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CHPS Rooksdown Campus NEWSLETTER

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Website: <https://www.castlehillprimary.net/>

UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

[CHPS WEBSITE CALENDAR](#)

22 October - Last day of Autumn 1

22 October - Mufti Day

25-29 October - Half Term

31 October - Yr7 Application Deadline

1 November - YrR (RD) & Yr3 (GB)

Applications Open (closes 15 Jan 2022)

1 November - First day of Autumn 2

1 Nov/16 Nov/8 Dec - Virtual Open

Evening with live Q&A (prospective YrR & Yr3 parents)

1 November - Bulb Planting Yr R/1/2

2 November - Bulb Planting Yr 3/4/5

3 November - Bulb Planting Yr 6

5 November - Bag2School - drop bags off by 9am

26 November - Flu Vaccines (forms to follow)

30 November - Virtual Parents Evening 3:15pm-6:15pm

1 December - Virtual Parents Evening 4:00pm-7:00pm

2 December - Virtual Parents Evening 3:30pm-5:30pm

15 December - Christmas Lunch

17 December - Mufti-Day

17 December - Last day of Autumn 2

4 January - Inset Day

5 January - Spring 1 begins

REMINDERS:

Data Collection: It is vital that our records are accurate. Please send any updates to your child's information to us by **TOMORROW**. If anything changes throughout the year to phone numbers, email, home address, etc please use [Contact Us](#) on the school website to notify us.

Covid Update: If your child is showing any Covid symptoms, please keep them at home and get a PCR test. With cases on the increase, Hampshire has contacted its schools about the measures they have in place and we remain vigilant with our protocols. Thank you for your support and patience.

Earrings: We have a no jewellery school policy. Any child wearing earrings will be asked to remove them.

Nuts: It is imperative that no food brought into school contains nuts, we have children with severe nut allergies.

Lockers: For fire safety reasons we must be able to close lockers. Please could we ask that only 'small' school bags are brought into school. Thank you.

HEAD BOY & GIRL ANNOUNCED:

Congratulations to everyone who put themselves forward, there were some amazing presentations. Lovely to hear so many cheers when the names were announced, it was great to see all of Year 6 supporting each other. Click here to view all the positions and names [Pupil Positions 2021](#)

HEAD BOY - Jayden M

HEAD GIRL - Grace E

DEPUTY HEAD BOYS - Ollie M & Liam E

DEPUTY HEAD GIRLS - Lily B, Esmee L-W, Tiara-Maria R & Cayla O



THANK YOU:

The Worting Community Trust is a local Basingstoke charity supporting a range of small community projects and initiatives. Mrs Jean Day visited our school to deliver a cheque for £4,000! This has been ringfenced to buy sporting equipment for all our CHPS pupils. We gave her a warm town crier welcome! We'd like to thank The Worting Community Trust for their generous donation.



NEW SCHOOL MENUS ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE:

[School Menus](#)

EASYFUNDRAISING:

With Christmas around the corner, can you help us raise money while you do your online shopping? It is so easy and costs you nothing. There are over 4100 retailers to choose from. Join us now by clicking on the link below and selecting 'Support this cause': [EASYFUNDRAISING FOR CHPS](#). We have raised £1,774 to date with 165 supporters! With nearly 630 pupils we would like to double the number of supporters and get to £3,774 by the end of the school year.

BAG 2 SCHOOL:

Please have a good sort out over half term, as our next collection is **Friday 5th November**. Please ensure your bags are dropped into school on the day by 9 a.m (no bags before this date please) Thank you!



SCHOOL SENATE:

Congratulations to all our newly voted School Senate members - [Student Senate Web Page](#). Each class voted for who they wanted to represent them. This is a key role within the school and we look forward to hearing what topics/plans our new school senate implement. Here are Freddie, Lexi, Liliana and Ella wearing their badges with pride.



DOUBLE, DOUBLE TOIL & TROUBLE, FIRE BURN & CAULDRON BUBBLE....

On Wednesday 29th September, Year 5 and 6 were lucky enough to have a performance of Macbeth by the Young Shakespeare Company. We've definitely missed having them come and perform over the last two years!

We were all given roles to play and sounds to make to really create the atmosphere of the heath. We had howling wolves, bears and eagles making plenty of noise alongside the whistling and wailing of the wind. Some lucky children were chosen to play the roles of King Duncan's sons while others were chosen to be royal heralds.

As always, it was a truly fantastic performance which we absolutely loved. It's really incited our excitement to start our Macbeth topic.



OUTDOOR AREA DONATIONS:

Thank you so much for the donations we have received for the outdoor area. We have plenty of resources ready to be used for our 'loose playground' as well as items for a bug hotel, outdoor musical area and tree stumps for a place for the children to sit.

We are in the process of getting this all ready and set up for the children to use safely. If you have any last minute donations you would like to add (such as plastic crates or a shed) please get in touch: admin@castlehillprimary.net.

