



## Castle Hill News: 05.09.25

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a good summer and enjoyed lots of that lovely sunshine. It is so lovely to have our pupils back in school with us. We would like to say a special welcome to our new Reception children who started school yesterday. I can't believe how quickly they have settled in. I would also like to say welcome to our two new teachers – Mr. Telford in Year 4 and Mrs. Davidson in Year 6 as well as our new caretaker Mr. Beckwith.

Keep an eye out for key dates for your child's year group. We are looking forward to working together for a really happy and successful term.

### Meet The Teacher – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September

One of our first key dates for the year, is 'Meet The Teacher'. This is an informal drop-in session where you may pop in to your child's classroom anytime between 2.45pm and 3.15pm. If you have more than one child, you will be able to move between classrooms. The class teachers look forward to welcoming you.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Please note, in the interests of safeguarding, mobile phones must not be used on the school premises.

Children will need to stay in their own classrooms and may be collected as usual at 3.15pm from the playgrounds.

Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate prams or pushchairs in the building.

### Fundraising

Last term, we held an extremely successful charity event to raise funds for the Osborne Charity Trust. I am delighted to tell you that we raised a grand total of £1,054.99.

A huge thank you to the Lormor family who generously match funded this total (and rounded it up!) donating £1,100 to the FRIENDS of Castle Hill Primary School. This is incredibly generous and will benefit all our pupils.

### FRIENDS AGM – October 1<sup>st</sup> 6pm

A message from the FRIENDS who would like to invite any parents to join them at their AGM on 1<sup>st</sup> October at 6pm. This will take place in the school hall. Please come to the school office. We would love you to get involved and help to raise funds for your child's school whilst being part of a community.

## Summer of Sport

This summer, some of our pupils have achieved some real sporting success!

### **TENNIS:**

Nina, Year 3, played in the Gloucestershire Tennis County Championships for U8s and came away with the trophy! Congratulations on a fantastic win.

James, Year 1, came an incredible third place in the same tournament.

Equally impressive, is that they showed great sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

We are incredibly proud of you both – well done.



### **CRICKET:**

Some of our pupils who play for Witcombe Cricket Club also achieved great success over the summer.

Henry, Year 3, plays for the U9s & won 'batter of the season'.

William, Joe & Rithvik, Year 5, all play for the U11s and won the U11s intermediate and development league.

Congratulations to them all!



[Y5/6 Parents – Secondary Transfer Meeting – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 6pm](#)

You are warmly invited to attend our session on secondary transfer where you will be given key information regarding applications to secondary school for September 2026. Year 5 parents are included in this invitation in order to give them plenty of time to consider the options for their child including entering the grammar school exam.

[Big Write Title](#)

The Big Write title for Monday is 'My New Class'.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs. Ettrick

## Autumn Term 2025 – Extra-curricular activities

### Monday:

- Severn Valley Gymnastics **3.15-4.15pm**  
(External provider – all ages - **currently full**; contact them directly for a place on the waiting list)
- Follow My Lead Forest School **3.15-4.15pm**  
(External provider – Years 2/4/6) Begins 15<sup>th</sup> September and ends on 24<sup>th</sup> November. 16 places available. A Google form will be sent out next week.
- Young Voices **3.15-4.15pm** – Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Hending (Y5/6) Begins 8<sup>th</sup> September and ends on 1st December.

### Tuesday:

- Dance Club KS1 – Mrs. Hending **3.15 – 4pm**  
Begins 9<sup>th</sup> September and ends on 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Dance Club KS2 – Mrs. Hending **4.15-5pm**  
Begins 9<sup>th</sup> September and ends on 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Board Games Club KS2 (letters to go out to interested pupils) – Mrs. Dancey **3.15-4.15pm**

### Thursday:

- Sport Active Football Club **3.15-4.15pm**. (External provider – Years 3/4/5/6). Begins on 18<sup>th</sup> September and ends on 27<sup>th</sup> November. 16 places available. Link below.  
<https://sport-active-camps.classforkids.io/info/56>
- KS2 'A' football team fixtures (invitation only)

# CALL TO ACTION

All parents	Data Collection By 15 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Data collection forms – sent via email.</b> <b>If you cannot fill in the form online (this is not possible on a mobile device), then a hard copy is available from the school office.</b>
Parents of Castle Hill Primary school	Emotional Coaching Workshop on Wednesday 5th/12th/19th/26th November 9:00 am -10 am	<a href="https://forms.office.com/e/DF5sEPC4ES?origin=lprLink">https://forms.office.com/e/DF5sEPC4ES?origin=lprLink</a>
Current Year 5 and Year 6 (Please check your emails only sent to pupils that expressed interest )	Young Voices- Thursday 8th January 2026	<a href="https://forms.office.com/e/36x1xuGx81?origin=lprLink">https://forms.office.com/e/36x1xuGx81?origin=lprLink</a>