



Dear Parents/Carers,

Summer is well under way at CHS and it is wonderful to see so many children taking part in arts and sporting events beyond the school gates. Please check out our school calendar https://chs.solihull.sch.uk/calendar to see the range of exciting things we have planned.

We are starting to prepare for transition and have been busy planning out classes and staff allocation. Please look out for the new class overview that will be released shortly. Transition is a time where we pass on a range of information to new class teachers including aspects of learning, SEND needs, welfare needs and all things critical to make sure our children settle into the new school year with ease. This half term, we will be having some transition time in new classrooms and meeting any new members of staff joining the school.

Our Year 6 children worked incredibly hard during SATs week, we are very proud of them and know they answered every question to the best of their ability.

SAVE THE DATE: THIS YEAR, OUR SUMMER FAMILY FAYRE WILL BE ON SATURDAY 6th JULY 10am to 12pm. We will be sending some communication out about stalls but please let us know if you want to support us.

We recently held our third Culture Day. This was a huge success and we have more days planned in for the next academic year.

Our residentials have taken place this term, it has been fantastic to see so many children accessing these. I would like to thank all of those involved in planning and attending the residentials.

Kind regards,

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#### **REMINDERS**

Friday 21st June 2024 / Monday 22nd July 2024 **INSET Days:** Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024 (School Closed to Pupils) **General Election:** 

> **Break Up for the Summer:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

SUMMER FAYRE: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – everyone welcome!

#### Your Child's Attendance and Punctuality Matters

#### In the line at 10 to 9!

The formal school day for Years 1-6 starts at 8.50am. (Nursery and Reception start times vary). If your child arrives after 8.55am they are late and will need to report to the school office. **Child's absence** needs to be reported to the school office on the 1<sup>st</sup> day before 9.15am. **Appointment cards** need to be shown for all appointments so that these can be authorised.

This is the parents/carers responsibility

Regular school attendance is essential to ensure children make good progress and enjoy their education



"Going for Gold" Attendance Mission. Next term let's reach our goal of 95% or above attendance. If your child is in school every day for the week, they will be given a 'Golden Ticket' by their class teacher for the Summer Prize Draw. The more Golden Tickets they receive, the more chances they have to win one of the prizes. Please see page 8.



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#### REPORTING BACK

#### SATs

Well done to all those children who completed their SATs during May. We are incredibly proud of your hard work. You have all been fantastic and have answered every question to the best of your ability.

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#### Whitemoor Lakes Residential





Year 5 had an amazing time at Whitemoor Lakes at the beginning of this term. They had the opportunity to build rafts, work as a team on the nightline, tackle their fears by climbing high ropes, having a try at the leap of faith and team games. All the children represented Coleshill Heath really well.

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#### **School Sports**

A big congratulations to all children who have competed in any school sport this term. Coleshill Heath have been very successful this year and this term we have continued the success and added more trophies to the cabinet.

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#### 4 a Side Girls League

The girls' team have been playing on Tuesdays against other schools in our local area. We finished our league joint top and qualified for the final's day. On finals day the girls won all their matches convincingly and eventually won the final 6-1 to lift the shield and win the 4 a side girls league. Brilliant work girls!

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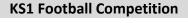
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Children from KS1 competed in a football competition, they played 4 games where they won 2, drew 1 and lost one. All children showed determination and teamwork. Eventually they came third and won a bronze medal. Well done to all the children.

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#### **KS2 Panathlon**

Children from KS2 participated in a Panathlon competition where the children had to compete in several games such as tunnel ball, loopy basketball, noughts and crosses, traffic lights, golf and target hit. After all the events the children finished in second place and won a silver medal and a trophy for coming runners up. Well done all.





#### **Achievements in and out of School**

A big shout-out to our superstars for their achievements: TTRS certificates, swimming certificate, karate black and white belt, football trophy, Blue Peter reading badge and many more...

Well done to all for your amazing commitment and hard work! We love to hear about your achievements in and out of school so be sure to let us know about your awesome accomplishments! #CHSRocks

You can find out about applying for your own Blue Peter book badge by visiting

https://bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge

#### **PARENT INFORMATION**

#### **General Election**

Unfortunately, due to the General Elections, school will be closed to all pupils on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2924. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

#### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

Due to unforeseen circumstances Charlotte Davis, one of our parent governors, has had to resign. We would like to thank her for her service to the school during the last 9 months.

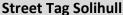
We will be writing to you shortly about the vacancy for the role of parent governor on our School Governing Body and invite parents/carers of registered pupils to put their name forward for election.



