

Dear Parents

The end of another busy year at Cedars Primary is now here - and what a fabulous year it's been.

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I would like to thank you for your input and support during the inspection which took place as you know on the 28th June 2016. We were hoping the final report would be ready to be published before the end of the academic year so that we could share it with you all. However, the report is still going through the normal Ofsted quality assurance process which can take up to a month from the date of the inspection. Ofsted do not publish reports during school holidays so the final report will not be received by the school until September. As soon as we receive a copy of the final report, we will send a copy home to you all.

We are so incredibly proud of all of the children who were so keen to share their learning and work with the inspector. It was an absolute joy to see the children so enthusiastic when talking to the inspector about their learning and achievements at Cedars Primary. Well done children - you are real superstars and a credit to your parents and the school.

Successes

We have seen so many positive developments over the year.

This has included:

- Rising attainment and progress across the school
 - Children enjoying sharing their learning with you at the end of every term
 - Gaining the MK Music Quality Mark
 - Last week Miss Pollendine received the MK Award for PE Subject Leader of the Year and Cedars Primary received the MK Award for an excellent Key Stage 2 PE Curriculum
 - Pupils successfully raising money for lots of charities
 - Excellent Concerts and Productions
 - Numerous sporting achievements
 - Raising a total amount of £3,500 towards the development of the playground
 - Successful Residential Trips and visits
- and many more ...

The success of the school is very much a team effort - the children, the support and involvement of parents and the amazing hard work and dedication of the staff team. We are also very appreciative of our governing body that provide great support and challenge and in particular the strong guidance and leadership of our chair of governors, Sue Laird.

I would like to express my very sincere thanks to everyone at the school for such a successful year. We look forward to building on this success next year.

Attainment and Standards Across the School

We are pleased with the end of Key Stage Standards in all Key Stages. The children across the school have achieved well and this is down to their hard work, your support and the good teaching, guidance and support they have received.

- **Early Years Foundation Stage**

The number of children achieving a Good Level of Development at the end of Foundation has continued to improve. Increasing from 48% in 2013 to 78% this year. This is above national and local figures for 2015.

- **Phonics, Year 1**

This test is taken in June in Year 1 and this year an impressive 89% of our children met the required standard compared to 60% in 2013. This is above local and national figures for 2015.

- **End of Key Stage 1 (Year 2)**

	Working at or above age related expectation
Reading	76%
Writing	72%
Maths	74%

**Awaiting National Data*

- **End of Key Stage 2 (Year 6 SATS)**

	Working at or above age related expectation	Provisional National Data 2016
Reading	73%	66%
Writing	74%	74%
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	75%	72%
Maths	66%	70%
Reading, Writing and Maths	55%	53%

Overall our year 6 results are above the new national figures. Considering the children have only had two years to learn a new four year key stage 2 National Curriculum, we are very proud of their achievements. The children have made impressive progress in years 5 and 6. Well done Year 6!

Results for 2016 will be posted on the school website at the beginning of September along with all of the 2016 National comparisons as we are notified of them.

Year 6 Leavers

This week has been an emotional one for all of us at Cedars Primary as we say a fond farewell to our Year 6 children. They are a talented group of young people and it has been a privilege to have shared their learning journey at Cedars Primary. Best wishes to: Wouter, Kyla, Tillie, Imogen, Jude, Jake, Maddison, Tyler, Evan, Ruby, Jacob, Harriet, Mabel, Georgia, Isabelle, Abigail, Finlay, Annika, Biriyan, Jasmin, Eva, Grace, Tilly, Alfie, Anna, Ben, Nico, Dylan, Jay, Keeli, Isla, Dylan, Cadee, Samuel, Sonny, Ethan, Ellie, Leah, Olivia, Charlie, Molly, Archie, Fran and Freya.

Good luck Year 6 and all the very best to you all from everyone at Cedars Primary!

100% Attendance

Many congratulations to all of the children who had 100% attendance this term. Each child will receive a new Attendance Badge to wear with pride in September.



Achievers of the Week

Many congratulations to the following children for their special award of 'Achiever of the Week' :

Anna - working hard to improve her reading.

Year 6 - working hard to do a wonderful production.

Class 6MCH - for being such a lovely class and making us incredibly proud this year.

Class 6JK - for being a wonderful class, I'll miss you all!

Charlotte - for receiving the School Games Value Self Belief Award.

Vinnie - creating a fantastic camouflage picture with lots of detail and care.

Alena - a great improvement in her confidence and ability in Maths.

Leo - fantastic spellings of new words and using them in his writing.

Leah - for spelling and writing new words with great confidence.



Premises Work

Over the holiday there will be some refurbishment and improvements to the building. This includes new tables

for years 5/6 and painting to the corridors of Foundation and Years 5/6. Also our new Cycle Shelter and Scooter Racks will be installed alongside new line markings on the playground.

The Cleaning Team will also be getting everything shined up ready for September and undertaking a deep clean. I'm sure the school will look sparkling when the children return in September.

Korfball

Team Cedars Korfball were the Reserve Finals Winners at the Summer Cup competition. Well done!

Sainsbury's 'Active Kids' vouchers

Thank you very much for your kind donations of Sainsbury's vouchers. We collected 2763 in total, and we have been able to buy 16 folding hurdles, foam tennis balls and fliers, role play tabards and beanbags. Well done!

Cool Milk

Foundation 1 and 2 children are provided with milk during their morning break. Pupils in other year groups can opt to have milk at a cost of 22p per day (free if parents are entitled to certain benefits). Please ask at the school office or see our website for further details (under Information/Key Dates and Times/Food and Drink at School).

School Uniform

A reminder that school uniform bearing the Cedars logo is available online from both John Lewis www.johnlewis.com and Tesco www.tesco.com/ues. Please see the School's website for full details of the required uniform.

And finally ...

It's been a great year at Cedars Primary. Thank you, as always, for your amazing support and commitment to the school. Have a wonderful holiday and rest and we look forward to welcoming you all back to Cedars Primary on **Monday 5th September 2016**.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Munday

2016-2017 Term Dates

	Open on the morning of:	Close at the end of the afternoon session on:
Autumn Term 2016	Monday 5 th September	Friday 21 st October
	Tuesday 1 st November	Friday 16 th December
Spring Term 2017	Wednesday 4 th January	Friday 10 th February
	Monday 20 th February	Friday 31 st March
Summer Term 2017	Tuesday 18 th April	Friday 26 th May
	Monday 5 th June	Friday 21 st July