Newsletter: 16th June 2023

This week, the school has worked alongside the Local Authority to ensure they agree with the judgements we are making for Reading, Writing and Maths. This is a process that happens every four years that validates our teaching and assessment. Miss Sugden did an excellent job as she talked through her teaching and assessment of year 2 and all judgements she had made were verified.

Dear Parents

The children have coped brilliantly in this extreme heat. We have kept them cool by playing in the shade and plenty of water.

This has been especially important because Year 1 have had to complete their phonics screening and Year 4 their multiplication tables check. Both year groups were very capable and rose to the occasion because of their strong subject knowledge. Well done.

School Dinners / Breakfast Club Debts

As you know, school budgets are stretched to breaking point at present. With this in mind, we would politely remind parents that ParentPay cannot be used as a credit facility for school dinners and breakfast club. With immediate effect, we would kindly ask parents to ensure that their children's ParentPay dinner and/or breakfast club is kept at a £0 or in credit at all times. If your circumstances have changed and you are unable to pay any current debt, please make contact with our School Business Manager (Mrs. Mabbutt) to discuss.

Forest School

This is such an important part in our curriculum. We have many wonderful creative adventures and opportunities to consider risks in a safe environment. Please do look at the website for photos that capture the passion our children share for learning outdoors.



Science Day Reflection by Harry, Year 2

On Friday, we had an an amazing extraordinary science day. Firstly, we made speedy balloon rockets tied to a straw. When I set mine off it flew speedily off the straw! Next, we did lung capacity and I emptied the whole water bottle and a half on the tray! Thirdly, we tested what can sink or float. When intelligent Isaac made a raft of playdough it carefully floated above the rushing reflective water. Then, excitingly we made Lego boats and put weights on them to see if they sank or floated. I loved that experiment because I like getting wet!

After that, we experimented on our fast heart rate and I did not like it because I don't enjoy running! Firstly, we walked around the track. Then we jumped up and down on the spot. Finally, we ran round the track. We had timers too.

Finally, we went to the Year 1 classroom and made a sticky watery object. It went everywhere so we had lots of cleaning up! I want to know how to make elephant toothpaste because I know it makes a chemical reaction.



Dates for Summer Term

Friday 23rd June

School Disco KS1 4pm-5pm/KS2 5.15pm-6.30pm

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

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.

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