

Miss Fowles, Miss Budd and the staff at CHS would like to wish you a safe and happy Summer break

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027 - Term starts Tuesday 1st September 2026

Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September 2026 (CET and CHS INSET Days)

Children should be back in school on Thursday 3rd September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another successful academic year and look forward to the summer break, it has been a pleasure to witness the growth, development and achievements of our children. They have continued to flourish both academically and personally, and we are incredibly proud of all they have accomplished.



This year, we have fully embraced our enrichment and wider curriculum offer. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the diverse range of activities available, and we are delighted to have already planned an even more exciting programme of opportunities for the Autumn term.

We are also proud to have been awarded the Parentkind Award, recognising our commitment to supporting parents, carers and families and strengthening our school community.

Yesterday, we received our Key Stage 2 SATs results. These outcomes reflect the hard work, resilience and dedication of our children, alongside the commitment of our staff and the support of families. Congratulations to all of our pupils on their achievements.

We say farewell to some valued colleagues. We would like to thank Miss Hewitt for her dedication and wish her every success as she takes up a teaching position in another local authority. We also send our very best wishes to Miss Smith as she begins her maternity leave and embarks upon this exciting new chapter.

Finally, a huge thank you to the entire CHS family – our staff, parents, governors and, of course, our wonderful children, who make everything we do worthwhile. Together, we remain committed to supporting every child to be the very best they can be.

We wish everyone a safe, happy and relaxing summer break, and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September.

Miss C Budd

REMINDERS

INSET Day

Break Up – Friday 17th July 2026

INSET Day – Monday 20th July 2026

Leavers

We say goodbye to Year 6 who are moving on to different secondary schools. We wish them all the best in their new ventures, in making new friends and flourishing. We also wish children and families moving to new settings lots of happiness.



New Extra-Curricular Activities, The Den and Breakfast Club

You will be notified of **Extra-Curricular Clubs** in September.

They will start week commencing Monday 14th September 2026.

The Den (Wrap-Around Before and After School Club) and **Breakfast Club** both start on Thursday 3rd September 2026.



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REPORTING BACK

School Games Mark Award



We are delighted to announce that we, Coleshill Heath, have achieved the School Games PLATINUM Award for the 2025/26 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:

- 1st in SEND Archery
- 2nd in Year 4 Speed Stacking
- 1st in Year 4 Spelling Competition
- 2nd in Year 2 Spelling Competition
- 3rd in Year 6 Spelling Competition
- 2nd SEND Panathlon
- 4th County finals in Archery
- 3rd County finals in Speed Stacking
- 1st in SEND Ten Pin Bowling

With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

Congratulations to all involved

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A big thank you to Mr Day for making this happen and all involved in supporting sports across school and leading these events.

Black History Month 2026 – SMBC Creative Competition



Year 6 pupils worked collaboratively to create these striking sculptures celebrating influential Black footballers and their impact on the world stage, with a particular focus on the FIFA World Cup. Inspired by Pelé (Edson Arantes do Nascimento) and Bukayo Saka, the children explored how both athletes overcame challenges and adversity to achieve success at the highest level of their sport. Through their artwork, pupils have reflected on themes of resilience and determination, while recognising the significant contributions these sporting icons have made to football and Black history.



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Southfields Farm Visit - 29th June 2026

Southfields Farm visited the children in Year 1, Nursery and the Lighthouse, bringing their friendly sheep, chicken, goats and donkeys for the children to meet. Some even took them for a walk around the field. The children found out about the job of a farmer, and how difficult it can be to look after all the animals. Our children had the biggest smiles and fell in love with the wonderful animals that visited us.



Summer Fayre – 2nd July 2026

We had a wonderful Summer Fayre in the sunshine, thank you to everyone that came and supported us. The children had a fantastic time having their faces painted, winning prizes, using the inflatables and splatting the teachers! We managed to raise £1,100 which will be used in school to enhance the children's learning.



We would like to say a big thank you to yourselves and the people/ organisations (Sharp, Teacher Active, Tamworth Snow Dome) for donating prizes.