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The official season has kicked off! 💸 Coleshill Heath are currently 4th in North Solihull so you need to strap on your walking shoes, lace up those running sneakers, hop on your bike, roll on your wheelchair, or glide on your scooter to stay active, earn points, and claim awesome prizes!

The excitement has begun so don't miss out on the adventure and the journey towards better fitness and improved mental health.  $\Re \, \bigcirc$ 

#### Prizes:

There are prizes up for grabs at the end of the season! See below:

1st Place - £300 to the school PTA

2nd Place - £150 to the school PTA

🗑 3rd Place - £75 to the school PTA

Keep moving!

#### Entry to Year 7 in September 2025 - The Grammar Schools in Birmingham

Registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for a place at any of the grammar schools in Birmingham (entry to Year 7 in September 2025). Registration can be made online by visiting the website <a href="https://www.westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk">www.westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk</a>

The closing date for registering is 4pm on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

The test will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2024.



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#### 2 Year and 3-4 Year Provisions



#### **Nursery Places Available September 2024**

#### 2 Year Provision

Children who are 2 years old before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 may be entitled to a free nursery place for up to 15 hours per week. Please use the following link to check if you are eligible.

https://www.solihull.gov.uk/children-and-family-support/earlyeducation2yearolds

### Introduction of New Childcare Funding Scheme for Working Families

To apply for this new childcare funding for working families please apply to the National Childcare Service online or call 0300 123 4097.

#### Nursery 3 and 4 year olds

All children aged 3 to 4 are entitled to 15 hours of early education funding per week the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. If your child is 3 years old before 31<sup>st</sup> August you can apply for a place to start in September 2024.

Please email on 15admissions@chs.solihull.sch.uk for further information or to apply for a place.

#### Stay on top of School News by Downloading our School App!





Make sure you stay on top of school news, dates and events by downloading our school app.

https://www.schudio.com/free-school-app/

Once downloaded just search for Coleshill Heath School to stay connected. *Please check emails, Dojo and the website regularly for information and up-to-date events.* 

#### **National Online Safety**

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 <a href="https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/coleshill-heath-school">https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/coleshill-heath-school</a> to sign up. #CHSRocks #eSafety





"Parents are a massive part of their children's learning journey, we as parents are part of the school community, and children love to see their parents engaging and being part of school".

#### **Parent Voice**

Accompany us in our 'Quest to be the Best' and join our Parent Voice. We meet roughly once a month on a Friday (9.00am-10.00am) and would welcome you on board.

- ➤ Meet other CHS parents/carers
- > Share your views on CHS with staff and other parents/carers
- Learn more about how CHS works
- Enjoy a coffee and have fun!

**Next meeting: Friday 14**<sup>th</sup> **June 2024** usually held in the CHS Community Hub. Further date: 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024.



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#### Important – Parking with consideration

Please be considerate to local residents that live in close proximity to the school when parking and refrain from playing loud music and dropping litter. Please reduce your speed in and around the school site. Speed limit to 5mph on school property. Nothing comes before the safety and well-being of the children and school community. Thank you

#### Could your child be eligible for extra funding?

This is for all years (Reception – Year 6). If you have not done so already, we would appreciate you completing the online application to find out if you are eligible. Please go to the link below and complete the online application for Free School Meals / Pupil Premium: <a href="https://www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm">www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm</a>

#### **School Meals**

Reception, Years 1 and 2 are entitled to the Government's Universal Infant free school meal regardless of a parent's income. Year 3 upwards, as you are aware, are now required to pay for your child's school dinners as they will no longer qualify for the Government's Universal Infant Free School meals programme. Some families may be entitled to continue claiming free school meals depending on family income - if you would like to apply for free school meals, please do so via the Solihull council website at: <a href="http://www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm">http://www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm</a>. Families that do not qualify will be charged for each school meal their child has; payment is to be made online via ParentPay or at any PayPoint.

#### **Dinners/Trip Payments**

Please could we remind you that dinners should be paid for in advance. **Any outstanding debts should be paid as soon as possible**. Any debts move through the school with the child, thank you.

#### **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.

<u>URGENT:</u> Keep the office informed of your current mobile number and email address together with other contact information we hold. 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.

#### **Pupil/Privacy Notices**

Please be aware that we have updated our privacy notices, which explain how we use and process children's personal data. These can be found on the school website under Key Information and then Fair Processing.

