

NEWSLETTER – JANUARY to MARCH 2023

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NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of another busy and productive term at school. Highlights of the term have included; Young Voices, World Book Day, Comic Relief, Bike Ability, Year 4 Easter Assembly, Parent Voice Sessions, Autism Awareness Coffee Morning and many sporting events.

Our school choir continues to be well attended. Sadly, we said goodbye to Ms Lyons this term and welcomed Ms Gregory, who has taken on the role of leading our school choir.

This term we have submitted our application for the Artsmark status. We will share any updates with you as soon as we have them.

We continue to collect items of pre-loved uniform and we have been able to help some families by rehoming your very generous donations.

Throughout the summer term children will be given the opportunity to attend educational visits with their year group and we are looking forward to our residential visits.

At CHS, we strive to be a 'nurturing school' as we believe it is important to ensure our pupils are in a nurturing environment that supports them to learn. Nurture helps us to develop our social and emotional skills to support our development as well as to develop our resilience. To do this we aiming to ensure we promote and embed Nurture UK's "Six Principles of Nurture" across the whole school environment and to work together to gain The National Nurturing Schools Award.

Your child will bring home an Easter Egg today, these have been donated to school by the Christian Renewal Centre. We are very grateful for their generous donations.

As always, a huge thanks to the staff team who go above and beyond every single week.

I would also like to thank you as parents for your support and wish you all a very Happy Easter.

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REMINDERS Easter Break

Pupils break up for Easter - Friday 31st March 2023 Easter Break (Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April 2023) School re-opens to children on Monday 17th April 2023 – *Summer Term* (1)

Please see page 6 for Activities Available During the Easter Break





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School closure due to weather or an emergency

Should the school need to close, we would like to remind you of ways of securing the correct information.

- Dojo system
- <u>School texting service</u>: We will send the first contact on our database, a text with the necessary information.
 Please keep your 'phone turned on and make sure you update the office with any change of mobile number, thank you.
- <u>Coleshill Heath Twitter Site</u>: log-on to Twitter.com, search Coleshill Heath, click on Coleshill Heath to view our "tweets".
- Coleshill Heath School website google Coleshill Heath
- Search <u>www.solihull.gov.uk</u> internet site.
- Listen to <u>FREE or Heart FM</u> radio stations where announcements on school closures will be made.

INFORMATION REGARDING ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

All applications for school places for September 2023 have to be made via the Council website: <u>http://www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions</u>. If you live outside Solihull you must apply to your local council even if you want to include Solihull schools on your application.

Information for Year 6 Parents – applying for a Secondary School place for September 2023

Children with a date of birth between 1st September 2011 and 31st August 2012 (current Year 6) transfer to secondary school in September 2023. Closing date for applying online was 31st October 2022. **Offer day was** 1st **March 2023.**

Information for Nursery Parents – applying for a Reception place for September 2023

Children with a date of birth between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 start full-time school in September 2023. This first year is called 'Reception'. Closing date for applying online was 15th January 2023. **Offer day is** 17th April 2023.

REPORTING BACK Christmas Fair and Raffle



Long awaited congratulations to Dimitri from Year 4 for winning this SIGNED Aston Villa shirt from the School Christmas Raffle - Amazing!

Thank you to Aston Villa FC for their contribution and supporting the school.

Young Voices Choir Event

On 11th January, our fabulous CHS Young Voices Choir performed at Resorts World, Birmingham alongside over 6,600 other children and a star appearance from Heather Small!

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NSPCC Number Day



We celebrated 'NSPCC Number Day' in style on Friday 3rdFebruary. We had a fun day, filled with maths activities, TT Rock stars battles and we even dressed up in digits!

We have raised £84.91 for the NSPCC! Well done and thank you for your support.

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Online Safety - Safer Internet Day 7th February 2023

Tuesday 7th February was Safer Internet Day around the world, promoting being "Together for a better internet" and encouraging talking about life online.

Life online is often as important to our children as life offline and making space to talk about it is really important.

Parents and carers can still register for our National Online Safety program to learn more about the apps, sites and technologies that children use every day. Just visit <u>https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/coleshill-heath-school</u> to sign up.





