



St Cecilia's
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Welcome to St Cecilia's C of E Primary School

Year 1 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



**We work hard and try
our best**



We always tell the truth



**We are ready to
forgive**



**We are polite, kind
and respectful to all**



**We look after our school
environment**



**We encourage and
celebrate one another**

These are our school rules

They are linked to our school values

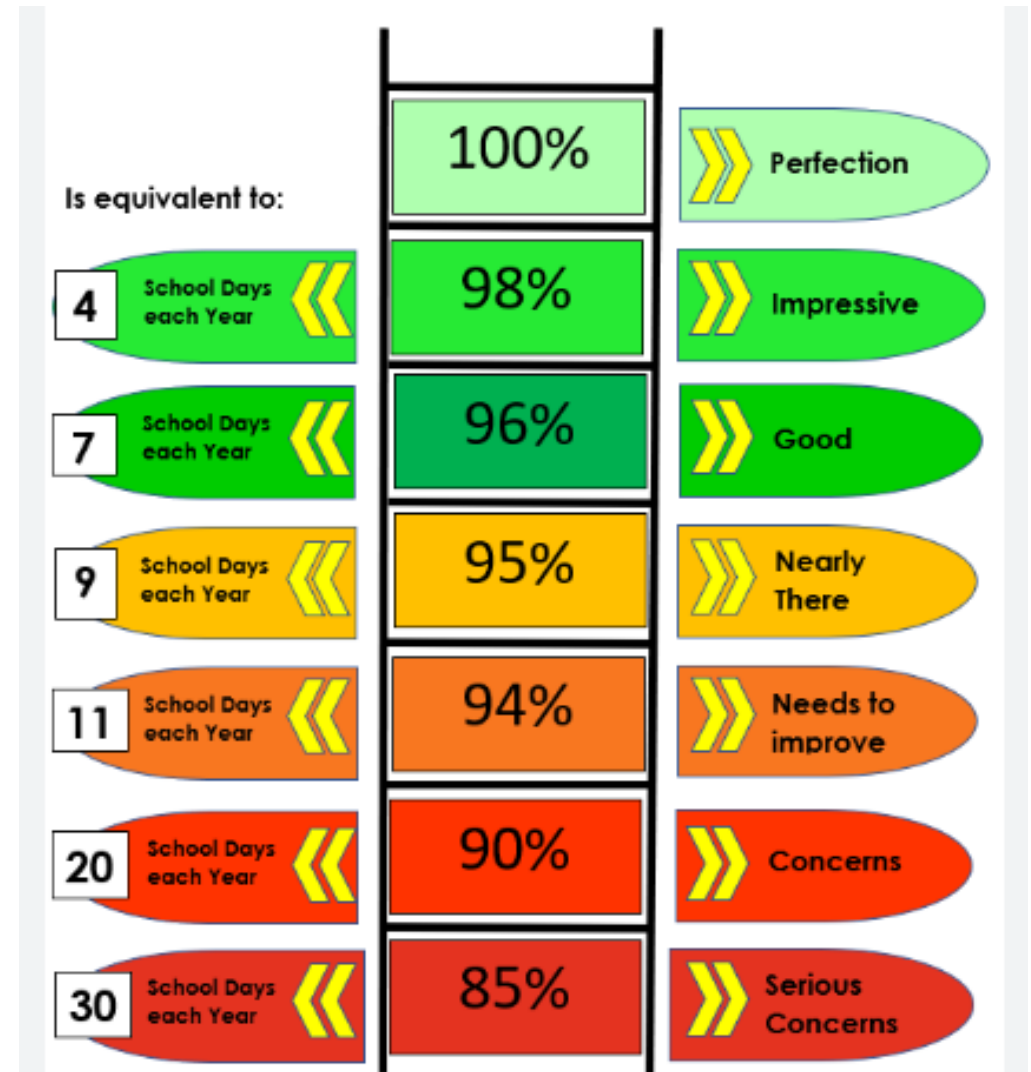
We focus on positive behaviour and promote kindness at all times

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

Regular term time absence can lead to fixed penalty notices and in extreme cases criminal proceedings. Please see out attendance information on our website.



Attendance Matters

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. There is plenty of information regarding safeguarding on our website.

We are here to help!

WHAT IS ABUSE? >

WHAT ARE THE SCHOOL'S SAFEGUARDING PROCEDURES? >

WHO CAN WE CONTACT OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS? >

IS SMACKING AN ACCEPTABLE FORM OF PUNISHMENT? >

WHAT ARE GOOD STRATEGIES FOR MANAGING MY CHILD'S BEHAVIOUR? >

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.

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

School Uniform-PLEASE LABEL

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.

Changes for PE this year

This year we are changing our policy.

On their PE days, children should come to school wearing their PE Kits.

Your child's PE days are:

- Monday
- Wednesday

The aim of this change is to provide more time for the children to take part in physical activity.