PLANTING SUCCESS:

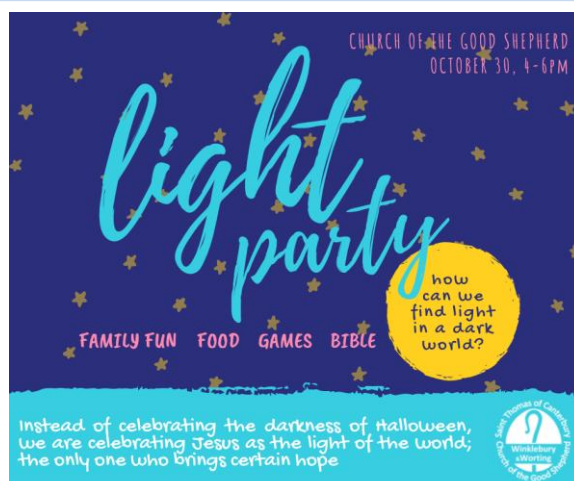
During the Summer term, the year 3 pupils took over looking after the vegetable patch area. They came up with a design and spent some time weeding and sorting the beds, before planting their own fruit and vegetables and then looking after them.

The Year 3 children this academic year have continued to look after the areas and they were very excited to find their first tomato ready to pick! They are looking forward to picking more of the fruit and vegetables soon.



YEAR 6 STUBBINGTON RESIDENTIAL:

What a fantastic week at Stubbington for the Year 6s. Please view the Stubbington Photo Gallery: [Stubbington Photo Gallery](#)



NEWS & EVENTS (click links for more info):



Energy Kidz:

To find out more about Energy Kidz out of school care and their latest newsletter please visit: [Energy Kidz Out Of School Club](#)

October Half Term Holiday Clubs:



For more information about October holiday clubs from ISIS Out of School Club please visit [ISIS October Half Term Club](#)

Road Safety Newsletter:



To read the Autumn Road Safety Newsletter for parents visit: [Autumn Road Safety Newsletter](#)

LANGUAGES DAY:



Review of Languages Day on 1st October By Freya K and Georgie B

On Languages Day, which was extremely fun, we learnt different languages across both campuses. Years 1 and 2 did French, Year 3 looked at Italian, Year 4 had fun with German and Years 5 and 6 learnt some Hungarian. We also played charades and an enjoyable matching game, along with lots more. In our opinion, it was a five-star rating.

We all had guaranteed fun because we learnt phrases and, in the end, we could have a full conversation in our chosen language. We would love to have it again!

Click the link to watch our Languages Day video -[Video](#)

FUNDRAISING FRIENDS:

The Rooksdown Fundraising Friends are working hard with organising events, including the Pumpkin Trail, Christmas cards and The BIG Christmas Raffle!

Don't forget Rooksdown Fundraising Friends will be selling Pumpkin Trail maps for £2 and cakes after school on Thursday 21st October and Friday 22nd October.

The Pumpkin Trail will be around Rooksdown from **24th - 31st October**.



HARVEST FESTIVAL:

Thank you so much for your kind donations to celebrate our Harvest Festival this year. The items have been split between the Spotlight UK and the CHPS and Basingstoke Foodbanks, all are very grateful for your generosity.



CASTLE HILL'S EX PUPIL HITS THE SPOTLIGHT:

Did you know that the star of Everyone's Talking about Jamie Amazon film, Max Harwood came to Castle Hill?



GREAT TEAM WORK MAISIE:

Congratulations to Maisie (Year 3) and her team from Basingstoke Gymnastics Club who won 1st place in her first gymnastics competition last month!



ELIE & KATIE'S HOOPING SHOW:

Ellie M (Year 5) and her little sister Katie (Year 3) both took part in a show at the weekend. They each decided on their own music, choreographed routines and designed outfits all by themselves. Ellie has been going for just under a year and Katie just 6 months. They performed in front of about 60 people, confidently and enthusiastically. Well done girls, what strength and agility!

To watch Ellie's amazing routine, click here: [Hooping Show](#)



SCARLETT SHOOT TO SUCCESS:

Scarlett H (Year 6) and her team, Hatch Warren Tigers (Cubs) played in their first ever netball match and tournament and finished as runners up! This is a new youth netball club, only forming in the summer with training at Brighton Hill School.



MASON TAKES HOME THE CUP:

Mason C (Year 3) has won an Ice Hockey tournament with his team Basingstoke Bisons. They won 7 games on the same day! This week it was his turn to have the cup. Great team work Mason!



JAMES VOICES BOBBY MINI VAN:

We are very excited to share with you that James T (Year 3) is the (British English) voice of Bobby Mini Van in the Netflix series of Cory Carson: Chrissy Takes the Wheel.

Well done James, an amazing achievement!