Music After School Club





Music after school club run by Solihull Music Service is an instrumental tuition club which runs every Tuesday. Pupils enjoy learning the guitar, drums, glockenspiels and song writing music notation.

Own Clothes Day for Children's Mental Health Week

A big Thank You for your generous donations for Own Clothes Day in support of Children's Mental Health Week. We raised a total of £232.24 to go towards purchasing resources and interventions to further support the mental health and wellbeing of pupils at CHS. Throughout the week pupils learned about the importance of wellbeing through themed books and completed activities around these. As always, if you have any concerns about your child's mental health or wellbeing, please share these with your child's class teacher.



World Book Day – 2nd March 2023



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CHS celebrated WBD by creating our own 'Walking Dictionary'. The children enjoyed sharing their word with others and learning new words throughout the day. Team CHS have shown their creativity by turning their favourite book character into a potato or wooden spoon.





A huge well done to our Year 3 children who challenged themselves in the Personal Best competition. #COURAGE#CONFIDENCE

Comic Relief

Personal Best



On Friday 17th March, school held a non-uniform day to support Comic Relief. We managed to raise £203. Thank you to all who contributed.

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Year 3 made it to the Gymnastics County Finals on 23rd March

A huge congratulations to our Year 3 children who competed against 6 other schools from our borough, and made it into the County finals. They had to show their skills by performing a floor routine that existed of rolls, balances and jumps and also a run, a vault and a jump. Well done



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Boys Football Team

The boys football team played two games last week. Narrowly losing 1-0 and winning the other 6-0. Good work. **#COURAGE#CONFIDENCE**

3v3 Basketball

Year 5 boys competed in a new sport 3v3 basketball. The three boys played 3 games and scored key baskets in all games. Well done #COURAGE#CONFIDENCE

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Voice



Accompany us in our 'Quest to be the Best' and join our Parent Voice - Curriculum. Next meeting is Thursday 27th April 2023 – CHS Community Hub (2.15pm-3.15pm).

SATs for Pupils in Year 6

Monday 8th May 2023 – Thursday 11th May 2023 are the provisional dates for Year 6 SATs. Please make a note of the dates in your diary. As you know Year 6 is a critical year for pupils and excellent attendance is expected.



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Could your child be eligible for extra funding?

Please click on the link and complete the online application for Free School Meals / Pupil Premium to find out: www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm



Unwanted Good Quality Uniform

If you have any unwanted good quality uniform, can you please pass this to the class teacher or the school office so we can make it available to other families. This is something the government have asked schools to implement, thank you. This FREE pre-loved uniform is available at publicised events throughout the year. For

further information please speak to the school office

School Uniform Suppliers

Uniform can be purchased through Brigade or Mansuri Schoolwear. Please see details below:



<u>Brigade</u> Order your school uniform online from

Log on to: <u>www.brigade.uk.com</u> Enter Coleshill Heath School (delivery to school service) and select the school from the drop-down list provided.



Mansuri Schoolwear

163 Yew Tree Lane Yardley Birmingham B26 1AY Tel: 0121 784 4230 Please telephone before you visit to see if they stock what you require (Jumpers/Cardigans/PE tops, book bags)

Improving Communication Links with School

To keep your child/ren safe and ensure their well-being, we are constantly looking for ways to improve our links with you and keep everyone up-to-date and well informed. As sending written information home is sometimes unreliable; we are continuing to use Schoolcomms, an electronic school communication system. This will enable you to receive all your information from school quickly and reliably. We can send letters by email to your inbox and short messages directly to your mobile phone as a text message, or if you have an Apple or Android mobile phone, by app message. In addition to Schoolcomms, we also use ParentPay for trips, dinner money etc and Class Dojo for communicating with parents.

URGENT: Keep the office informed of your current mobile number and email address. If you are not receiving communication by these sources, please contact the school office and they will look into the reason why. Help us to help you, thank you. Limited information can also be found on our website and noticeboards around school.



Solihull Family Hubs

Solihull Council will be opening some new Family Hubs across the borough. These important new centres will give children, young people and their families access to the best health and family support services from pregnancy to 25 years, alongside social activities at places that are most convenient for them.

