



St Cecilia's

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Therefore encourage one another, and build each other up.'

Welcome to St Cecilia's CofE Primary School

Year 6 Parents Information



GRATITUDE



KINDNESS



FORGIVENESS



TRUTHFULNESS



PERSEVERANCE



WISDOM

School Vision and Values



'Therefore encourage one another, and build each other up.'







Thessalonians 5:11

At St Cecilia's our vision is to be a school community where we celebrate everyone's gifts, and where everyone has a chance to flourish and grow together.



Behaviour

 **Our Key Code** 

 <p>We work hard and try our best</p>	 <p>We always tell the truth</p>	 <p>We are ready to forgive</p>
 <p>We are polite, kind and respectful to all</p>	 <p>We look after our school environment</p>	 <p>We encourage and celebrate one another</p>

These are our school rules

They are linked to our school values

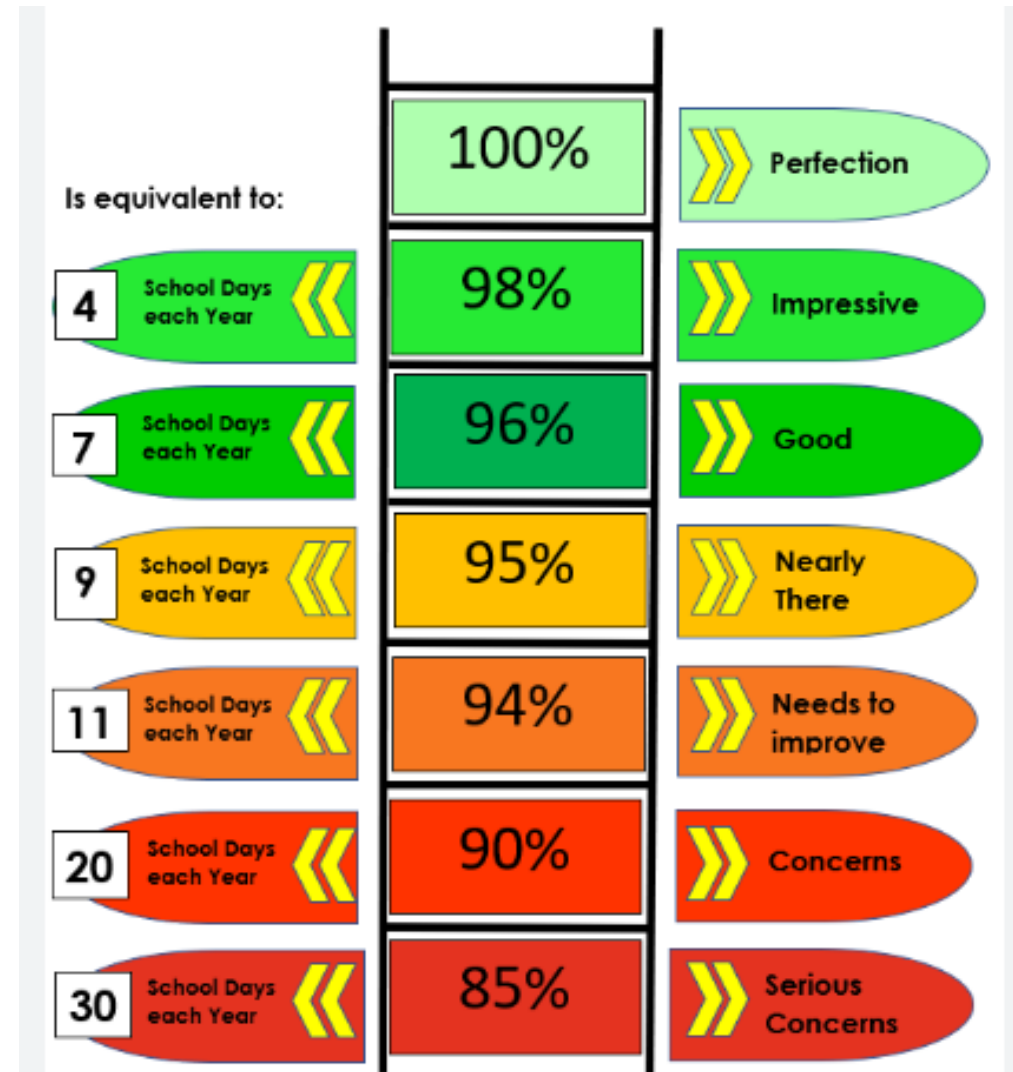
We focus on positive behaviour and promote kindness at all times

