



Castle Hill News: 08.05.26

Words matter. Why?

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is lovely to be able to get the children out of the classroom to enrich their experiences and to have fun! This week, Year 5 enjoyed a river field trip to Greystones Farm as part of their 'Cloud to Coast' topic where Poppy was our very own David Attenborough as she made an incredible discovery! Year 1 will be heading off to Hartpury Farm on Monday and other year groups have got their trips coming soon, so please keep an eye out for further details.

Y6 Enterprise Project

Last Friday, our Year 6s completed their sponsored run of 700 laps of the Daily Mile track (that is the equivalent to 100 miles!). They worked brilliantly as a team supporting and encouraging each other. So far, they have raised £1311.63 of their £1500 target. Please keep the sponsor money coming in so that they can achieve their goal. With the money raised, they are going to have lunch at Za Za Bazaar in Bristol before heading to the Horrible Histories Ancient Egyptians Live show at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre.



Rugby tour success

Charles, in Year 2, attended the Rugby Tigers Challenge UK 2026, competing alongside around 200 teams from across the country.

Representing Brockworth RFC as part of the Badgers Under 7s team, Charles showed great enthusiasm, scoring lots of tries and making plenty of tag tackles throughout the event. Taking part in such a large national competition is a fantastic achievement at his age.



Cycling Champion

Alex, Year 4, took part in a race at the Castle Combe racetrack this week and won the Under 10 category race! At one point during the race, he pulled so far ahead that he completely left the other racers behind. He performed with confidence, focus and determination.



Thank you for sharing these special moments with us - it is so lovely to hear about our pupils' achievements outside of school.

[3 Peaks – Coming soon – Sunday 17th May 2026](#)



Please join us for this fantastic community event. It has been a great success over the last couple of years raising lots of money for our school whilst having great fun too! We would love to see you there.

[Polite reminders:](#)

We have had further complaints about people parking on the yellow zigzag lines. Please observe these as they are there for all the children's safety. Thank you.

[Good luck Y6:](#)

Finally, good luck to our Year 6s who will be taking their SATS next week and have been working very hard. We are incredibly proud of you all. Remember you can come in to school anytime from 8am next week (via the Key Stage 2 gate) and come straight up to the Year 6 classroom. You are welcome to join us for breakfast, which has kindly been donated by Tesco Brockworth, or just to come up and chat with your friends. In previous years, this has proven to be a really positive way to start the day for our Year 6s during SATS week as it offers a more relaxed start to each day, so we would really encourage you to join us.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs. Ettrick

Key upcoming dates for Summer Term 2026

MAY

Monday 11th May – Friday 15th May - KS2 SATS week

Monday 11th May – Y1 farm trip to Hartpury

Sunday 17th May – 3 Peaks Brockworth – community event

Wednesday 20th May – New Reception parents' meeting @ 6pm

Thursday 21st May – Y6 final residential meeting @6pm

Friday 22nd May – Term finishes at **3.15 pm**

Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May – Half-term

JUNE

Monday 1st June – Back to school

Monday 1st June - Y6 Bikeability (further details to follow)

Week beginning: Monday 8th June – Phonics Screening Check – Y1

Wednesday 10th June – Class photos and Y6 leavers' photos

Tuesday 16th June –Sports Day (family picnic on the field from 12pm – races start at approximately 1.15pm)

Friday 19th June – Y1/Y2 trip to Cotswold Country Park and Beach @ South Cerney

Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th June – Y6 residential – The Pioneer Centre nr. Kidderminster

Thursday 25th June – Y5 camping trip

JULY

Wednesday 1st July – 3.15pm – Packtypes and PAWS event for parents

Friday 3rd July – Y6 theatre trip

Friday 3rd July – Castle Hill Fest (community event)

Thursday 9th July – TRANSITION DAY – all pupils spend the day in their new class

Thursday 9th July – New Reception visits – 'Stay and Play' sessions

Tuesday 14th July – House Team Day (in school pupil event)

Wednesday 15th July – Year 6 Leavers' Party – 3.15 – 5pm (pupils only)

Thursday 16th July – 9am – Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Friday 17th July – TERM ENDS 2pm