If you have any questions, please email: familyhubs@solihull.gov.uk For more information about the Family Hubs please visit: https://www.solihull.gov.uk/news/ new-family-hubs-solihull



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Eggstraordinary Story Trail Join me Kevin the Donkey on Saturday 8th April Renewal, tode Lane, Solihull, B912JR Dorter will be chocolate eggs, crafts, refreshments and a huge puppet show! Its free to take part, so come along and bring your friends too!

Dates for your Diary: Summer Term (1) – April to May 2023

March 2023				
31.03.2023	Champion Learner Assembly (9.00am and 2.30pm)			
31.03.2023				
Monday 3 rd April 2023 to Friday 14 th April 2023				
April 2023				
17.04.2023	Start of Summer Term (1)			
	Musician of the Month – Scott Joplin			
17.04.2023	Art Gallery Week			
17.04.2023	Reception 2023 National Offer Day			
17.04.2023	Year 5 – Library Visit 3			
18.04.2023	Year 3 – Cadbury World (9.00am-3.00pm)			
19.04.2023	SEND Archery at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.15pm)			
20.04.2023	Years 5&6 – Maths Quiz at Kingshurst (3.30pm-5.00pm)			
24.04.2023	Year 4 – Library Visit 1			
25.04.2023	Nursery – Dentist Visit (10.30am and 12.30pm)			
26.04.2023	Year 5 – Whitemoor Lakes Residential (26 th -28 th)			
27.04.2023	Parent Voice: Curriculum - CHS Community Hub (2.15pm-3.15pm) – everybody welcome			
27.04.2023	Year 4 – Outdoor & Adventurous Activities(OAA) at John Henry Newman (3.45pm-5.30pm)			
May 2023				
01.05.2023	Bank Holiday (May Day)			
	Musician of the Month – Led Zeppelin			
01.05.2023	Sun Awareness Week			
04.05.2023	Year 2 – Maths Quiz at Kingshurst (3.30pm-5.00pm)			
05.05.2023	Year 3 – Sleepover			
08.05.2023	Bank Holiday (Coronation/Help Community)			
w/c 09.05.2023	KS2 SATs			
11.05.2023	Year 5 – Harkirat Singh - Sikh Education Service (pm)			
11.05.2023	KS1 – Football Festival at Grace Academy (3.30pm-5.00pm)			
w/c 15.05.2023	KS1 SATs			
15.05.2023	Years 5&6 – First Aid Training			
15.05.2023	Year 4 – Library Visit 1			
16.05.2023	Years 5&6 – Maths Quiz at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)			
17.05.2023	Year 3 – HAL Project: Once There Were Four (Children Story Building)			
17.05.2023	National Numeracy Day 2023			
17.05.2023	KS2 – Panathalon at The Coleshill School (10.15am-12.00pm, 1.30pm-3.30pm)			
18.05.2023	Parent Voice: Curriculum - CHS Community Hub (2.15pm-3.15pm) – everybody welcome			
19.05.2023	Nursery (pm and all-day Children) – Ash End House Farm (All Day)			
19.05.2023	Year 6 – Cricket at Castle Bromwich Cricket Club (10.00am-2.00pm)			



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22.05.2023	Year 4 – Library Visit 2	
22.05.2023	Nursery (am Children) – Ash End House Farm (All Day)	
23.05.2023	Years 5&6 – Netball at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)	
25.05.2023	Reception – Birmingham Wildlife Park	
25.05.2023	Years 3&4 – Quad Kids at NSSC (9.30am-11.30am & 1.30pm-3.30pm)	
26.05.2023	Break Up for Half-Term	
Monday 29th May 2023 to Friday 2 nd June 2023		

