

Castle Hill News



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school!

I hope you have all enjoyed some family time together over the summer and that the children are excited about the new school year ahead.

I am delighted to be writing my first newsletter as Acting Headteacher of Castle Hill and am very much looking forward to working with you all over the coming academic year.

Thank you

I would like to begin by extending a huge thank you to Mrs. Broadhurst and acknowledging all the hard work that she has done leading this fantastic school. She had been headteacher here for almost 16 years before stepping down from the role in July. In that time, she has kept our school moving forward and has been passionate in her pursuit of improving outcomes for all children. I am very grateful to her for all her support in this new role and hope that I can continue to build on her legacy.

Welcome

I would like to extend a warm Castle Hill welcome to all our new pupils and families. Reception children started school on Wednesday and are settling in beautifully already.

I would also like to extend a warm Castle Hill welcome to our new and returning members of staff.

Miss Smith will be teaching in Year 1 and Mr. Bowers will be teaching in Year 2. Mr. Bowers is also our new KS1 lead.

Mrs. Bradford is our new INCO and there will be opportunities for parents whose children are on the SEND register to meet her in the week beginning 9th September (by invitation only).

Finally, I am thrilled to welcome back Ms. Banner to our school in her new role as pastoral lead.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Sugden who became Mrs. Jones over the summer holidays.

Also, congratulations to Ms. Blunn who surprised us all by becoming Mrs. Dancey over the summer too!

We wish you both all the very best for the future.

Key dates for your diary

This month sees our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. Please check out the dates section below to check which dates are relevant to you.

These informal drop in sessions provide an opportunity for parents/carers to meet their child's new teacher and to see the new classroom that their child will be working in.

If you have children in different classes, you are very welcome to split your time between classrooms.

Parents' Evenings are coming up in October and we will once again be offering a combination of face to face and online appointments. Bookings will be open nearer the time.

Important Information

Every year we ask you to complete the following paperwork so that our records are up to date.

- Data Information Sheet
- Permission Sheet
- Medical Form

Your child has been given paper copies so that they can be completed, signed and returned to school as soon as possible. Please remember that it is vital that you keep us informed of changes to contact telephone numbers. We need to get hold of you if there is an emergency. Please return all forms by September 13th 2024.

After school clubs/extra-curricular activities - Autumn 2024

The Keep is our after school provision. It is open from 3.10 - 5.15pm. For bookings, please go to thekeep.kidsclub.hq.co.uk. For more information please contact Mrs. Ward. thekeep@virginmedia.com

Mondays: First Aid club: Y3 only (Mrs. Ward)

External provider Severn Valley Gymnastics. Currently fully booked.

KS1 Y1/2 Football Club 3.10-4.15pm (Mr Bowers)

Kickboxing (external provider) 5pm onwards

Tuesday: KS1 dance club 3.10 - 4.00pm (Mrs. Hending)

KS2 dance club 4.10-5.00pm (Mrs. Hending)

Wednesday: Young Voices choir Y5/6 - lunchtime (Mrs. Ward)

KS2 football girls' football league matches- dates TBC

(Mr. Enon/ Mrs. Gibbs)

Thursday: KS2 football boys' football league matches- dates TBC

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