

CHPS Rooksdown Campus

NEWSLETTER



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

UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

[CHPS WEBSITE CALENDAR](#)

26 May - Multi-Day (red, white & blue) & last day of term

26 May – Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Picnic

27 May - Inset Day

30 May - 3 June - Half Term Holiday

9 June - Class Photos

9 June – Yr4 Swimming Lessons start

10 June - Bags To School collection

13 June – Year 2 African Workshop

17 June – Sports Day

20 June - Whole School Photo

2 July – Stubbington Open Day

6 July – Year 5/6 Production

7 July – Year 5/6 Production

20 July - Multi-Day & last day of term

21 July - Inset Day

22 July – Summer Holidays begin

1 September – Inset Day

2 September – Inset Day

5 September – First Day of Term

3-7 October – Year 6 Stubbington Residential

24-28 October – Half Term Holiday

31 October – Inset Day

19-30 December – Christmas Holidays

3 January 2023 – Back to School

REMINDERS:

School Dinners: Please remember to pre-order and pay for school dinners via Scopay. If you need to register for a Scopay link email admin@chjs.net

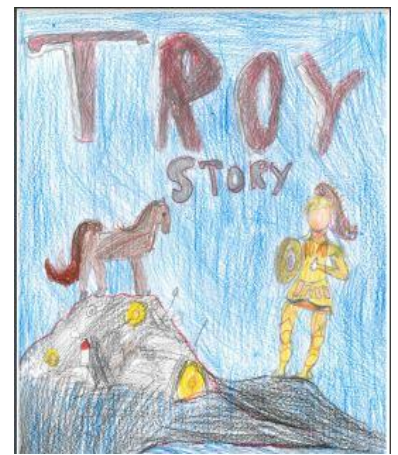
Water Bottles: We are getting more requests for cups where children have forgotten their water bottles. With the warmer weather upon us please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle, sun hat and apply sun cream.

NO NUTS: We have a number of children with severe nut allergies. Please do not bring any food products containing nuts into school. As per a previous communication from Allergy UK, please ensure your sun cream does not contain almond oil. The article can be found here: [Nivea Sun Protection Information](#)

Fruit: To avoid choking please can we ask that grapes are cut length-ways.

YEAR 5/6 PRODUCTION:

Troy Story will be performed on Wednesday 6th July (matinee & evening) & Thursday 7th July (evening). More information to follow...



Programme created by Matthew W

YEAR 4 SWIMMING LESSONS:

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



HPL AMBASSADORS:

During assembly the HPL leads discussed the fantastic opportunity for the pupils to become HPL Ambassadors. For those who wish to join this group, they have been asked to create a short speech about why they'd make a great Ambassador, ready for next term. Visit our school website for more information on Higher Performance Learning: <https://www.castlehillprimary.net/our-school/high-performance-learning>

NEW GOVERNORS:

Our governors play an important role in our school community and we are delighted to announce and welcome three new governors to our board this year:

- Mrs Christine Bagan - Co-opted Governor
- Mr Erivan White - Co-opted Governor
- Mrs Catherine Sreedharan - Parent Governor

A full list of our governors and their roles & responsibilities can be found on the school website:

<https://www.castlehillprimary.net/our-school/governors/who-we-are>

INSET DAYS 2022/2023:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Monday 31st October 2022

Friday 10th February 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

All Term Dates can be found here:

[CHPS Website Term Dates](#)

BAG 2 SCHOOL:

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



BAGAN BOYS COME TO VISIT:

How lovely to see our ex-pupils Joel and Sam Bagan come to visit us. They are both enjoying successful careers in football. Joel is a left-back for Cardiff City in the Championship and also plays for the Republic of Ireland Under 21s squad. Sam is also a defender for the Under 18s QPR squad and was recently called up to the Republic of Ireland training camp. We hope they come back again soon.



MAREK'S MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP:

Congratulations to Marek G (Year 3) who recently passed his Grade 4 singing exam.

Last term, Marek was offered a place at Sussex House in London and was also rewarded with a music scholarship for The Pilgrims' School in Winchester, which he has accepted. We are very proud of Marek for all of his achievements and wish him all the best for his time at The Pilgrims' School.