We discuss the impact behaviour has on others

If needed children complete reflection time sheets if behaviour becomes persistent

Attendance

- ▶ The Government continue to place high priority on attendance.
- ▶ When a child is absent from school due to sickness, we expect that the school is informed before 9.15am via the school office.
- ▶ This allows us to be sure that we know where all the children are and do not need to spend time trying to contact parents/carers.
- ▶ If attendance drop below 95%, or we identify a pattern in absences, you will be contacted to discuss this.
- ▶ If attendance becomes an issue we will work collaboratively with you to improve it.
- ▶ As a school we can request medical evidence of illnesses if attendance drops too low.
- ▶ Lateness also contributes to lost learning e.g. if your child is late 5 minutes each day they lose 3 days!



Attendance

Term time Holiday

- Any request for term time off must be made in writing to the Head of School
- Only exceptional circumstances are considered e.g Funerals, Weddings, where dates are out of the family's control
- We can ask for evidence of the exceptional circumstance
- The biggest question we ask is, "Could the time off be avoided?"
- Term time holiday will be marked as unauthorised
- If we suspect that a child has been on holiday and the school has not been notified, we will ask for medical evidence of illness as a child who is off for 4/5 days should be visiting a doctor

Penalty Notices

- There have been changes to the issuing of penalty notices which came in to effect on September 1st 2024. More information about this has been sent this week.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding Leads for the school are:



Mr Thomas and Mrs Gill

If you have any concerns, however small you may think they are, please make sure that you come and speak to us as soon as possible.

We are here to help!

School Lunches and Breaktime snacks

Children are encouraged to have a break time snack but this snack must be a healthy snack. Below are list of options for a healthy snack:

- A portion of fruit or vegetables
- Bread sticks/ pitta
- Portion of cheese
- Pretzels
- Malt bread

The following are not allowed in school as snacks:

- Crisps
- Chocolate
- Biscuits

These will be confiscated and returned to the children at the end of the day.

Lunches

Option 1 – Packed lunch: Should include a savoury item e.g sandwich, pitta, wrap. Piece of fruit, biscuit/ crisps and one 'desert'. This should not be a chocolate bar or sweets.




Option 2 – Order a lunch: This can be ordered online in the morning via Arbor. The menu is on the school website.

Choice of main, vegetarian and jacket poato

School Uniform-PLEASE LABEL

General School Uniform

Children are expected to wear the following items on a day to day basis:

Black school shoes	
Black trousers, black skirt with black tights or black pinafore dress with black tights	
A plain white shirt	
A school tie	
A school jumper or cardigan with the school logo	





Jewellery – On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are small plain gold or silver studs in pierced ears, small discreet watches and small objects of religious significance.

No Necklaces

No hooped earrings

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PE Kit

Sports trainers	
Black, unbranded shorts or black, unbranded jogging trousers	
An unbranded, Royal blue t-shirt	
School jumper	

Please make sure that the children do not wear Jewellery on PE days.

Children will be asked to remove all Jewellery before PE lessons to keep all children safe.

Special Events in Year 6

- Parental visits to local secondary schools
- Author or book workshops
- History trip to RAF Museum, Hendon – October 24
- SATs Information Evening for parents – January 25
- Christmas Carol Service
- RE Inspired Workshops
- Visits to local church
- SATs week 12/5 – 15/5/25
- Bikeability – June 25
- Residential trip to PGL Centre – June/July
- Pupil visits to new secondary schools
- Year 6 Production
- Leavers events and activities

School Day

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.35am – 9.00am Registration	Ind. Reading Handwriting	Ind. Reading Handwriting	Ind. Reading Handwriting	Ind. Reading Handwriting	Ind. Reading Handwriting
9.00am – 9.30am	Spelling Morphology Etymology	Spelling Investigate Pattern	Spelling Practice Spelling rule	Spelling Practice Spelling rule	Spelling Dictation
9.30am – 10.30am	Writing	Writing	Writing	Writing	Writing
10.30am – 10.45am	Break Time				
10.45am – 11.15am	Whole Class Reading Fluency	Whole Class Reading Language and Vocab	Whole Class Reading Reciprocal	Whole Class Reading Modelled Q and A	Whole Class Reading Independent Q
11.15am – 12.15am	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Science
12.15 – 1.10	Lunch Time				
1.15pm – 1.30pm	CW - Whole school	CW - Class	CW - Singing	CW - News	PE
	PSHCE	MFL - Spanish	History	RE	
2.20pm – 3.10pm	Art	PE	Maths	Music	Computing
					CW – Celebration (2.45pm – 3pm)
3.10pm – 3.15pm	Change and Ready for Home				

