



# Castle Hill News: 12.12.25

## 'Moments matter, attendance counts'

Dear Parents/Carers,

This will be the last newsletter of 2025 before we break up for the school holidays. Next week, sees the end of term and our Christmas dinner, parties and sing along!

### Reception: Christmas Nativity

Congratulations to our wonderful Reception children for their amazing performance today. It was truly magical and always brings us so much joy. Thank you to all the parents and relatives who came to watch and support them.

### Millbrook Residents

On Wednesday this week, we had some special visitors in school. Some of the residents from Millbrook Lodge came to watch a dress rehearsal performance of the Reception Nativity. They also brought a Christmas present for every single child in Reception. Thank you from us all.

### Gloucester Museum

If you have time over the Christmas holidays, go along to Gloucester Museum to see all our pupils' amazing class artwork which is currently on display. Entrance is free!

### 500 Words competition

Well done to Will in Year 3 who has made it through to the second round of the BBC 500 Words writing competition. Every year, they get tens of thousands of entries (last year there were approximately 44,000) and only around 5,000 entries get through to the next round. This is an amazing achievement and we are so proud of him.

### Tennis Nationals

Nina and James recently competed against other tennis clubs across the country, hosted by the David Lloyd Club at Rickmansworth. The team battled admirably to secure 7th place. Nina and James were undefeated in their age group - an incredible result, well done!

It truly has been an extraordinary term of achievements and we are proud of all of our pupils for their hard work every day.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Mrs. Ettrick and all the Castle Hill Team

[Key dates for next week](#)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Young Voices choir visit to Millbrook Lodge to sing to residents

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner and party

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Sing- along 1-2pm: **Y5 + Y6 parents invited**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – **TERM ENDS @2pm**

[Key upcoming dates](#)

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Term starts

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Young Voices (Y5/6 choir)

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January - Year 3 and Year 4 trip to Bishopswood

**CALL TO ACTION**

Bishops Wood Centre  
for a Viking Voyagers  
workshop on **12th**  
**January 2026**

Please complete the consent form on your child's Edulink One app account and confirm your child's attendance and lunch by **Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**