#### **School Website**

Please look at our school website for Latest News Events, Upcoming Events, Policies, Class Blogs, Term Dates, Lunch Menu's, Calendar, Contact us enquiries form and more. www.chs.solihull.sch.uk



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#### **Correct School Uniform and Jewellery**

Please could we remind you to send your child to school with the correct uniform. If your child has pierced ears, only stud earrings are allowed. Lots of children are wearing hooped earrings, necklaces and bracelets which are a health and safety issue at school. Nail varnish should also not be worn. Long hair needs to be tied back. **Don't forget to apply sun cream and bring in hats during the hot weather**. Thank you for your co-operation. A list of uniform and suppliers is given below.

RECEPTION – YEAR 5		
Girls	Boys	
White polo shirt (School logo or plain)	White polo shirt (School logo or plain)	
Navy blue sweatshirt (School logo or plain)	Navy blue sweatshirt (School logo or plain)	
Navy blue cardigan (School logo or plain)	Black or grey trousers	
Black or grey skirt, trousers or pinafore	Black or grey shorts (warmer months)	
White or grey socks (ankle or knee length)	Black or grey socks	
Grey tights (colder months)	Black school shoes (no trainers)	
Blue check gingham dress (warmer months)		
Black school shoes (no trainers or open toe sandals)		
YEAR 6 (Secondary School Ready)		
Girls	Boys	
White polo shirt (School logo or plain)	White polo shirt (School logo or plain)	
Or white blouse and school tie	Or white shirt and school tie	
School blazer (with school logo)	School blazer (with school logo)	
Navy blue sweatshirt (School logo or plain)	Navy blue sweatshirt (School logo or plain)	
Navy blue cardigan (School logo or plain)	Black or grey trousers	
Black or grey skirt, trousers or pinafore	Black or grey shorts (warmer months)	
White or grey socks (ankle or knee length)	Grey or black socks	
Grey tights (colder months)	Black school shoes (no trainers)	
Blue check gingham dress (warmer months)		
Black school shoes (no trainers or open toe sandals)		

The wearing of our School blazer, school tie and a button up white shirt is optional for all year groups

#### **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:



#### Brigade

Order your school uniform online from

#### Log on to:

#### www.brigade.uk.com

Enter Coleshill Heath School (delivery to school service) and select the school from the drop-down list provided.





#### **Mansuri Schoolwear**

163 Yew Tree Lane

Yardlev

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)

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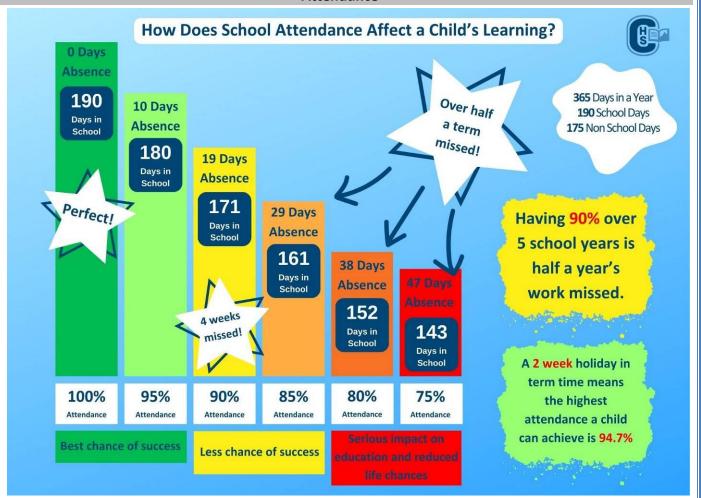


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#### Attendance



- In the line at 10 to 9! If your child is arriving after 8.55am, they are late for school, and will need to report to the school office! (For Nursery and Early Years start and finish times, please consult your class teacher).
- If your child is **absent from school** it is up to you as parents/carers to inform the school office on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of absence before 9.15am **(0121 779 8070 or email office@chs.solihull.sch.uk)**. Please telephone school and leave a message on the absence line, or report via the school website. *(Messages sent to teachers regarding pupils' absences do not always get passed on to the office)*. It is **your** responsibility to provide a reason for your child's absence. If not provided it will be marked as **unauthorised**.
- Medical appointments Pupils are expected to attend school prior to the appointment and return to school after the appointment. Evidence should be shown. Any absence outside of the appointment/travel time will be unauthorised.
- Where possible medical appointments should be booked outside of school hours.



