



CHPS Rooksdown Campus NEWSLETTER

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

UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

- 13 February** – Last Day of School
- 14 February** – Inset Day
- 17 – 21 February** – Half Term Holiday
- 24 February** – Back to School
- 26 & 27 February** – Parents Evening
- 27 February** – Happy School Bag
- 2 March** – Yr 4 Roman Day



- 6 March** – World Book Day
- 11 March** – Class Photos

REMINDERS:

Road Safety: After a near miss outside school this week, please can we ask that you keep your children safe and away from the roads while walking to and from school.

Coats: Due to the changeable weather please make sure your child brings a **named coat** to school every day. They will play outside in all weathers.

PE KIT: With the colder winter days, please can the children have warm navy or grey jogging bottoms and hoodies for outdoor PE. Trainers must be worn and not plimsols.

Change of personal details: If your telephone, address, email or emergency contact details change please update the school office.

Appointments: where avoidable please do not book appointments during school time.

ATTENDANCE:

(whole school target is **97%**)

Our attendance update for the week beginning **3rd February 2020 = 96.5%**

Currently, **72** children at Rooksdown hold an attendance rate of 100% and a further **51** children are at 98% or more. Let's try and keep this going for 2020.

HAPPY SCHOOL BAG:

It's Happy School Bag collection time again! Bags have been sent home, so if you're having a clear out over half term please fill up your bag...or bags! Collection day is **27TH FEBRUARY**.



EASYFUNDRAISING:

Great news, we've raised **£8.86** in January! Please tell all your friends & family to sign up as you can earn £5 bonus donation every time someone joins and raises £5. **Plus, you can WIN a £500 donation for CHPS.** You'll get a **FREE** entry every time a new supporter signs up before 24th February. Use this link:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/castlehillsch/?invite=F71Q1D&referral-campaign=s2s>



HPL:

Thank you to Councillor Mans (Leader of Hampshire County Council), along with Mr Crocker OBE (Director of Children's Services) and Councillor Chadd (Executive Member for Education and Skills at Hampshire County Council) to present us with our HPL plaque. If you wish to find out more on HPL please visit our school website by clicking on this link: <https://www.castlehillprimary.net/our-school/high-performance-learning>



MESSAGE FROM MR MARTIN:

Further to my email last week I'd like to remind parents about our new manners and attendance incentive. We will be monitoring the children and keeping a record of children/classes that are excelling in these areas. Each week we will be giving out certificates and each month the class with the highest attendance will be awarded with a Mufti Day (exceptional medical circumstances will be handled sensitively). Individual class jars are held in the reception areas of both schools. Please help us encourage the children to work towards these goals. Thank you for your continued support.

TWITTER:



@chps_bstoke



OUR SPORTING CHAMPION:

Well done to LJ from Year 2 for winning Player of the Month at Hatch Warren Phoenix FC. Keep up the hard work!

IGNITE U7 PLAYER OF THE MONTH - DEC 19



SP Adobe Spark

X-COUNTRY TOURNAMENT:

Last week 16 children from Castle Hill participated in the **Basingstoke Cross Country tournament**. There were four categories: Yr 3/4 girls, Yr 3/4 boys, Yr 5/6 girls and Yr 5/6 boys. Maisie was our sole runner in the first race finishing an excellent 44th out of 117 runners. Josh, Ben, Mylo, Cheng Cheng ran in the second race alongside our Rooksdown contingent Liam, Ismet and Timmy. There were 149 runners and 27 school teams in this race. Congratulations to Castle Hill who finished 4th in the team category, a great team achievement. Also, special mention to Josh S who finished in a remarkable 6th place!

Lily, Lacey and Freya represented us in the Yr 5/6 girl's competition. There were 157 competitors and we are very happy that all three of our girls ran brilliantly to finish in the top half. In the final race of the day, Calum, Oliver E, Jayden, James and Jacob lined up amongst 164 other runners. The boys pushed themselves hard to finish in 7th position out of 32 school teams involved.

Thank you to all of the parents who helped transport the children to and from Down Grange and for supporting all of our children in their races. Once again, well done to our fantastic athletes!



SWIMMING LESSONS:

Year 4 will be starting their swimming lessons in June. **The dates are:** 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th June and July 6th & 7th. Please make sure your child has all their kit available those days. Thank you.



ROCK STEADY VISIT:

Last week, the children enjoyed a visit from Rock Steady Music School. They took part in workshops, where they learnt about some of the instruments that make up a band – the electric guitar, the drums, the keyboard and vocals. A lucky few had the opportunity to play some of the instruments for themselves and everyone joined in with singing and with keeping the beat. It was lovely to see the children so enthusiastic and engaged. They showed great support for their classmates and in working together were fantastic examples of collaborative learning.

Rock Steady lessons began in school this week, with some great sounds – and smiles - coming from the music room. The lesson slots filled very quickly and we have a waiting list of pupils ready to take up places as they become available. We look forward to the big concert at the end of term!



NEWS & EVENTS (click links for more info):

Challenger Sports Half Term Sessions:

Please see below information regarding our half term sessions.