School Day

	8.35-9.00	9.00-9.40	9.40-10.15	10.15 - 10.30	10.30- 11.00	11.00-12.00	12.05 -1.05	1.05- 1.20	1.20- 1.55	1.55-2.30	2.30-3.15	
Monday	Registration and Morning Task	Phonics	Maths	Break	Library	Spelling and English	Lunch	Talk Through Stories	Collective Worship	Geography	PE	
Tuesday	Registration and Morning Task	Phonics	Maths		Handwriting Spelling and English			Talk Through Stories	Collective Worship	Science		
Wednesday	Registration and Morning Task	Phonics	PE		Maths	Spelling and English		Talk Through Stories	Collective Worship	Music	PSHE	
Thursday	Registration and Morning Task	Phonics	Maths		Handwriting Spelling and English			Talk Through Stories	Collective Worship	PPA RE and Computing		
Friday	Registration and Morning Task	Phonics	Maths		Handwriting Spelling and English			Talk Through Stories	Art			Collective Worship

Autumn Curriculum


Maths – This term we will be learning about:

- Place value within 10
- Addition and subtraction within 10
- 2D and 3D shapes




English – This term we will be learning about:

- Sentence composition
- Using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops
- Spelling words using our phonics and some common exception words




Science – This term we will be learning about:

- Seasonal changes in Autumn and Winter
- Working scientifically




Art – This term we will be learning about:

- Drawing
- Self-portraits




PE – This term we will be learning about:

- Fundamentals
- Ball Skills
- Team Building
- Gymnastics




Music – This term we will be learning about:

- Keeping the Pulse: My Favourite Things




DT – This term we will be learning about:

- Making a moving Christmas card




Computing – This term we will be learning about:

- What is a computer?
- Logging on
- Online safety




PSHE – This term we will be learning about:

- My world
- Being me
- Celebrating differences




RE – This term we will be learning about:

- Christianity
- The creation story
- Christmas




Geography – This term we will be learning about:

- Where we go to school
- Our local area
- Continents and oceans



Year 1
Autumn Term Curriculum

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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.
- Please do not use the reading record as a communication book as I won't always see them, the books are changed by the children's phonics teachers.
- Research has shown that children who read every day make better progress academically.
- We will also be sending home phonics videos again in the near future.



Suggested Home Learning

Writing

- **Write for a purpose.** Help them write a short shopping list, a thank-you note, or a postcard to a family member.
- **Practice their name.** Encourage them to write their name and other simple words. You can use chalk on the pavement or a stick in the mud for a fun alternative to pen and paper.
- **Create a story together.** You can draw pictures and then write a simple sentence or two about each one.

- 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

Maths +

- **Count and sort household items.** Use toys, socks, or pieces of fruit to practice counting and sorting by colour, size, or type.
- **Involve them in cooking.** Let them count out ingredients, measure things, and talk about numbers and amounts.
- **Play counting games.** Board games like Snakes and Ladders are great for number recognition and counting forward.

Reading

- **Read together every day.**
- **Discuss the story.** Ask them questions like, "What do you think will happen next?" or "Why did the character do that?"
- **Look for words everywhere.** Point out words on street signs, food packaging, and television.
- **Read the library book.** Library days will be MONDAY.

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.
- ▶ Any medications need to be taken to the office and a form filled out in order for us to administer it.
- ▶ Children should not bring in any lip balms, hand gels or hand creams/sprays unless they have been approved by the office.



General Information

Other information

- ▶ Children are provided with fruit as a break time snack. Please ensure children have water bottles.
- ▶ 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. If you need to send an email please send it to admin@st-cecilias.wokingham.sch.uk and the class teacher will aim to respond within 3 working days.
- ▶ Please communicate with all school staff respectfully.
- ▶ We are no longer able to hand out sweets for birthdays due to allergies and dietary needs.
- ▶ We are unable to hand out pupil lists due to safeguarding.

PTA- Friends and Family of STC

- All parents are automatically part of the PTA
- 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/>

First Meeting
23rd September 2025
7pm



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.



Prices		
Breakfast Club 7:45am – 8:45am	After School Club: Full Session 3:15pm – 6pm	After School Club: Short Session 3:15pm – 4:30pm
£6.00 First child	£14.00 First child	£7.80 First child
£5.40 Extra siblings	£12.60 Extra siblings	£7.02 Extra siblings
Book	Book	Book

Keeping Informed



Contact us via email

admissions@st-cecillas.wokingham.sch.uk

admin@st-cecillas.wokingham.sch.uk



Our School Website

www.st-cecillas.wokingham.sch.uk



Twitter

[@StCecillasCoE](https://twitter.com/StCecillasCoE)



Facebook

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PROFILE.PHP?ID=100088066351146](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100088066351146)

Please read the newsletters each week as they provide you with all the important information.

Also please feel free to come and speak to your class teacher at the end of the day to discuss any concerns!

SENDCO

- Mrs Taylor is our SENDCO.
- She will be in school on Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Please feel free to contact her if you have any SEND concerns or questions.
- sendco@st-cecilias.wokingham.sch.uk



Any Questions