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Dates for your Diary: Summer Term (2) – June to July 2023		
June 2023		
05.06.2023	Start of Summer Term (2)	
	Musician of the Month – Giuseppe Verdi	
05.06.2023	Year 3 – Library Visit	
06.06.2023	Years 5&6 – Netball League at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)	
08.06.2023	Years 2&3 – Shooting Stars Festival at John Henry Newman (9.30am-11.30am)	
12.06.2023	My Money Week	
12.06.2023	CHS Careers Week	
12.06.2023	Year 4 – Kingswood Residential (12 th -14 th)	
12.06.2023	Year 3 – Library Visit	
13.06.2023	Years 5&6 – Spelling Bee at Fordbridge (3.45pm-5.00pm)	
14.06.2023	Years 4-6 – HAL Project: Choral Extravaganza	
14.06.2023	Careers Fair	
15.06.2023	Parent Voice: Curriculum - CHS Community Hub (2.15pm-3.15pm) – everybody welcome	
16.06.2023	KS2 - Girl Power Party at Arden Hall (1.00pm-4.00pm)	
19.06.2023	Year 3 – Library Visit	
20.06.2023	Years 3&4 – Spelling Bee at Fordbridge (3.45pm-5.00pm)	
21.06.2023	World Music Day	
21.06.2023	Years 5&6 - Netball Final at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)	
22.06.2023	Year 6 – Residential: London (22 nd -23 rd)	
22.06.2023	Years 5&6 – Girls Football at John Henry Newman (3.45pm-5.30pm)	
26.06.2023	INSET Day	
27.06.2023	School Photographer in School	
27.06.2023	Reception Induction Evening (2.30pm and 5.00pm)	
27.06.2023	Year 2 – Spelling Bee at Fordbridge (3.45pm-5.00pm)	
29.06.2023	Year 2 – Weston Super Mare	
July 2023		
01.07.2023	Summer Fair	
	Musician of the Month – Lang Lang	
03.07.2023	Years 5&6 – Girls Football World Cup at Bodymoor Heath (10.00am-2.30pm)	
03.07.2023	Year 5 – Space Centre	
03.07.2023	Year 6 – Library Visit 1	
05.07.2023	Year 3 – HAL Project: Not Just Numbers	
06.07.2023	Solihull LA Secondary Transition Day	
06.07.2023	CHS – Transition Day	
06.07.2023	Parent Voice: Curriculum – CHS Community Hub (2.15pm-3.15pm) – everybody	
	welcome	
07.07.2023	Solihull LA Secondary Transition	
10.07.2023	Sports Week	
10.07.2023	EY – Sports Day	
10.07.2023	Year 6 – Library Visit 2	
11.07.2023	KS2 - Borough Athletics at Tudor Grange Leisure Centre (10.00am-3.30pm)	
12.07.2023	KS1 – Sports Day	
13.07.2023	Year 1 – Black Country Museum (All day)	
13.07.2023	KS2 – Sports Day	
13.07.2023	Year 6 – Leavers' Performance	
14.07.2023	Attendance Assembly	

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July 2023		
17.07.2023	Reading Festival Week	
17.07.2023	Years 5&6 – Girls Football World Cup at Bodymoor Heath (10.00am-2.30pm)	
17.07.2023	Year 6 – Library Visit 3	
18.07.2023	Attendance Reward Day	
19.07.2023	Reports out to Parents	
20.07.2023	Tea with Me – Reading (2.00pm)	
20.07.2023	Year 6 – Leavers' Disco	
21.07.2023	Champion Learner and Reading Reward Assembly	

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TERM DATES - Academic School Year 2023/2024

Autumn Term 2023	
Term Starts:	Monday 4 th September 2023
Half Term Holiday:	Monday 30 th October 2023 to Friday 3 rd November 2023
Term Ends:	Friday 22 nd December 2023
Spring Term 2024	
Term Starts:	Monday 8 th January 2024
Half Term:	Monday 12 th February 2024 to Friday 16 th February 2024
Term Ends:	Friday 22 nd March 2024
Summer Term 2024	
Term Starts:	Monday 8 th April 2024
Half Term:	Monday 27 th May 2024 to Friday 31 st May 2024
Term Ends:	Monday 22 nd July 2024

In addition, please note that schools are required to have 5 INSET/Training days per academic year.

Bank Holiday (May Day) Monday 6th May 2024

All holidays should be taken during the 13 weeks that the school is closed



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