#KINDNESS

Congratulations to the winners of the summer fayre raffle:

1. Home Office Printer – Arlo (Milne)
2. Snowdome Activity Session - Delilah (First Steps)
3. Snowdome Activity Session - Melody and Octavia (Explorers & Reception)
4. Light-Up Scooter – Lexi (Curie)
5. Garden Lights Set – Adelaide (Milne)
6. Stitch Teddy – Lilly (Shakespeare)
7. Candle – Tyler (Curie)
8. Sweet Jar – Layla (Pankhurst)
9. Croc Charms – Ellie and Finley (Adventurers and Pankhurst)
10. Chocolates – Mabel (Explorers)



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Memory Café



This term, we launched our first Memory Café, where the children were able to articulate their learning to their peers. The children had lots of fun discussing the knowledge they had remembered, with a drink and a biscuit! We look forward to our next Memory Café in the Autumn Term.

Girl Power

Girl Power has been delivered successfully again this year, inspiring some of our girls to be more confident and deliver activities in the role of leaders for younger pupils. They recently attended a festival at North Solihull Sports Centre and graduation at Arden Hall, both of which were also celebrated in assembly. We are very proud of the girls who have taken part.

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"Girl Power has helped boost my confidence and inspired me to be more active. I've been a GP leader twice and both times have been amazing. We did warm-ups, played games and even when it rained, we did inspirational colouring pictures and other activities inside. My favourite game that I led on was The Card Game (which was so much fun) as everyone participated and loved it. Thank you, Coleshill Heath, for giving me the opportunity."

Layla (Year 6)

"Girl Power has inspired me to become more active and made me more motivated to achieve my dreams in football. I have experience of being a participant in Year 4 and now a leader in Year 6 and it was a very big responsibility. We played games such as archery, table tennis, basketball and much, much more. I have grown so much in confidence, and this will help for my journey to secondary school. I am sad to be leaving this experience behind. Thank you for letting me be part of this fantastic opportunity."

Tia (Year 6)

Annie

Some of our Year 5 children, along with three other schools, had the joy of presenting a performance of the musical Annie at Langley School.

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PARENT INFORMATION**Breakfast Club****Breakfast club - changes from September:**

- Children admitted promptly at 8.10am via the main office entrance.
- Breakfast club register closes 8.20am [**no latecomers will be admitted**]
- From arrival, children will enjoy a healthy breakfast and move to the hall space for a planned activity.

- 8.30am – support staff join children to supervise and organise classes ready to walk to their classrooms at 8.45am
- 8.50 – Bell 1 rings [Children supervised by support staff while Teacher collects main class from the playground allocated area.]
- 8.55am REGISTRATION

Parents were informed and should have registered their child and paid - no form and payment = no entrance!

The Den**(Before and After School Club)**

Coleshill Heath offer wraparound childcare for school aged children in Reception - Year 6.

Open daily from 7.30am until 5.15pm during term time - all sessions are chargeable

If you would like to book a place for your child to attend 'The Den' booking forms must be completed. Places are limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis. For more information regarding sessions available and cost, please enquire at the school office.

REMINDER: Two important compulsory changes to our school procedures from September 2026

Mobile phones - Following new government guidance regarding mobile phones in schools, children will **not be permitted to bring mobile phones onto the school site.**

School Bags - We ask that children do not bring backpacks or large bags into school unless there are exceptional circumstances that have been agreed with the school. Children should bring the book bag provided to school each day as it will provide sufficient space for books, homework and letters.

Thank you for your support and understanding as we implement this new government guidance and school procedure.

School Meals when your child moves from Year 2 to Year 3

As your child moves up to Year 3 in September this year, they will no longer be entitled to a Free School Meal under the 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' scheme, which provides all children from Reception to Year 2 with a free school meal. Therefore, if you would like us to continue to provide your child with school meals from September, then there will be a charge for this of £3.00 per day, unless your child is eligible for free school meals due to your household circumstances. This is payable in advance.

To find out if your child is entitled to free school meals, then please apply via: www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm School will be informed of the outcome of your application. Alternatively, you may provide your child with a packed lunch from home.