Autumn Curriculum

Maths – This term we will be learning about:

- Place value
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Fractions
- Converting Units



English – This term we will be learning about:

- Narrative - Varmints
- Diaries of Evacuees
- Traditional tales—Hansel and Gretel
- Balanced Arguments
- Class text - Letters from a Lighthouse



Science – This term we will be learning about:

- Scientific enquiry
- Living things and their habitats
- Classification



Art and DT – This term we will be learning about:

- Painting and Mixed Media - Artist Study
- Structures - Playgrounds
- Mechanical Toys



Computing – This term we will be learning about:

- E-safety
- Bletchley Park and code breaking
- Programming Python



Year 6 Autumn Term Curriculum



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PE – This term we will be learning about:

- Football
- Tag rugby
- Fitness
- Gymnastics



Music – This term we will be learning about:

- Music in the 1940s
- Singing for Collective Worship, Harvest and Christmas



PSHE – This term we will be learning about:

- Celebrating differences
- Being me in my world



RE – This term we will be learning about:

- Beliefs and practises of Islam
- Christianity and the Gospels



Geography – This term we will be learning about:

- Local Study of history and geography of the areal



History – This term we will be learning about:

- World War Two and The Battle of Britain



If you have any skills/ knowledge/ resources linked to these topics, please let us know.

We would welcome any support to enrich our curriculum.

Reading

- ▶ It is expected that children will read 3/4 times a week at home but it is suggested that this is done every day.
- ▶ When reading with your child, focus purely on fluency. A fluency checklist will be in your child's reading record
- ▶ When children have completed their book (Myon), they will complete a quiz on Accelerated Reader at school.
- ▶ <https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/2203736>
- ▶ Accelerated Reader quizzes will check comprehension/understanding.
- ▶ Children will need to write their score in their reading record.
- ▶ If a child achieves a low score on a quiz, we may ask them to re-read the book.
- ▶ Please do not use the reading record as a communication book.
- ▶ Research has shown that children who read every day make better progress academically.



Maths

- ▶ Children should continue to practise Times Tables and the related division facts
- ▶ Children will weekly have a test in school based on all the number facts.
- ▶ Children can practise Times Tables in any way that they would like including TTR
- ▶ Children should have their log in details stuck in the reading Record

Useful Websites:

- ▶ Top Marks
- ▶ Times Tables Rockstars

Home Learning

We would like children to read and practise times tables and spellings 3/4 times a week

After Christmas, Year 6 children will receive a written piece of homework once a week and some revision activities over the school holidays

If you would like further home learning then your teacher will be able to direct you to quality online resources.

Be ready to learn

Children benefit from:

- ▶ A good night's sleep (including an early enough bedtime)
- ▶ A healthy diet including a good breakfast
- ▶ Being clean and comfortable
- ▶ Being in school on time



Spelling

- ▶ Whilst there are 103 words for children to learn to spell on the Y5/6 spelling list, in school we will focus on the rules, not the individual words.
- ▶ This enables pupils to apply these rules when spelling a range of words, e.g. -able/-ible - If the root word can stand alone, it is probably -able: collectable. If it can't, it is probably -ible: edible
- ▶ The next slides are spelling words which children need to know by the end of year. These can be practiced at home but the idea is they apply these spellings to their writing.

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

door	gold	plant	clothes
floor	hold	path	busy
poor	told	bath	people
because	every	hour	water
find	great	move	again
kind	break	prove	half
mind	steak	improve	money
behind	pretty	sure	Mr
child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
children	after	eye	parents
wild	fast	could	Christmas
climb	last	should	everybody
most	past	would	even
only	father	who	
both	class	whole	
old	grass	any	
cold	pass	many	

Year 3 and 4 Common Exception Words

Aa	breath	consider	enough	group	island	natural	popular	Rr	surprise
accident	breathe	continue	exercise	guard	Kk	naughty	position	recent	Tt
accidentally	build	Dd	experience	guide	knowledge	notice	possess	regular	therefore
actual	busy	decide	extreme	Hh	Ll	Oo	possession	reign	though
actually	business	describe	Ff	heard	learn	occasion	possible	remember	thought
address	Cc	different	famous	heart	length	occasionally	potatoes	Ss	through
although	calendar	difficult	favourite	height	library	often	pressure	sentence	Vv
answer	caught	disappear	February	history	Mm	opposite	probably	separate	various
appear	centre	Ee	forward	Ii	material	ordinary	promise	special	Ww
arrive	century	early	forwards	imagine	medicine	Pp	purpose	straight	weight
Bb	certain	earth	fruit	increase	mention	particular	Qq	strange	woman
believe	circle	eight	Gg	important	minute	peculiar	quarter	strength	women
bicycle	complete	eighth	grammar	interest	Nn	perhaps	question	suppose	

