



The BROADCAST'

Newsletter 2: 15th September 2023

Club Information

Monday-Gymnastic Club-external provider-Severn Valley Gym Club

Woodwork club- Focus group

Tuesday-Dance Club-KS1/KS2

Yoga- School day-KS1/2- Focus group

Book Club- Lunchtime Focus group

Cross Country-Yrs 3-6

Wednesday- Young Voices-Yr 5/6

Girls Football League

Thursday-Boys Football League

First Aid Club-Year 3

Kickboxing-external provider

Different opportunities will become available throughout the year.

Dear Parents

We have had a great week in school and the children have all settled into their new classes. Mr Pollard has had an opportunity to meet with parents and staff. He will now have time to get into classes and work alongside the children to further understand their needs.

Please ensure you take time to hear your child read everyday. It makes a real difference to their progress and confidence in school. We encourage you too, to talk through the topic your child is studying. You will be able to go to our school website to find out more about the content they will be covering.

Reception:Rhythm and Rhyme

Year 1/2:Jurassic Forest

Year 3/4: Extreme Environments

Year 5/6:Tomb Raiders

FRIENDS

I have met with the FRIENDS this week. Our FRIENDS organise and run events throughout the year to bring our community together. They also help us raise money for the school so that we can provide additional special extras to your child's experience in school.

Catherine Bell (Mother of Alex in Year 5) and Lee (Mother of Lincoln in Year 3) are joint Chair this year.

Jen (Mother of Jackson in Year 5) is Secretary.

I was so excited to share their enthusiasm for the year ahead. They have lots of new fresh ideas as well as maintaining some of the activities everyone has enjoyed before. I will be sharing their calendar in this newsletter so that you can join in the fun and get to know other parents. They are always grateful of more help.

FRIENDS SOCIAL CALENDAR

Autumn TERM 2023

Thursday 26th October - Monster Ball

★ KS1 4.15pm-5.15pm

★ KS2 5.30pm-6.30pm

(Wear Halloween Fancy Dress)

December:

★ Christmas Baubles

★ Coding Competition

Friday 8th December - Christmas Fayre

Attendance

Please continue to respect the importance of being in school everyday. It is crucial so your child doesn't miss the instructions at the beginning of the lesson. 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.

Football League - We are proud of how smart our boys look in their new football kit. Thank you, Mr Mason for sponsoring our team. Our first tournament - we won 2 games and drew one. Well done squad!



Revised new school day

Thank you for helping us to evaluate the revision to the length of our school day. The children have responded well especially Key Stage 2 enjoying a more relaxed lunchtime with more opportunity for social interaction and play. We have trained Play Ambassadors who are organising and running stations to encourage all of our children to be active.

We have listened to parents about the timings of our new school day. We want to make a few tweaks in response to this to provide a smoother transition for you all. We realise two bells in the morning was quite confusing, especially for KS1.

Revised timings beginning Monday 18th September

8.40am - gates open

8.45am - single bell rings to signify start of the day for everybody.

KS1 collected from playground by teacher

KS2 into classroom

3.10pm - end of day for KS1 - Children who go to The Keep will be supervised until 3.15pm

3.15pm - end of day for KS2

Dates for Autumn Term

Saturday 16th September - Grammar School Test- Good luck!

Tuesday 19th September-9.00am- Yr2/3 parents invited to join the class to find out more about reading.

Thursday 21st September-9.00am- Year 1 parents invited to join the class to find out more about reading.

Wednesday 27th September-6pm-Secondary Transfer Information Evening-Open to Year 5/6 parents.

Tuesday 10th October- Bedtime Story Event for Year 2 and 3 at 5-6pm

Wednesday 11th October- Harvest Festival- 9.00am Year 6 parents invited

Wednesday 11th October- 11am-12pm Reception Parents Coffee Morning

Wednesday 18th October-4pm-7pm Parents' Evening-Online

Thursday 19th October- 3.20pm-6pm Parents' Evening 3.20pm-6pm

Friday 27th October-INSET Day -Staff only

MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER-FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER -HALF TERM

Monday 6th November-INSET Day- Staff only

Tuesday 7th November- school starts

Wednesday 22nd November- 1.30pm-2.30pm Open afternoon for new Reception 2024

Wednesday 29th November- 2.30pm-3.30pm- Work celebration Event for all existing parents to come and see their child's work.

Friday 8th December- Nativity and Christmas Fayre (Revised date)

Friday 15th December- PAWS in

Friday 15th December-Year 6 trip to House of Parliament

Thursday 21st December-Term finishes at 2pm

Big Write

This week the title is

A New World

Please take the time to talk to your child about their ideas so that they feel prepared to write on Monday. Think about their experiences they have had that they could use in their writing. We all write better if it is something we have experienced ourselves.

They will be interested to hear your thoughts and views too. It will help them consider their own and value that different people can have different opinions about the same experience.

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, Mrs Mabbett, in the office who will happily help to get your volunteering adventure started at Castle Hill Primary.

News from The Friends

This year we're helping to raise funds by participating in a...

design-your-own Christmas card project

The Christmas cards come in a pack of 12 for a great price, and you will also be able to buy gift labels, mugs, magnets, thank you cards, candles and placemats with your designs on!

Help us raise extra funds this year while having fun and creating something you can be proud of!



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News from The Friends



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WE NEED
YOU!

When : 22nd September 6pm

Where : The Twelve Bells, Witcombe

Why : To meet the new committee, find out about our plans for the year and vote in class ambassadors

We would really like to have a parent/guardian ambassador for every year group (especially year 6 to help to plan their leavers prom).

If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to be an ambassador, please email friendsofcastlehill@gmail.com or send us a message on our Facebook page.