Sa, Aisha Sh, Amarlee, Ezza, Musa, Yusuf K, Zara, Jake S, Lola, Dylan, Isla, Keir, Matilda D, Isaac IT, Lydia, Abdulla, Abdul, Robyn O'S, Robyn Y, Jack C, Emmie, Azariah, Lena, Elisia, Aisha A, Jasper, Willow M, Toby A, Fajr, Betsy, Shayaan, Lilly M, Aizah, Devanandha, Jacob N, Leo A, Rosie M, Devalakshmi, Sonny, Tobias, Indigo, Hunta and Sophie OF.

'Goodbye, for now, see you in October!'



At the end of the school year, we say a big 'goodbye' to our Year 6 cohort. Most of them started way back in Nursery in 2015 with Mrs Adie and Mrs Knox and now here we are waving them off to their high schools. We look forward to hearing from them and want to remind them all of the fact that, **'Once a pupil at Cale Green, ALWAYS a pupil at Cale Green!'**

On Thursday 5th October they are all invited back into school for a catch-up and some pizza to hear of their new adventures and friendships.

Stockport SHAPES Alliance Sports Award Ceremony



At Cale Green, we try to provide as many opportunities for the children to take part in sporting activities as possible- cycling, swimming, lacrosse, tennis, cricket, futsal, gymnastics and athletics to name just a selection. School recently attended the Stockport SHAPES Alliance's Celebration Evening at Stockport Plaza where we were successful in being awarded 4 trophies for 'Commitment to High Quality PE', 'Commitment to Leadership', 'Commitment to School to Club Links' and 'Commitment to Participation in PE, School Sport and Physical Activity'.

Cale Green Challenge

Congratulations to all the children who gained a Cale Green Challenge badge this month: Isabella B, Amani, Aisha A, Summer and Inaaya. September badges will be handed out on Friday 29th September. Remember to take any completed sheets to Mrs McHugh before then.

Cale Green Awards



The following children were awarded a Cale Green Values Award as nominated by staff around school:

'Kindness' award – **Leah Stott** (Mulberry)

'Being Aspirational' – **Jacx Hoffman** (Magnolia)

'Caring for the Community' – **Liam Wood** (Mulberry)

'Resilience' – **Riley Howarth** (Hawthorn)

'Inclusivity' – **Polina Dolhova** (Cherry)

The Active Citizen Award goes to **Mariana Bolton**. Over recent years, she has been passionate about fundraising and raising the profile of her Ukrainian heritage and she gives so much to the life of the school.

This year, our 'Spirit of Cale Green' award goes to **Lana Mustafa** who despite the many hurdles she has had to overcome, has thrown herself into the life of Cale Green.

Future Year 5 / 6 Sports Ambassadors



If YOUR child is moving into Year 5 or 6 next year and would like to be considered as one of Cale Green's Sports Ambassadors please ask them to apply for the position by writing a short letter or designing a poster explaining why they should be chosen. The role includes training, organising and running a lunchtime sports club and leading a 'Wake Up, Shake Up Wednesday' session on the playground at 8.40am each week. They should apply by **Wednesday 6th September.**