



# Cuffley School

# NEWSLETTER

*Learning to Learn*

21<sup>st</sup> July 2025

## Things to Celebrate

It has been another very action-packed year at Cuffley. Our children continue to achieve highly across the school – achieving outstanding results at the ends of the key stages. Well done to them all! They have also achieved so much beyond the curriculum in sport, music, drama and so on. We are incredibly proud of them!

### ***Just some of our highlights for 2024-25:***

Harvest boxes to Greenfields  
Book Fair  
SEND Coffee mornings  
Re-Thinking Assessment Project  
Behaviour Hub Project  
Parent Gym  
Cross Country Competition  
Basketball Tournament  
Anti-Bullying Week  
Black History Month  
SOCS Pumpkin Competition  
SOCS Wreath-Making Workshop  
Nativities  
SOCS Christmas Shop  
Christmas Singing at Greenfields  
Y5 Singing at the Cuffley Christmas Lights  
Key Stage 2 Carol Service  
Christmas Dinner Day!  
School Pantomime in Hertford  
Guitar Performances  
Appointed as Lead Music School in Hertfordshire  
Year group day trips  
Many visitors from RE to bee-keeping!  
World Book Day  
Oracy Days  
Internet Safety Day  
Choral Singing in St. Albans Cathedral  
Football Leagues and Tournaments  
Netball Leagues and Tournaments  
Table Tennis  
Cricket  
Badminton  
Year 4 Sleepover  
Years 5 and 6 Residential Visits  
K'Nex Challenge  
Maths Challenges  
RE Days and Visitors

Red Nose Day  
SOCS Sponsored Bounce  
TCS London Marathon  
Cuffley Marathon  
Oakmere Marathon  
Phonics Workshops  
Wimbledon  
SATs!  
Class Assemblies  
VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Leavers' Productions  
Sports Days  
District Sports  
SOCS Summer Fete  
Drama Workshops  
Sports Assembly  
Clubs, clubs and more clubs!

## External Reviews

Every year we have at least three external reviews from the Local Authority. This year we have had visits relating to the writing (autumn term), music and computing (spring term), and personal development (summer term).

We were very pleased with the outcomes. Key messages shared include the following:

*“Evidence from this visit suggests that there is a well-structured, engaging, and inclusive writing curriculum at Cuffley that is effectively supporting pupils' progress. High-quality teaching, consistent use of modelling, scaffolding, and a focus on grammar and transcription skills, was enabling pupils to develop strong writing skills. The school's focus on reflection, adaptation, and engagement was equipping pupils with the tools they need to succeed and foster a genuine love for writing.”*

*“At Cuffley, there is a strong, shared commitment among all staff to the belief that every child can succeed. This collective ethos drives staff to go above and beyond to ensure that every pupil reaches their full potential.”*

*“Clear alignment with the subject development plan and the DfE’s requirements, with a strong emphasis on connecting with local music initiatives.”*

*“Achievement of the Music Mark award, demonstrating a commitment to high-quality music education.”*

*“Strong teaching strategies observed, including well-structured lessons, high-quality questioning, and targeted support to challenge and scaffold learning.”*

*“Personal Development is clearly embedded within the life and culture of the school. It is not treated as a standalone initiative but is woven seamlessly into the curriculum, relationships, environment, and ethos.”*

*“The school’s core values of Caring, Curious, and Courageous—though not yet officially launched—are already deeply felt and consistently reflected in the behaviour, attitudes, and learning experiences of pupils. Staff and pupils alike demonstrate a shared commitment to these values, and they are clearly influencing the way children learn, interact, and grow.”*

*“The school’s approach to PD is inclusive, intentional, and impactful. It supports all pupils, including those who are disadvantaged, to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. The strength of relationships, the calm and purposeful atmosphere, and the wide range of enrichment and leadership opportunities all contribute to a school environment where pupils are nurtured, challenged, and celebrated.”*

## **Some final goodbyes**

### **Staff**

A final goodbye and thank you to Tara Cavlan, who has decided to pursue a new challenge. She has given our children so much over the years and we are incredibly grateful to her.

### **Children**

To our Year 6 leavers, we wish you all the luck in the world as you move on to your new secondary schools – they are lucky to have you! Enjoy your new adventure. Also goodbye to those children who are moving house or abroad. We wish you every success as you move on.

### **Families**

For some of our families this will be your final newsletter. We would like to thank you for your care and support over the years. Please do keep in touch and let us know how you get on. We always like to hear how our Cuffley children and families are doing.

## **Magic Moments**

### **‘What a Knight!’**



Another fantastic and uplifting performance from Years 5 and 6 last week. A production to rival West End productions. Well done to the children who were absolutely wonderful and huge thanks to the staff who worked their socks off to make it special.

## **Supporters of Cuffley School (SOCS)**

A huge thank you to our SOCS team who have shown real commitment and dedication to putting on fun, inclusive and rewarding events for our children and families. You are a special team who have enriched school life this year.

## **100% Attenders**



A huge well done to our 100% attenders. It is incredibly hard to attend school every single day throughout an academic year, but these children managed it! They were rewarded with home-made cakes and toppings with Mrs Wing!

## **Happy Holidays!**

Wishing you all a special break with your family and friends. We look forward to seeing you recharged and ready to go in September.

## What's On

22.07.25 Year 6 Leavers Assembly –  
9:00am  
**END OF TERM**  
**1:30pm Finish**

23.07.25 OCCASIONAL DAY

**03.09.25 INSET DAY**

**04.09.25 Children return to school at  
normal times**

## In Today's Post

SOCS Newsletter  
Beezee Bodies Flyer  
Maynard Car Park Communication  
HCC Letter re Local Road Closures  
HCC Letter re Immunisations  
Northaw Parish Council Letter  
Northaw & Cuffley Tennis Club Flyer

## Payment deadline dates

Dinner Money Ongoing  
Milk Money Ongoing  
Nursery Fees