NEWS & EVENTS (click links for more info):

Spotlight News:



[Performing Arts Club](#)

[Charity Shop Donations Wanted](#)

[Dance Party - 25 May](#)

[Youth Bowling - 26 May](#)

Adventure Ranger Corp (A.R.C):

**Adventure
Ranger Corp**
Uniformed Charity Youth Group



[Adventure Ranger Corp](#)

Easyfundraising Donation Reminder App:



You can now get the easyfundraising Donation Reminder on your iPhone and iPad. Simply download their app and enable the Donation Reminder feature on your Safari browser. They'll then pop up every time a donation is available. This means no missed donations for CHPS when you're shopping on your mobile! Find out more here: [Donation Reminder](#)

CHPS COMMUNITY, SUPPORTING CHPS:

We do understand that within our school community families are struggling financially. We would like to make you aware that we have access to some funding for certain situations to help those in need. We use multi-day donations and other school events to keep our school hardship fund topped up.

If you would like to talk privately to a member of our team, please email admin@chjs.net.

THE FAMOUS SCHOOL DISCO IS BACK:

The children were very excited to be taking part in the school disco. We danced the day/night away with our friends and took part in musical statues, best dancer and the biggest conga line.

The best part of the evening had to be the tuck shop, which had a queue all the way through the dance floor. A huge thank you must go to the Fundraising Friends for organising and supporting with the tuck shop. Also, thank you to all the wonderful teachers for staying to help and to John Crawford for providing the music.

NETBALL SUCCESS FOR OUR YEAR 6 TEAM:

The Year 6 Netball team played a mini tournament vs St Bede's. They were delighted to have won 4 out of 6 games, a huge success for them and a massive boost for their confidence. We hope to play more games in the future to improve our experience, boost our self-esteem and further our expertise on playing as a team. Well done CHPS!



MAX CAKE SALE FOR UKRAINE REFUGEES:

Maximilian K (Year 4) was so upset by the refugees in the Ukraine being forced to flee their homes that he wanted to raise funds to help them. He decided on running a series of bake sales after school for 3 days and set himself a target of raising £100 to help refugees. He carefully planned his recipes, ensuring there were options for everyone including anyone with allergies, and then created a mountain of homemade treats!

His stall was a huge success and even had a local Rooksdown resident originally from Ukraine coming over to thank him personally for his effort for her country. A final count has put him at a staggering £326.50 raised! He will donate £100 to the Ukrainian Institute in London and the rest to buy essential supplies for refugees. Well done Max!



YEAR R WELLY PARK TRIP:

WOW! This term, Year R went on a fantastic trip to Wellington Country Park. The weather was divine and the children enjoyed all the outdoor activities. We visited the farm and had the opportunity to feed the animals, learn facts about them and were also able to pet them. We met guinea pigs, sheep, Shetland ponies, a variety of goats, cows, chickens, donkeys and even some Alpacas! The children also took a train ride around fairy village and we had lots of fun trying to spot the letters of the alphabet whilst on our ride. It was a welcomed rest after all of the walking!

Towards the end of our trip, we visited the dinosaur park with lots of roars and grumbles from the enormous dinosaurs! We were not scared but more interested to learn about the carnivores and herbivores in prehistoric times. The children were able to look at what a fossilised dinosaur looked like and we even spotted a dinosaur hatching! We ended our trip with a visit to the adventure playground which was very high and the children showed great HPL characteristics: resilience, confidence and perseverance. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers, we couldn't have done it without you!



SEACITY TRIP FOR YEAR 5:

Last week Year 5 attended the Sea City Museum in Southampton and it was certainly a school trip to remember! This trip complimented their learning this half term, about the Titanic. The pupils had a fantastic time listening to the very knowledgeable museum staff talk us through life onboard the Titanic where they learnt lots of impressive facts about the maiden voyage of this fantastic ship. They also took part in a workshop, where they had to complete different activities including looking at artefacts, cracking morse code, deciding on who would have been placed on the lifeboats and finally discovering how the different compartments within the Titanic flooded. The children were all highly engaged and asked lots of insightful and thoughtful questions!

Well done Year 5, you showed true Castle Hill spirit and made us proud with your impeccable behaviour, even when the bus broke down!



YEAR 3 EGYPTIAN DAY:

On our Egyptian Day some of us dressed up as Ancient Egyptian pharaohs. We started the day by going on a scavenger hunt to discover as many facts as we could about Egypt. We then mummified a tomato, which was really fun but some people didn't like the tomato juice! We also did some food tasting with: dates, lentils, flatbreads, honey and figs. Our favourite was the flatbread and the honey. We had a great day learning about the Egyptians! By Isla N (Yr 3 GB)



THE BIG JUBILEE LUNCH