'Going for Gold' attendance mission. During the Summer term, we are aiming for our attendance to reach at least 95% or above for the whole school. Should we achieve this, there will be a whole school prize to coincide with our Attendance Reward Day on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

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	Dates for your Diary: Summer Term (2) – June to July 2024
June 2024	
03.06.2024	Start of Summer Term (2)
	Musician of the Month – Dolly Parton
03.06.2024	Years 3-6 – Times Table Session
03.06.2024	Years 4&6 – Chance to Shine Cricket (sessions begin – 6 weeks)
04.06.2024	Years 5&6 – Netball League at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)
06.06.2024	Year 6 – Residential: London (6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> )
06.06.2024	Years 2&3 – Shooting Stars Festival at John Henry Newman CC (9.30am-11.30am)
07.06.2024	CHS Culture Morning – Euro 2024
w/c 10.06.2024	My Money Week
w/c 10.06.2024	CHS Careers Week
10.06.2024	Year 4 – Residential: Kingswood (10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )
10.06.2024	Years 5&6 – Spelling Bee at Fordbridge (3.45pm-5.15pm)
11.06.2024	Year 1 – Black Country Museum
11.06.2024	Year 4 – Fire Service Visit (2.00pm-3.00pm)
11.06.2024	Years 5&6 – Netball League at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)
13.06.2024	Years 3&4 – Girls Football at John Henry Newman CC (3.45pm-5.30pm)
14.06.2024	Father's Day Afternoon Workshop
14.06.2024	Parent Voice - CHS Community Hub (9.00am-10.00am) - everybody welcome
w/c 17.06.2024	Whole School – YouSkip – In School
17.06.2024	Whole School - National Schools Sports Week
17.06.2024	Years 3&4 – Spelling Bee at Fordbridge (3.45pm-5.15pm)
17.06.2024	Tennis Tournament – Edgbaston Priory TBC
18.06.2024	World Music Day Assembly – in school
18.06.2024	Years 5&6 – Netball League Finals at Grace Academy (3.45pm-5.30pm)
20.06.2024	Year 2 – Weston Super Mare
20.06.2024	Years 5&6 – Girls Football at John Henry Newman CC (3.45pm-5.30pm)
21.06.2024	INSET Day
24.06.2024	Year 6 – Transition Workshop (9.00am-10.00am, 10.00am-11.00am)
24.06.2024	Year 2 – Spelling Bee at Fordbridge (3.45pm-5.15pm)
25.06.2024	Year 5 – Langley Drama Project Workshop
25.06.2024	New Reception Induction Evening (4.00pm)
27.06.2024	Year 6 – Langley Maths Workshop (pm)
July 2024	Musician of the Month. James Drawn
01.07.2024	Musician of the Month – James Brown
	Years 3-6 – Times Table Session
01.07.2024 03.07.2024	Year 5 – Langley Drama Project Workshop  Reading Parent Workshop
04.07.2024	General Election – School closed to all pupils
05.07.2024	Parent Voice – CHS Community Hub (9.00am-10.00am) - everybody welcome
05.07.2024	KS2 - Borough Athletics at Tudor Grange Leisure Centre (10.00am-3.30pm)
06.07.2024	SUMMER FAYRE (SATURDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024) – EVERYONE WELCOME
w/c 08.07.2024	Sports Week
08.07.2024	Year 5 – Space Centre
08.07.2024	KS1 – Sports Day
08.07.2024	Years 5&6 – Girls Football World Cup at Bodymoor Heath (10.00am-2.30pm)
09.07.2024	EYFS – Sports Day
11.07.2024	CHS Transition Day
11.07.2024	Year 6 – Leavers' Assembly (2.00pm)
12.07.2024	KS2 – Sports Day
w/c 15.07.2024	Reading Festival Week
15.07.2024	Attendance Assembly
15.07.2024	Solihull Parent Carer Voice (9.00am)
15.07.2024	Years 3-6 – Girl Power Party at Arden Hall (1.00pm-4.00pm)
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July 2024 - continued	
16.07.2024	Attendance Reward Day
18.07.2024	Year 6 – Leavers' Disco
19.07.2024	Champion Learner and Reading Reward Assembly
19.07.2024	Reading Festival Celebration
19.07.2024	Reports out to Parents
19.07.2024	Break Up for the Summer Holidays
22.07.2024	INSET Day
02.09.2024	Academic Year 2024/2025 – Autumn Term (1) Starts

Dates correct at time of print (22.05.2024).
Information to follow regarding the above events.

#### TERM DATES - Academic School Year 2023/2024

Summer Term 2024

Half Term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Term Ends: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 (INSET Day)

**REMINDER OF INSET DAY** 

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

Bank Holiday (May Day)

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025

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

#### **TERM DATES - Academic School Year 2024/2025**

#### Autumn Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Half Term: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024 to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024

Term Ends: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Spring Term 2025

Term Starts: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Half Term: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

Term Ends: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Summer Term 2025** 

Half Term:

Term Starts: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Term Ends: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025

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



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