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. Please discuss if you are in need.



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Arriving at School after 10.30am

If your child will be arriving at school after 10.30am, and requires a school dinner, please call the school office to order this before 10.30 am. Otherwise, they will only be able to have a sandwich. Thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

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 now using Arbor. 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 Arbor, we also use Class Dojo for communicating with parents. In September we will be moving to Arbor for payments rather than ParentPay.

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.

ACTION: Please ensure that all your child's details, as well as emergency contacts etc, are checked and updated on a regular basis, via ARBOR. You can access the portal via the email that you should have received and, once you have accessed the portal and logged-in for the first time, please also download the ARBOR app, which will allow you to receive notifications. (Please see the school office if you have not received the email or have a problem with this, thank you).

CONCERNS – SAFETY AND CONSIDERATION OF PARKING/ENTRANCE ACCESS

How would you feel if you knocked over a child and put them in hospital?

Actions you need to take:

- **Reduce your speed** in and around the school site. The speed limit is 5mph on school property. Be observant when reversing and when driving through the walkway at each entrance.
- **Park legally, and with consideration to residents and others** leaving access to the school and residents' driveways free. Do not park over the public pathway on Berwicks Lane going into Beech Avenue. There are elderly/disabled persons who live in the area and this stops them gaining access to drop kerbs. Please think what would happen if an emergency vehicle cannot reach a person in need.
- **Keep music and noise down** as some residents work shifts so may be trying to sleep. No not drop litter.
- Do not park under the barrier or on the curved part of the front entrance, delivery vehicles need to have access and this causes a safety hazard. If you park in this way and your vehicle is damaged the school is not responsible.
- Ideally, park away from the school site and walk in, this will ease congestion.
- Situations have occurred where parents, staff and residents have been verbally abused and threatened. This will not be tolerated and will be reported to the police and CCTV footage handed over. **Please be respectful.**



We all have a responsibility, and nothing comes before the safety and well-being of the children and school community. Please help us to be a safe and happy community, give a bit of thought and show respect and kindness to others, but more importantly **think of the lives and safety of young innocent children.**

Thank you for your support in this matter.



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Unwanted Good Quality Uniform

School 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, Mansuri Schoolwear or Ian Smith Education Group**. Please see details below or go to our website under **Parents/Uniform at CHS**



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

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)



Ian Smith Group – visit the Coleshill Heath School Uniform ordering website

www.coleshilluniform.deco-apparel.com Any questions please call Tel: 03330 143643.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Solihull MBC Events/Information/Advice

If you require information or advice relating to childcare, activities or support services, early education funded places (including the new childcare expansion scheme) or free school meals, please visit

www.solihull.gov.uk/familyinfo for further details or

contact the Family Information Service helpline on 0800 389 8667 or email familyinfo@solihull.gov.uk



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Summer Reading Challenge 2026



This summer, children are invited to take part in the brilliant Summer Reading Challenge: Read to the Beat! This year's musical theme celebrates the connection between stories, songs, rhythm and creativity. Children can read books of their choice, discover new authors and keep their reading skills strong throughout the summer holidays.

The challenge is completely free and is open to children aged 4-11. Children can take part through their local library or join the online challenge, where they can log books they have read and unlock digital rewards. Those taking part through a library may also be able to collect stickers, certificates and other rewards.

Visit the Summer Reading Challenge website to find out more and get involved:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

In Solihull the challenge starts on 11th July and runs through the summer holidays.

We would love as many of our children as possible to take part. Please share photographs, certificates or updates with us on Dojo so that we can celebrate your fantastic summer reading!