Monday 17th - Friday 21st @ Sherfield Park Community Centre

https://uk.challengersports.com/basingstoke/search_lesson



The Event Box – free half term event:

The Event Box is an inflatable cube erected at the top of town. It will have free events and activities running over February Half Term. Visit here for the event flyer:

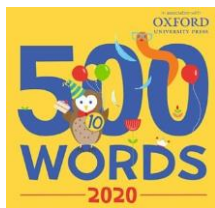
<https://www.castlehillprimary.net/news/2020-02-06-the-event-box-free-half-term-event>



BBC Radio 2 - 500 Words Competition:

There's still time....all entries must be in by Thursday 27th February @ 8pm. All details on how to enter can be found here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4n1HgL2GFCWDmCtq9Sx5kKB/500-words-2020>



30 Free Spotlight Spaces over Half Term:

<https://castle-hill-primary-school.schudio.com/admin/news/view/36073>



WE ARE RECRUITING:

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR

position, please visit our school website page:

<https://www.castlehillprimary.net/job-vacancies>

YEAR R PEOPLE WHO HELP US TOPIC:

Year R have been very busy learning all about People Who Help Us. We have been very fortunate to have some real-life heroes such as police officers, fire fighters, a dental nurse and an army officer. We have explored the inside of police cars and fire engines and looked at all the equipment and uniforms. We even had a go at trying some on! During our visit from a dental nurse, we learnt all about the role of a dentist and how they help us. We asked lots of questions about taking care of our teeth and enjoyed some role playing with our special visitor.

After all this talking about roles in the community and the different jobs that you can choose to do, we did lots of thinking (and talking) about what we would like to be when we grow up. The children all had some wonderful ideas which they showcased during our 'When I grow Up I Want to be...' dress up day. All the children showed a great confidence in themselves, had their own ideas and could explain them to others.



SAFETY INTERNET DAY:

Each year in the UK, we use Safer Internet Day to explore a new area or theme that are important to the young people we work with every day. This year, we are exploring whether young people feel free to be themselves online. We will explore how young people manage their online identity, and how the internet shapes how they think of themselves and others. We will look at whether the internet allows young people to experiment and express themselves, or if they feel limited in who they can be online.

By opening up conversations around online identity, we aim to inspire young people to support each other in being who they want to be. We want Safer Internet Day 2020 to celebrate difference and help us work towards creating a truly inclusive internet.

<https://www.castlehillprimary.net/news/2020-02-11-safer-internet-day>

WE ARE RECRUITING:

Would you be interested in a:

**LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR
PTP (MATERNITY LEAVE COVER)**

PTP 1-2-1

position, please visit our school website page:

<https://www.castlehillprimary.net/job-vacancies>

Calendar Dates: <http://www.castlehillprimary.net/calendar>

Please see below for a reminder on dates. New dates or amendments are highlighted in red.

February 2020					
Thursday	13 th	All Day	Last Day of Term	Both sites	All
Friday	14 th	All Day	Inset Day 3	Both sites	All
Monday	17 th	All Day	Half Term begins	Both sites	All
Monday	24 th	All Day	First Day of Term – Spring 2 Term	Both sites	All
Wednesday	26 th	15:15 – 18:15	Spring Parents Evening	Both sites	All
Thursday	27 th	16:00 – 19:00	Spring Parents Evening	Both sites	All
Thursday	27 th	9:00	Happy School Bag Collection	Both sites	All
March 2020					
Monday	2 nd	All Day	Year 4 Roman Day	Rooksdown	Year 4
Friday	6 th	All Day	World Book Day	Both sites	All
Wednesday	11 th	8:00 – 14:00	Class Photographs	Rooksdown	All
Friday	20 th	All Day	Year 3 Butser Farm Trip	Butser Farm	Year 3
Friday	20 th	9:15 – 12:45	Yr R Height, Weight, Hearing & Vision screening – session 1	Rooksdown	Year R
Friday	27 th	9:15 – 12:45	Yr R Height, Weight, Hearing & Vision screening – session 1	Rooksdown	Year R
April 2020					

Wednesday	1 st	Year R 14:00 – 14:45 Years 1&2 15:00 – 16:00 Years 3&4 16:15 – 17:15	Easter Disco	Rooksdown	All
Thursday	2 nd	9:15 -1:15 13:30 – 14:30	Year 3&4 Easter Performances	Rooksdown	Year 3 & 4
Friday	3 rd	All Day	Last Day of Term	Both sites	All
Monday	6 th	All Day	Easter Holidays begin	Both sites	All
Monday	20 th	All Day	First Day Back – Summer 1 Term	Both sites	All
May 2020					
Friday	8 th	All Day	Bank Holiday Monday	Both sites	All
Friday - Thursday	15 th – 21 st	9:30-11:30	Year 2 SATs Testing	Rooksdown	Year 2
Tuesday	19 th	15:00-15:30	Parent Share	Rooksdown	All
Thursday	21 st	15:00-15:30	Parent Share	Rooksdown	All
Thursday	21 st	All Day	Last Day of Term	Both sites	All
Friday	22 nd	All Day	Inset Day 4	Both sites	All
Monday	25 th	All Day	May Half Term begins	Both sites	All
June 2020					
Monday	1 st	All Day	First Day Back – Summer 2 Term	Both sites	All
Wednesday	3 rd	9:00	Happy School Bag Collection	Both sites	All
Wednesday	10 th	All Day	Whole School Photo	Rooksdown	All
Friday	19 th	9:00-11:30	Sports Day	Rooksdown	All
Friday	19 th	12:30-15:00	Sports Day Picnic & Summer Fayre	Rooksdown	All
Friday	26 th	12:30–15:00	Sports Day Picnic & Summer Fayre (Reserve Day)	Rooksdown	All
July 2020					
Tuesday	21 st	All Day	Last Day of Term	Both sites	All
Wednesday	22 nd	All Day	Inset Day 5	Both sites	All
Thursday	23 rd	All Day	Summer Holidays begin	Both sites	All