



# Castle Hill News: 11.04.25

Dear Parents,

Our children have worked very hard all term and are ready for their well-earned Easter break.

## Staffing news

It is with some sadness that we said farewell to Mrs. Jones this afternoon. She has been part of the Castle Hill family and we will miss her, but wish her lots of luck as she moves on to her next adventure.

I am delighted to announce that Mrs. Bradford, our SENCO, will be Acting Deputy Head next term. She is a highly experienced teacher who joined the team in September and has proven to be a huge asset to our leadership team.

## Football

I am absolutely delighted to be able to round off this year's football season with some great news!

On Saturday, the 'A' team played in the 'GPFSA Small Schools' Plate Cup' final at Longlevens Junior School against Huntsgrove and claimed the title of champions with a 2-0 win. Well done to all the team for playing so brilliantly and to Will and Cammari for a couple of great goals with assists from Theo and Oscar. Also, congratulations to our goalkeeper, Jackson, for keeping another clean sheet.



All the staff are thrilled that your hard work, talent, team-work and dedication have paid off. A huge thank you to Mr. Enon and Mrs. Gibbs for their work and commitment throughout the season and for giving up their Saturday to make this happen for our pupils.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION: RECEPTION PARENTS

As we enter the Summer Term, as part of the transition process, Reception children will be lining up in the playground outside their classroom when the bell rings at 8.45am. Mrs. Boulter will come out and collect them and Mrs. Houlston or Mrs. Warren will be in the classroom to greet them.

### Playground gates

Just a reminder that, in the mornings and afternoons, playground gates are promptly locked just after the bell has rung for safeguarding purposes. Please see your child's teacher at the end of the day if you have something non-urgent to discuss. Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.

### Bikeability

Bikeability finished for Reception children this week and it has been a huge success with all our Reception children gaining new skills and many now being able to ride a bike without stabilisers. Well done everyone!

### Litter picking

Over the Easter holidays, Mrs. Rigby, one of our governors and nanna of Louis in Year 4, is leading a litter-picking event in the community - please see the attached poster for dates and times.

On that note, I would like to say thank you to Winnie and Freya in Y3 who showed great citizenship skills by taking it upon themselves to conduct their own litter pick on the Key Stage 2 playground this week. Thank you both.

### Easter Egg competition

Wow! We have had over 80 entries with a multitude of themes such as: Star Wars, Minecraft, Pokemon, animals, ice-creams and Harry Potter. We were all so impressed by the creativity and care taken over each entry.



### [Reception trip to Multit-skills](#)

Yesterday, Reception class went on their first school trip by coach to a multi-skills event. They had a brilliant time and were great at listening to instructions and joining in with all the activities.

### [Parents' Evening feedback](#)

Thank you to those parents who have completed feedback about the parents' evening booking system. The feedback we have received clearly shows a preference for in-person appointments with 82% of parents, who have responded, stating they would prefer this to an online appointment. This is a significant shift from the initial post-Covid period and we will take these views into account when planning for the next academic year.

### [Message from the admin team](#)

Mrs. Sharma is trying to ensure that we move to a more paperless communication system as far as possible. She has asked if parents can ensure they check their emails carefully as sometimes they contain links to forms.

### [Clubs for Summer Term](#)

Mondays – Severn Valley Gymnastics – FULL

Tuesdays – Dance Club – KS1 + KS2 – Mrs. Hending

Wednesdays – Netball Club – Y3 – Mrs. Gibbs

Wednesdays – Multi-sports club – Y4 – Follow My Lead

Thursdays – Art Club – Reception and KS1 – Mrs. Ward

Thursdays – Football – Y4/5/6 – Sports Active - FULL

### [Big Write](#)

The first Big Write after Easter will be '**My Holidays**'.

### [Reminder for warmer weather](#)

Please remember to send your child with a sunhat, suncream and water bottle as the weather gets warmer (hopefully!) next term.

### [Key upcoming dates](#)

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Summer Term begins**

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Swimming gala practice (by invitation only)**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Y4 swimming lessons begin (packed lunch required)**

Have a very happy Easter and we look forward to seeing you back at school on the 28<sup>th</sup> April.

Mrs. Ettrick