Newsletter: 9th June 2023

Class Visits

Reception - Cotswold Wildlife Park **July 6th**

Year 1/2 - Berkeley Castle **June 26th**

Years 3/4 - Chedworth Roman Villa **July 14th**

Year 6 Windsor Castle - paid for by the class
Enterprise Project
June 29th

Year 5 have already visited Cadbury World. We have held the preliminary Residential meeting and being mindful of keeping down costs for Year 5 parents needing to pay deposits.

Dear Parents

Welcome to the summer term. It is lovely to start the week with such lovely weather. This means the children can now play on the field and we can hope that events planned such as Sport's Day will go ahead without issues. We also have lots of school trips planned. These are ways we can really enhance our teaching in the school and have all been purposefully chosen with the learning intent in mind. I know you will appreciate how we have tried really hard to be conscious of the costs involved. We have kept trips local as much as possible and are very grateful to our FRIENDS for contributing £3 towards the costs. Thank you for your support in paying your parental contribution ensuring these trips can go ahead.

Staffing for September 2023

We are sad to share with you that Ms Banner is leaving her role at Castle Hill. She has been such a valuable asset to our team and especially loved by families with children that have special educational needs. Her passion and care has been invaluable in helping us obtain external support in addition to what we are able to provide in school. She will be greatly missed.

As you will recognise this is not only a key role in school but also a very demanding role. We are delighted to share with you that we have been able to make an excellent appointment and Mr Richard Pollard will be joining us in September. Mr Pollard is highly regarded in the County. He comes with a wealth of experience

We know you will help us make him very welcome. We are planning to host a drop in session in September to give you the opportunity to meet him.

working in and alongside schools and families for many years.



Congratulations to Hollie from Year 6 for completing the 10k Race for Life!

What a superb achievement.
Well done!

Science Week - 'Making Connections'

This week, we have been promoting Science in school. This has been planned to coincide with Cheltenham Science Week. I hope some of you will be able to attend some of these events over the weekend. Please do look at their programme. There are lots of exciting activities your child will enjoy and this might be a fun way of engaging your family. We were fortunate

to have two workshops provided by the festival.



These were very informative and gave an outside perspective around some of the issues important to us and the sustainability of our planet.

Throughout the week, we have been highlighting Science in different ways. Our assemblies have been focussed on what is Chemistry, Physics and Biology.

Today, our school became an interactive Science Exploratory. All children moved around the school participating in different workshops throughout the day.

New School Day

Having consulted with Parents, staff and Governors, I am informing you that from September we will be adjusting our school day for every pupil.

Breakfast Club 8am at start of day
KS1 8.50am-3.15pm
KS2 8.45am- 3.15pm
The Keep 3.15pm- 5.15pm

Hopefully, with this notice you will be able to ensure your child is in school, on time, every day.



School Photos

We are delighted with the class photos have

now been shared with us. They are a lasting memory for you and your child to remember their primary school experience.

School photos have been sent home this week. Please be aware that the school is accepting no cash or payments and in order to obtain your photos, please contact Tracey or Julia at Freedom Photography for orders.

All information is on letter sent home.



Attendance

Please continue to respect the importance of being in school everyday. It is crucial for your child benefits from progressing through the work planned. For safeguarding reasons it is important that you notify the office of any medical appointments and provide a copy of the appointment for our records.

This will be much appreciated.

Friends of Castle Hill present...

FRIDAY 23RDJUNE

KS1 1600-1700- TICKETS £4(INC SWEET BAG AND GLO STICK. NO

TUCK MONEY NEEDED)

KS2 1715-1830 - TICKETS £3.50
IN ADVANCE, £4 ON DOOR. TUCK
SHOP AND GLO ITEMS ON SALE

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN KS2
PLAYGROUND FROM 19TH JUNE

Dates for Summer Term

Tuesday 27th June

Sports Day - Picnic on the field at 12.00pm

Wednesday 28th June

Sports Day Reserve

Thursday 6th July

2.30pm Music Concert for Years 4/5 Parents
Year 4 will show their work with Glockenspiels and also be able to see Year
5 perform with clarinets in preparation for their turn next year.

Friday 7th July
PAWS in

Thursday 20th July

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and Party

Friday 21st July - Term ends 2pm

<u>Big Write</u> "Investigate it"

We are hoping your child has been inspired by all the Science work we have undertaken at school this week as well as the PAWS science activities you will have completed at home.

Please use these for inspiration to talk to your children about their writing for this week.

Year 4 Maths Challenge

Well done for all your times tables practice. Lots of you have been successful trying to beat the teacher! Please continue to focus on the facts that you still need to learn. We know you can remember them all!

We are always looking for new volunteers in school!

Reading volunteers, gardening volunteers, volunteers who can help with special projects in classes and any other volunteering relating to skills you may have and would like to share. With budgets being so very tight in schools, every minute of volunteering time makes a huge difference. If you have a little time spare and wish to come and volunteer in school, please make contact with our School Business Manager (Jo) in the office who will happily help to get your volunteering adventure started at Castle Hill Primary.