



The Cale Green Journal

Issue 1: September 2023

We hope everybody has enjoyed a good summer holiday and is looking forward to the start of a new school year at Cale Green. The school has been a hive of industry throughout August and has had a thorough deep clean from top to bottom.

Being fortunate enough to have a 130 year old school comes with lots of responsibilities and during the summer we have spent time working on different areas of school. We have had a completely new floor in the downstairs corridors and Cherry class and had an outdoor canopy built for Chestnut, Cedar and Cherry class.

A big congratulations to Mrs Powell-Gill, formerly Miss Nabi who married during the summer holidays.

As ever, if you would like further details about anything, please don't hesitate to email:

schooladmin@calegreen.stockport.sch.uk

New Staff

As well as saying a big 'welcome' to lots of new children in Early Years and across school, we also have some new members of staff starting.

Mrs Pajak and Miss Coffey will be joining our Early Years team as Teaching Assistants.

Miss Sajid starts as a Teaching Assistant in Mulberry class. Some of you may remember her as a PGCE student a few years ago.

We welcome back Mrs Taylor after having her beautiful daughter Piper. She will be splitting her 3 days across Early Years and Cherry, Chestnut and Cedar classes.

Miss Foster now has her own class and won't have to share Magnolia class with Mrs Harding. Mrs Lewis and Mrs Harding will now be sharing Mulberry class.

We look forward to them joining the Cale Green family and hope they enjoy their time at Cale Green.

'Meet the Teacher' sessions

We would like to invite families in to school to meet your child's class teacher(s), Teaching Assistants and to see their classroom. All sessions will take place from 3.20pm – 4pm.

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| Early Years | Monday 25 th September |
| Key Stage 1 | Tuesday 26 th September |
| Lower Key Stage 2 | Wednesday 27 th September |
| Upper Key Stage 2 | Thursday 28 th September |

School Dinners



A reminder that school dinners are £2.60 per day which is £13.00.

We are aware with the rising cost of living these are difficult times for many families. **We would therefore encourage you to visit the council website to check whether you are eligible to apply for Free School Meals, using the link below.**

<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in Primary schools in England are eligible for free school meals under the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme (UIFSM).

However, it is very important that you still apply for Free School Meals, using the link above, if you meet the criteria as this will mean that the school will benefit from over £1000 additional funding each year for your child from central Government (Pupil Premium).

They will also receive free meals when they are in Years 3 – 6 (if you continue to be eligible).

Please note that Nursery aged children are NOT part of the UIFSM scheme.

PE and Swimming 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 always try to alert families via Twitter or email about these.

Maple and Mulberry will have PE on Mondays and will be swimming on Tuesdays. (Starting week beginning Monday 11th September / first swimming lesson Tuesday 12th September)

Magnolia will have PE on Mondays / Tuesdays (Starting week beginning Monday 11th September)

Hazel, Hawthorn and Holly will have PE on Tuesdays and Thursdays. (Starting week beginning Monday 11th September.)

Cherry, Chestnut and Cedar will have PE on Mondays and Fridays (Starting Friday 8th September)

Beech and Birch will have PE on Wednesdays. (Starting Wednesday 13th September)

PE Kit

- black shorts, leggings, skort, tracksuit bottoms or jogging pants (PLAIN)
- white t-shirt (school logo or PLAIN)
- black t-shirt (PLAIN) for children in Mulberry, Maple and Magnolia
- black hoodie (School logo or PLAIN)

'Paying it Forward'



We want the children at school to experience trips and visits to enhance their learning and always try to keep these as cost effective as possible. Over recent years, a number of families have offered to pay for other children to attend some of these visits. As a result, we have set up a Parent Pay tab, this gives families the opportunity to pay for another child as well as their own if you wish and are able. This is, of course, completely voluntary.

Thank you to the families who have been able to do so.

End of Theme 1 Class Visits



Advance notice of the end of theme 1 parent and carers' class visits. These will take place in your child's classrooms.

Early Years Monday 30th October 2.40pm – 3.10pm

Key Stage 1 Tuesday 31st October 8.50am – 9.20am

Lower Key Stage 2 Wednesday 1st November 8.50 – 9.20

Upper Key stage 2 Thursday 2nd November 8.50 – 9.20

Dates for your Diary:

Saturday 23rd September- Cross Country – Woodbank Park

Wednesday 29th September- Macmillan Coffee Morning and

Cake Sale

-Harvest Festival

Friday 5th October - Mulberry Class Assembly

Parent Consultation Sessions

The first parent consultation sessions will take place over 2 days towards the end of the first half term.

Wednesday 18th October- 1.30pm – 3pm

(In the school hall)

4pm – 6pm (virtual)

Thursday 19th October- 10am – 11.30am

(Virtual / online)

School Uniform and Pre-Loved Uniform Sale



Families are still able to buy uniform from Davensport which is on Bramhall Lane. They stock uniform which has the school's logo on. You are able to go into the shop and check the sizes before buying.

A reminder that the first Pre-loved Uniform sale of next year will be on **Friday 29th September** at 3.15pm. We have lots of uniform, coats and bags for sale. All items are 50p.

Acorn Fund



A reminder that we have lots of friends and families of Cale Green who have very kindly donated sums of money to our Acorn Fund. If your family are in need of some financial support please do contact school.

Safe parking around school

Please see below some information from the Road Safety team in Stockport Council.



School Photographs



A photographer will be in school on Monday 2nd October to take individual and brother / sister group photographs of the children in school.

Families of children who attend the End of the Week Nursery may come to school at 9am to have their photos taken first.

Nursery, Reception and High School Admissions

A reminder that Year 6 must apply for their High school places by the end of the day on 31st October 2023.

Reception places close on 15th January 2024.

Nursery places close on 31st March 2024.

School website- 'School Spider' APP

Did you know that School Spider now have an APP? You can download it for FREE via the iTunes store or via the Google Play Store for Android devices.

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/school-spider/id1030400910>

You can see more about the APP by watching the Youtube video: <https://youtu.be/jPmH->

Future Year 5 / 6 Sports Ambassadors



If YOUR child has moved 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 13th September.**

Family Assemblies



Each Friday we hold a family assembly in the school hall for families of children in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. (Families in Reception are invited during the summer term when their children join the assembly. This starts at 9.15am.

If you are unable to attend, we also have an online link which is meet.google.com/nzu-mdcc-dcz



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School Keep Clear markings outside School entrances must be kept clear of Stationary vehicles, even if picking up or dropping off Children. An upright sign will be nearby.

Highway Code Rule 238

Did You Know?



H bar road markings are to deter parking over driveways and other vehicle access points. Obstruction can result in a fine by the police or Local Authority. Parking on or near a junction can also cause a safety obstruction.

Where possible walk or cycle to School to help with creating a safer and healthier zone around



Single and double yellow lines denote parking restrictions. A **single yellow line** means no waiting or parking during times shown on a sign nearby. A **double yellow line** means no waiting or parking at any time. Kerb markings mean no loading or unloading.

Highway Code Rule 238 You must not wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation. Double yellow lines

Parking fully or partially across a dropped kerb, such as a driveway, is classed as an obstruction and could result in a penalty notice from the Police or Local Authority.

Blocking a dropped kerb, pavement or parking on a crossing, causes problems for pedestrians trying to use a safer place to cross. This particularly affects people with disabilities or Pushchairs.

Highway Code rule 243

Do not park where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles.