Year 5 and 6 Statutory Spellings

accommodate	category	determined	forty	marvellous	programme	soldier
accompany	cemetery	develop	frequently	mischievous	pronunciation	stomach
according	committee	dictionary	government	muscle	queue	sufficient
achieve	communicate	disastrous	guarantee	necessary	recognise	suggest
aggressive	community	embarrass	harass	neighbour	recommend	symbol
amateur	competition	environment	hindrance	nuisance	relevant	system
ancient	conscience	equipment	identity	occupy	restaurant	temperature
apparent	conscious	equipped	immediate	occur	rhyme	thorough
appreciate	controversy	especially	immediately	opportunity	rhythm	twelfth
attached	convenience	exaggerate	individual	parliament	sacrifice	variety
available	correspond	excellent	interfere	persuade	secretary	vegetable
average	criticise	existence	interrupt	physical	shoulder	vehicle
awkward	curiosity	explanation	language	prejudice	signature	yacht
bargain	definite	familiar	leisure	privilege	sincere	
bruise	desperate	foreign	lightning	profession	sincerely	

General Information

Medical Lists

- ▶ If your child has any medical conditions or allergies, please make sure our records (and their medications) are up-to-date. Check this with the office.
- ▶ Children should not bring in any lip balms, hand gels or hand creams/sprays unless they have been approved by the office.

Other information

- ▶ Children should bring in their own healthy break time snack and water bottles. Please remember that we are a nut-free school.
- ▶ The children will be going on trips this year. We will give you details of these closer to the time
- ▶ Whilst we welcome parents to speak to class teachers at the end of the day, please wait until all the children have been released to their parents so you can receive the full attention of the teacher.

General Information

Year 6 - Walking to and from school alone

- ▶ If you would like your child to walk to school or home at the end of day independently, please ask for a letter to complete and return to school.

Mobile Phones

- ▶ If your child is coming to school on their own or by taxi, they may bring a mobile phone to school. This will be collected and stored safely throughout the day and returned at home time.
- ▶ Please ask for a permission letter and return to school.

Smartwatches

- ▶ Watches should not be able to connect to internet or photos



Musical Opportunities



St Cecilia's School Choir - Starting 23rd September

Monday - after school until 4.30pm(Pick up from school hall) Please complete and return the letter already circulated.

Everybody welcome to join - Events already booked - WASMA at The Hexagon Theatre, Wokingham Mayor's Carol Concert, School Christmas Service

Learning a Musical Instrument

Lessons on piano, singing and violin can be arranged with Mrs Clarke on a Friday. Woodwind, brass, guitar and percussion instruments may be able to be provided in school or at the music centres by Berkshire Music Trust. Please talk to Mrs Clarke if you would like more information.

PTA

- We are looking to start up our PTA (Parent Teacher Association)
- PTA members are motivated parent volunteers
- Purpose is to make the school a better place
- Organising and being involved in fundraising events
- Overseeing social events
- Money raised is spent on things that the school budget does not cover
- Strengthen the school community
- <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2021/06/24/what-do-ptas-do-and-why-should-you-join-one-pta-members-answer-your-questions/>

Wrap around care

We are lucky to have Funtastic Kids running our morning and after school provision. Please visit the Funtastic Website for more detail.



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Wrap Around Care at St Cecilia's CofE!

Funtastic Kids is excited to be providing nurturing and dependable childcare at St Cecilia's CofE Primary School.
Opening from September 2023!

Breakfast Club Monday - Friday, 7:45 - 8:45am: £5.40, includes a nutritional breakfast.	After School Club Monday - Friday, 3.15 - 6pm: £12.50, includes a healthy snack and light afternoon tea.
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Open to all children who attend St Cecilia's. We are an Ofsted Early Years Childcare Provider and accept Childcare Vouchers. Activities provided include arts and crafts, games, construction and outdoor play! 10% sibling discount.

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for updates of what we get up to at our clubs!

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Any Questions