Activities during the Summer Holidays



Tel: 07985607421
www.fitkidszone.co.uk/
clubs



Tel: 07886271954
info@sportymindscic.com



For swimming and many more activities
www.everyoneactive.com/



visit
[solihull.cycleready.co.uk/](http://solihull.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking)
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Please have a look at information about days out/free days out and other activities and also dining out.
[@our_midlands_adventures](https://www.facebook.com/our_midlands_adventures)



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TERM DATES – SMBC Academic School Year 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026

Term Starts: Tuesday 1st September 2026 (INSET – 1st and 2nd September 2026)
Half Term: Monday 26th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026 (INSET - 2nd November 2026)
Term Ends: Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

Term Starts: Monday 4th January 2027 (INSET - 4th January 2027)
Half Term: Monday 15th February 2027 to Friday 19th February 2027
Term Ends: Thursday 25th March 2027

Summer Term 2027

Term Starts: Monday 12th April 2027 (INSET - 12th April 2027)
(May Day: Monday 3rd May 2027)
Half Term: Monday 31st May 2027 to Friday 4th June 2027
Term Ends: Wednesday 21st July 2027

INSET Days

Tuesday 1st September 2026 (MAT)
Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Monday 2nd November 2026
Monday 4th January 2027
Monday 12th April 2027

Bank Holiday (May Day)

Monday 3rd May 2027

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



Dates for your Diary
Autumn Term (1) – September/October 2026

September 2026		
01.09.2026	-	Start of Autumn Term (1)
01.09.2026	-	INSET Day - CET
02.09.2026	-	INSET Day
03.09.2026	-	Reception Intake Group 1
04.09.2026	-	Reception Intake Group 2
07.09.2026	-	New Nursery Intake Settling In
07.09.2026	-	Reception Parents - Tea and Toast (9.00am) the Hub
08.09.2026	-	New Nursery Intake Settling In
11.09.2026	-	Parent Voice (9.30am)
14.09.2026	-	Autumn Term Clubs begin
14.09.2026	-	TT Rockstar Launch Day
15.09.2026	-	Year 3 – Weston-Super-Mare Trip
15.09.2026	-	Year 4 – Times table Parent Workshop (9.00am & 3.00pm)
16.09.2026	-	School Photographer
17.09.2026	-	Reception Parents' Meeting - RWI (9.00am and 3.00pm) in the hall
21.09.2026	-	Year 5 – Bikeability (9.00am-10.30am/11.00am-12.30pm) level 1 & 2 combined
21.09.2026	-	Year 4 – Bikeability (1.30pm-3.00pm)
22.09.2026	-	Year 5 – Bikeability (9.00am-10.30am/11.00am-12.30pm) level 1 & 2 combined
22.09.2026	-	Year 4 – Bikeability (1.30pm-3.00pm)
22.09.2026	-	Reception – Height and Weight (am)
22.09.2026	-	Year 6 – Height and Weight (pm)
23.09.2026	-	Year 5 – Bikeability (9.00am-10.30am/11.00am-12.30pm) level 1 & 2 combined
23.09.2026	-	Year 4 – Bikeability (1.30pm-3.00pm)
24.09.2026	-	Year 5 – Bikeability (9.00am-10.30am/11.00am-12.30pm) level 1 & 2 combined
24.09.2026	-	Year 4 – Bikeability (1.30pm-3.00pm)
28.09.2026	-	CHS Culture Day – Sukkot - Judaism
29.09.2026	-	Year 5 – Harvest Assembly (2.30pm)
October 2026		
		Black History Month
01.10.2026	-	National Poetry Day
01.10.2026	-	Reception Parents' Meeting - RWI (9.00am and 3.00pm) in the hall
05.10.2026	-	Years 3-6 – TT Rockstar Battle
05.10.2026	-	Black History Month Assembly
09.10.2026	-	"Hello Yellow" Day - World Mental Health Day
09.10.2026	-	Parent Voice (9.30am)
12.10.2026	-	Reception Open Day
16.10.2026	-	"Show Racism the Red Card" Day
19.10.2026	-	Nursery Open Day
19.10.2026- 23.10.2026	-	Parent Consultations (19.10.2026-23.10.2026) Reports handed out
23.10.2026	-	Break Up for Half Term
Half Term - Monday 26th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026		
November 2026		
02.11.2026	-	Start of Autumn Term (2) INSET DAY

Dates correct at time of print (14.07.2026)

Information to follow regarding the above events

If children are receiving an award, parents will be sent a text



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