



# The Herald

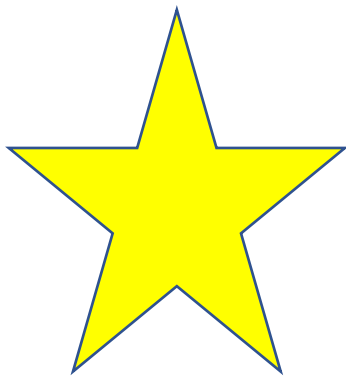
12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

It has been a lovely week in school with Year 2 rehearsing for their end of year play, visitors to Early Years talking about their jobs and Year 1 carrying out a tree hunt. We have also welcomed our new parents to the school.

We are very much looking forward to the Summer Fair this afternoon. We will have food trucks and activities on the bottom playground and the staff carpark. In addition to the no mow area and the hall, the PTA will also be using Ash class and the Early Years playground so there will be plenty to do. The PTA are really keen to help us transform the end of the no mow, through the arch. Mr Whistler will be clearing the paving slabs and we would like to turn this into a quiet area. It will be lovely to use it when it gets hot as it is very shady.

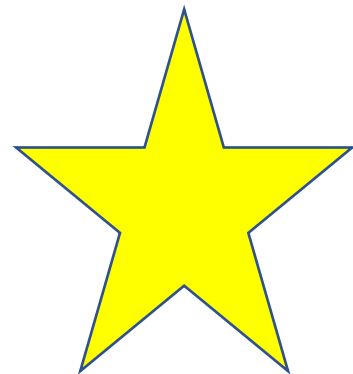
Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Fitz



## Stars of the week

Felicity  
Malaki  
Sailor  
Basma  
Harvey  
Griffin



## Mrs Fitz star of the week

Miss Tripp

## National Year of Reading



Part of the  
National Year of Reading 2026

**GO  
ALL  
IN.**

## Class Book Worms of the week Challenge

Well done to everyone who has read at home at least 3 times. Please help your child by reading at least 3 times at home with them and recording this in their home reading diaries.

**This week's Book Worms of the Week are:**

**Fir Class**

Class percentages for the week:

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Fir Class      | 32%   |
| Ash Class      | 18%   |
| Rowan Class    | 17%   |
| Birch Class    | 20%   |
| Sycamore Class | 29.6% |
| Maple Class    | 6.6%  |



### Library

Remember, library sessions are every Friday from 3.15pm to 4pm. Entry to the library can be made through the school office once you have picked up your child. I look forward to seeing you there!

**Please note the library will be closed today and on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.**

Mrs Cameron

### **Up-coming events:**

Friday Library Opening– 3.15pm – 4pm every Friday (visit with your child)  
Class Book Worms of the week Challenge



### Early Years

This week, Early Years have had a very exciting visits from a train signaller, a doctor, a hairdresser and an author. They really enjoyed listening to all the information shared with them and asking questions to find out more about their roles! The children were all lucky enough to receive a Thomas book from the train signaller and these are for your child to keep.

Thank you to everyone who has come in to talk to the children and supported us in this project. The children have enjoyed writing about jobs this week and been busy exploring our Sparkle Writing activities, pretending to be doctors and builders.

The children have all been keen to learn about different jobs as part of their home learning. Slips have now gone out telling you which job your child will be looking at for their home learning. Any questions please do ask!

In maths this week we have been learning about first, then and now by subtracting objects. Next week is Sports Day, your child's PE kits will be coming home today ready for Sport's Day. We will be sending out slips in book bags for your child's group. Knights (Fir Class and Willow), starting at Hockey Dribble and Moats (Ash Class), starting at Hula Hoop Run. Please can we ask that your child does not bring any toys to school, we would hate to see any loved toys get lost or broken during the school day.

We hope to see you at our Summer Fair on Friday! The children have been busy making crafts for you to buy.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend!

The Early Years Team

### Year 1

This week in our 'Professor Poppy's Plant Problem' project we have been looking into different types of trees. The children were taken on a tree hunt around the school grounds where we found Birch, Rowan, Sycamore, Maple, Ash and Fir trees. We discussed the differences of each tree, we then focused on what makes a tree deciduous or evergreen and finally labelled the different parts of a tree.

In our project writing sessions, we have begun to explore using adjectives in our writing. The children used their knowledge of adjectives to write a sentence describing trees around our school. For example, 'The Birch tree has a white trunk'.

Next week in our project sessions we will be discussing fruits and vegetables. As part of our learning the children will be **tasting** different fruits and vegetables. Below is a list of what they will be **offered** to try, please let us know if there are any issues or if you have any questions.:

- Lemon
- Carrot
- Radish
- Watermelon
- Tomato
- Pineapple
- Pepper
- Red onion

In maths this week we have been focusing on the place value of numbers. We revisited multiples of 10 and partitioning numbers into their tens and ones but this time looking at numbers up to 100! The children have used dienes and number lines to support them with these concepts. This is the style of question that they were asked:

How many tens and ones?

What number is shown?

7 tens and 4 ones = 74

We are really looking forward to seeing lots of you at sports day next week! The children have been practising the activities and have done a great job at them so far. Please make sure your child has a bottle for this as cups of water won't be available during the events. We will be sending out slips in book bags telling you if your child is in Bows (Rowan Class), starting at the Egg and Spoon race or Arrows (Birch Class), starting at the Javelin.

Have a fantastic weekend,

The Year 1 Team

## Year 2

We have had great start to our play rehearsals! Thank you for supporting your child in learning lines. We hope to have details of any costumes sent out next week.

Next week in maths, we will continue our work on statistics, focusing on tally charts and pictograms. In Science, the children will become real scientists by planning and carrying out investigations, including our exciting germ experiment. They will explore why it is important to wash our hands through a bread experiment, making predictions and carefully recording their observations.

In English, the children will continue their scientific learning by thinking of questions they would like to investigate and practising writing these correctly using question marks.

The children have also been enjoying their ukulele lessons with Mrs Taylor and have shown great enthusiasm as they develop their musical skills.

Next week is Sports Day, we will be sending out slips in book bags telling you if your child is in Flags, starting at the Beanbag Throw or Towers, starting at the Sprint.

We look forward to seeing you at our Summer Fayre, tonight from 4-6.30.

Have a fantastic weekend!

The Year 2 Team

### **Forest School**

Please find below the Forest school session

Tuesday – Birch

Thank you,  
Mrs Fulbrook



### **Castle Hill Friends**

Today is the day 😊

We will be holding our summer fair this afternoon between 4:00pm-6:30pm, we hope to see you there!

Entry:

Adult - 50p

Children under the age of 16 - FREE

Through the front side of the school only!

We have been planning for this to be a great afternoon for the whole family; there is so much for you all to enjoy 😊 Please come and support us by coming down and joining in 🤝

### **INSET Days**

#### **2025/2026**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026

#### **2026/2027**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2027

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2027

### **Thought of the Week**

Next week in school we will focus on our school value of Appreciation. With this value we are looking to develop the skill of being grateful. We are particularly thinking about:

I appreciate others



### **Diary Dates**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Year 2 – P.E session at CHPS during school time

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Sports day 9:15am – weather permitting