



Castle Hill News: 6.06.25

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the last half-term of this academic year. It will be a busy one for the children with events such as school trips, Sports Day, Castle Hill Fest, Y5 camping and transition days to new classes and new schools for our Year 6 pupils. It is also a very important time in terms of both internal and external end of year assessments. Year 1 will be undertaking their phonic screening check next week and Year 4 will be undertaking their multiplication tables check over the next 2 weeks.

Staffing news

We have been very proud of our Year 4 children this week as they settle in to a new routine with new teachers. Mrs. King and Mrs. Ward have both been very impressed with their behavior and attitude to their work.

We will update you as soon as we have any baby news from Miss Baldwin!

Sports Day – Tuesday 17th June:

Important information:

All children to come to school in their PE kit for the day on Tuesday 17th June ready for Sports Day preferably in a T-shirt the colour of their house. Please ensure your child has a hat, water bottle and is wearing suncream.

Hot school dinners on Sports' Day will either be sausage and chips or veggie sausage and chips only.

The weather forecast is currently looking good, but if we had to cancel the event due to poor weather we will notify you as soon as possible.

Morning activities

On the morning of Sports Day, the children will participate in a range of sporting activities or tasks where they can build up points for their house team just by taking part.

Picnic

You are warmly invited to join your children for a picnic on the field from 12pm onwards. Children will return to the playground with the lunchtime supervisors when they have eaten and are ready to go and play as children will be expected to sit with their families during the picnic session. All children will be collected by 1pm as they will need to prepare for the afternoon races. Please do not worry if you are unable to attend as staff will have lunch with your children under the gazebos on the field.

[Races](#)

The races will begin at approximately 1.15pm. All classes compete in a 'flat' running race and then some form of house team novelty, obstacle or relay race. There will also be a chance for toddlers, mums and dads to join in with their own races at the end too before the presentation of the cup to the winning team!

Please note that the children will be sitting under gazebos on one side of the tracks and we ask that parents remain on their side of the tracks to help us keep the children safe and settled. Thank you.

[Bikeability](#)

Y6 enjoyed 2 days of 'Bikeability' this week and learnt how to cycle safely on the roads. We hope they take this learning fully on board when using their bikes out and about.

[Team building trip to Robinswood](#)

On Wednesday, some of our Reception and Year 1 and 2 pupils attended a team building event run by Gloucester Schools Sports Network at Robinswood Hill Country Park. Thank you to all the parents who stayed to support the event.



[Osborne Trust Footie Fun Day – Friday 27th June](#)

We are delighted to be supporting this charity this term. You have been emailed directly with more details about this event. A huge thankyou to the Lormor family for all their support.

[STEM resources donation](#)

A huge thankyou to Invista Textiles who have kindly donated £500 of STEM resources to us. These items will help us to be able to further develop our Design and Technology offering to our pupils as we can use all of these tools to safely cut up and put together recycled cardboard to create models, sculptures and other interesting designs. THANK YOU INVISTA!



[Big Write](#)

Next week's Big Write title is:

The House on top of a Dragon



[FRIENDS QUIZ: Friday 20th June](#)

Following the success of the last event, the FRIENDS quiz is back! Please see the poster sent via email and come along and join in the fun.

Clubs for Summer 2

Mondays – Severn Valley Gymnastics – FULL

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

-Games club – KS2 – Mrs. Dancey

- Prince of Wales practice (only until 24th June) selected pupils Y2 – Y6

Mr. Enon and Mrs. Gibbs

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

Thursdays – Art Club – Group 2 – Mrs. Ward

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

Thursdays – Fine motor skills club – Reception/Y1/Y2 – by invitation only –

Miss Smith and Mrs. Warren

Key dates for next week

Monday 9th June – Phonics screening check for Y1 pupils begins

Monday 9th June – Multiplication Tables check for Y4 pupils begins

Monday 9th June – Y6 swimming for all begins

Tuesday 10th April – Y1/Y2 trip to Berkeley Castle

Key upcoming dates

Tuesday 17th June – Sports Day – picnic on the field from 12pm; races begin at 1.15pm

Monday 23rd June – Y6 trip to Legoland

Wednesday 25th June – Reception trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

Friday 27th June – Charity football fun day in aid of The Osborne Trust (see separate letter)

Thursday 3rd July – Y1 multi-skills event

Thursday 3rd July – Y5 camping

Friday 4th July – PAWS due in

Friday 4th July – Castle Hill Fest – 3pm onwards – ALL WELCOME

Thursday 10th July – Transition day – children spend the day in their new class

Wednesday 16th July – Y6 Leavers' Party – 3.15 – 5pm – Y6 pupils and staff only

Thursday 17th July – Y6 Leavers' Assembly – 9am

Friday 11th July – End of year reports home to parents

Friday 17th July – TERM ENDS @ 2pm

Have a fabulous weekend.

Mrs. Ettrick