



Castle Hill News: 12.06.26

Words matter. Why?

Dear Parents/Carers,

Next week is Sports Day so please see the attached document with everything you need to know. Hopefully, the weather will be kind to us!

Skip 2BFit

On Tuesday, we were joined by David from Skip2bFit who led workshops for all of the children from Reception to Year Six. Children learnt about the importance of physical exercise, healthy eating and how having a positive mindset can help us achieve in all areas of life. The children engaged in all the activities with bravery and resilience but most importantly with a smile on their face. Well done to Lincoln in Year Six who accumulated the most skips, achieving 181 skips in two minutes and beating Mrs. Gibbs in a 'skip off' in assembly!



Yoga

Reception and Year 1 were also treated to a yoga session this week which they seemed to thoroughly enjoy.

K'nex workshops

On Monday, Years 4 and 5 were lucky enough to have a coding workshop which was led by Steve from STEMWORKS. I know many of the children really appreciated this opportunity and enjoyed their day.

[Seesaw and online etiquette](#)

As parents and teaching staff, we all know that children learn and develop at different rates. Please be mindful not to make a judgement or a comment about another pupil's work to another parent or to a child as this is not in the spirit of our use of Seesaw. Thank you.

[Holiday activity and food programme \(HAF\)](#)

The Holiday activity and Food (HAF) programme returns this summer with a range of exciting activities and delicious food for families eligible for benefits related free school meals this summer holiday. Please read the information below carefully and disseminate the information accordingly.

HAF activities are available for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. If you're unsure about your eligibility, you can get in touch with the free school meal team at reeschoolmeals@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Our soft launch opens on **22 June** where you will be able to view activities and plan what you want to do before bookings go live on **6 July**.

Bookings open from **midday** on 6 July. Make sure you're ready to book by checking your account now-visit the [Family Hub website and booking system here](#). Use our handy checklist below to make sure that:

- All your children have an individual profile added to your account.
- Emergency contact details are filled in for each child profile
- Any additional needs or disability information is included for each child profile
- Your details reflect any recent changes (e.g. new address, phone contact details)

Keeping your profiles up to date helps ensure smooth bookings and the best support for your child. A complete and up to date profile means:

- Faster bookings
- Better support for your children
- Fewer delays or issues during HAF sessions.

[Polite reminders](#)

Claw clips – please be mindful that these can, and have, caused injury.

Uniform – please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform and, especially in these warmer months, that skirts/shorts are of an appropriate length including for PE.

[KS2 outdoor quiet area wishlist](#)

<https://amzn.eu/OhhAT241>

Have a good weekend.

Mrs. Ettrick

[Key upcoming dates for Summer Term 2026](#)

JUNE

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