



UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

[CHPS WEBSITE CALENDAR](#)

8 April - Mufti-Day & Easter Activities
11-22 April - Easter Holidays
25 April – First day back to school
26 April – Year 3 Ancient Egyptian Day
2 May - Bank Holiday
3 May – Wellington Country Park Trip
4 May – FF Discos
9-12 May - Year 6 SATs
19 May – Year 5 SeaCity Museum Trip
26 May - Mufti-Day & Last Day of Term
26 May – Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Picnic (TBC)
27 May - Inset Day
30 May - 3 June - Half Term Holiday
9 June - Class Photos
9 June – Year 4 Swimming Lessons start
10 June - Bags To School collection
17 June – Sports Day
20 June - Whole School Photo
2 July – Stubbington Open Day
20 July - Mufti-Day & Last Day of Term
21 July - Inset Day 5
22 July – Summer Holidays begin
1 September – Inset Day 1
2 September – Inset Day 2
3-7 October – Year 6 Stubbington Residential

REMINDERS:

Drop-off & Collection Changes: From Monday 25th April we will revert back to our pre-Covid school day (see table below). If you have children in different key stages, please drop off at the earlier time. Report to reception if arriving after these times to be signed in.

| Years | Drop Off | Collection |
|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Years R-2 | 8:45-9:00 | 15:00 |
| Years 3-6 | 8.35-8:50 | 15:00 |

Parking & Road Consideration: We have sent out numerous reminders recently regarding inconsiderate and illegal parking, dangerous driving and pedestrians crossing without care, causing near misses. Please can we ask that you are using the roads and pavements safely and considerately, we would hate these near misses to become anything more serious. As this is becoming more frequent, we will be covering ‘Road Safety’ in every class this week but we also ask that you reiterate this message and its importance at home.

Phone Messages: As we gradually move back to ‘normality’ at school, the school office is getting increasingly busy with phone calls. Can we please ask that you use the answer phone message facility for absence and collection messages. Admin will pick up these messages throughout the day.

UKRAINE APPEAL:

We would like to thank everyone who donated items to the Ukraine collection. We were overwhelmed with people's generosity and quick response. A big thank you to Basingstoke Skip Hire who arranged the van and collections from both schools.



YEAR 4 SWIMMING LESSONS:

Swimming lessons are back! Year 4 will be having lessons for 6 weeks at the Aquadrome starting Thursday 9th June. More information to follow...



FUNDRAISING FRIENDS DISCO:



Wednesday 4th May

Year R - 2:00pm- 2:45pm
 Year 1+2 - 3:00pm-4:00pm
 Year 3+4 - 4:00pm-5:00pm
 Year 5+6 - 5:00pm-6:00pm

YEAR 6 LEAVERS HOODIES:

Don't forget to order your Year 6 Leavers Hoodie! Please complete the Google Form sent out on 1st April and pay and order your required size via Scopay **by 6th June.**



BAG 2 SCHOOL:

Thank you for all your donations, we raised £73.20 (18.3kg worth of clothing) from both schools.

Next collection is Friday 10 June (please deliver that morning before 9am. We have no storage at school).



EASYFUNDRAISING:

Please help us reach our 2022 fundraising goals by signing up to easyfundraising to raise free donations for Castle Hill Primary School - every time you shop online or book a holiday! **We still need another 98 supporters to hit our summer target.** Please help, click on the link to register:

[Easyfundraising for CHPS](#)



SCHOOL MEALS & MENUS:

The NEW Summer Term menu will be available to view on the school website today! The menu will be available to order from **Monday 25th April**. From this date the jacket potato option will be replaced with a picnic option and there will also be an increase in the cost of the school meal to **£2.60**.

To view the menus, visit:

<https://www.castlehillprimary.net/parents/school-meals>



NEWS & EVENTS (click links for more info):

Free Online Parent Courses:

[Free Online Parent Courses](#)



Sing For Fun:

[Sing For Fun](#)



Hampshire Parent Carer Network - MARCH Newsletter:

[March Newsletter](#)



Sports Xtra Easter Holiday Camp:

[Sports Xtra Easter Holiday Activities](#)



Get Active Easter Sports Camp:

[Get Active Sports Holiday Camp](#)



Theatretrain Easter Courses:

[Theatretrain Easter Courses](#)



WORLD BOOK DAY:

Everyone had such fun on World Book day, the costumes were amazing! We raised £239 across both schools.



HARLEY SMASHES IT:

Congratulations to Harley D (Year 4) who competed twice in the half term holidays and won the South England Regional Tour and came 2nd in the GB Nationals in Sheffield where the top 40 competed. He is now officially no.2 in Great Britain out of 700 boys in his year of birth!

Such an amazing achievement Harley, well done from us all at CHPS.



REACHING DIZZY HEIGHTS FOR ELLIE & KATIE:

Ellie & Katie M have been training hard for the UK Aerial Performance Championships. Ellie performed a version of the sugar plum fairy on the hoop. Katie (the youngest competitor) performed to Surface Pressure from Encanto.

Both girls won their age category (7-10) for hoop & silks! They will both go through to the UK finals. Well done for all your hard work & perseverance.



GIRLS FREE CRICKET TASTER SESSION:



ELLIE SHINES IN THE WEST END:

We're very proud of Ellie M taking part in this production in London's West End (Y5, Ms Bellars). She's worked hard practicing. Her piece is about the anniversary of VE Day & covid lockdown and the differences and similarities of what children experienced in these times.

To read more, the Gazette Newspaper has covered the story: [Gazette Article](#)



NETBALL MATCH REPORT:

The Year 6 Netball team that were chosen to represent the school vs St Bede's on the 29th of March showed up in full force. We were confident and full of energy from the start. The team showed encouragement and positivity on court through great teamwork and collaboration. For this only being our second fixture against another school, the children showed resilience and exceptional sportsmanship when playing.

Unfortunately, the opposition walked away with a win but we held our heads high and congratulated them on their success. The team look forward to playing more games in the future and to hopefully take part in some friendly tournaments in the summer term. Well done Isla, Marina, Grace, Tiara, Dami, Seb and Ousmane.



HEROS STAMP DESIGN:

CHPS were one of the 7479 schools and the 606,049 entries, helping Royal Mail secure the Guinness World record title for the largest postage stamp design competition.

The competition was open to UK school children to mark the important role played by key workers and frontline staff during the pandemic. No overall winners for CHPS but how fantastic to be part of the world record!



CHPS BIRD BOXES:

How exciting, we now have bird boxes set up at both schools and we seem to have visitors!!

To do some online bird-watching and view them via the following links: [Bird Boxes Blog & Links](#)



NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY:

We continue to use the National Online Safety resources, which means everyone associated with the school are able to access. We have been sharing examples of them on our school website. Please follow the link to sign up as a Parent/Carer: [National Online Safety](#)



We encourage you to sign up to the **FREE** mobile app to get the latest updates regarding online safety delivered straight to your phone each week to ensure you are aware of what your children might be doing online!