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Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to the final newsletter for this academic year! I can't believe the summer holidays are almost upon us. I would like to take this opportunity to share some special messages for some special people. Firstly, thank you to all of you. I am grateful for your support of the school and delighted that parents are part of our school family just as much as anyone else. Thank you for your generosity, supporting our PTA to raise far beyond our target of £20,000. Some of our families are leaving CSPA and leaving Chalfont St Peter, moving away to new areas. We send our love and best wishes to you all.

Thank you to our CSPA governors who work tirelessly and voluntarily for the good of the school and of course the children.

My huge thanks to the wonderful members of staff who care so deeply about our school and children. They are so dedicated and want nothing but the best for your children. Thank you for sharing your appreciation of them with such lovely comments, generous gifts and thoughtful cards. We of course will be sharing a sad farewell to Miss Stephens who reaches the end of her fixed term with us - thank you Miss Stephens for the love and care you have shown our Year 3 children. We also say goodbye to Mrs Burgess, a long-standing member of our school family for 15 years who has given so much to many children over the years she has been part of CSPA. We will miss her kindness, passion and wonderful enthusiasm but wish her well and give all of our CSPA love. Thank you Mrs Burgess!

Finally, thank you to the most wonderful children who never cease to surprise me and remind me even on the most challenging of days, why CSPA really is the best place to be! Congratulations to our Year 6 children who on Tuesday, share their final farewell to CSPA. They have been outstanding ambassadors and we are so proud of them as they start new adventures at their secondary schools.

Over the summer holidays, contractors will be starting our Year 4 classroom and surrounding area refurbishment. I can't wait to keep you posted via social media of the progress being made throughout the holiday - keep in touch! This refurbishment has only been made possible through PTA fundraising this year so thank you, thank you, thank you!

Finally, I would like to again share my gratitude to our CSPA community for their kindness and support following my appointment to Headteacher. After the holiday and a bit of a rest, I look forward to starting the school year with plenty of enthusiasm and energy. 2024/25 is going to be amazing!

I wish you all a happy, exciting and restful summer holiday when it arrives on Tuesday. Enjoy every moment!

A little plea from me...please can you take the time over the weekend to check your homes for any items which belong to the school - sports kits, reading books, school equipment and return it with your child before Tuesday - thank you!

Don't forget we finish at 1:30pm on Tuesday!

Children return to school on Thursday, 5th September.

Mrs Alburg

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Our half term Value:

This half term we will be focussing in school on the value

TRUTHFULNESS

TRUTH and TRUTHFULNESS

'Tell the truth to each other.'

Zechariah 8.16

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Be truthful, gentle and fearless.
(Mahatma Gandhi)

Three things cannot long be hidden: the sun, the moon and the truth.
(Buddha)

Why do you think Gandhi believed the truth should be told with gentleness?

What do you think the Buddha meant?

To make an apple pie from scratch, you must first invent the universe.
(Carl Segan)

Truth is complete, it needs no exaggeration.
(Anon)

Searching after the truth needs us to think of the 'big questions'. What are your big questions?

It is sometimes tempting to exaggerate the truth to make something sound more impressive or exciting. Have you ever known this to happen?

Sharing success in the local community

Jesus said 'I have come that you may have life in all its fullness' (John 10:10). He calls us to a full life in mind, body, heart and spirit. At CSPA, we believe the purpose of education is to nurture and enable every child to thrive and to be the

person they are fully capable of being. We are proud of what our children achieve, not only in school but outside of school too!

If your child achieves success in the community we would love to hear about it. Please email a summary and any photographs to the School Office to feature here.



Huge congratulations to Bradley in Year 5 who competed in his first triathlon last Saturday in Chesham alongside his cousins from Scotland, completing a 50m swim, 2km bike and 1km run in a time of 13.58 min. He is already looking for the next one to enter! Well done Bradley!





Ex Pupil to participate in the Olympic Games

Huge congratulations to ex pupil Heidi Long who is participating in the ladies Rowing event in the Olympic games in France.

Please see below email received from her parent.

"The whole ethos that was your school back then was such a huge part of sewing the seeds for Heidi's love of sport. Whether it was table tennis, football or getting the baton round it was a fantastic introduction to the discipline and fun that makes sport so important.

She learned that sport matters and it still does.

We remembered M people and Proud, which has often been played on the way to races.

Races are:

Heats either 12pm or 12.10pm on 29/7

Repercharge (unless they win the heat) 10.10am on 1/8

Final 3/8 at 10.50am."

We hope Heidi will come into school in the autumn term to tell us all about her achievements.

Back yourself



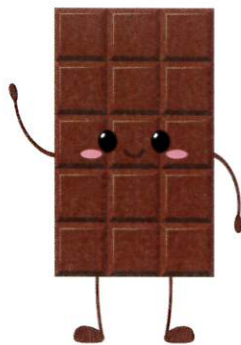
TOMORROW
BEGINS TODAY

TEAM GB

NatWest

PROUD PARTNER

The image features a female athlete with long blonde hair, smiling broadly and giving a thumbs-up gesture with both hands. She is wearing an orange zip-up hoodie with the Team GB logo on the chest. The background is a dark purple gradient. The text 'Back yourself' is written in large, white, bold letters at the top. At the bottom left, the phrase 'TOMORROW BEGINS TODAY' is written in a white, handwritten-style font, with 'TODAY' underlined. On the bottom right, there are logos for 'TEAM GB' (with the Olympic rings) and 'NatWest' (with its recycling symbol logo). Below the NatWest logo, the text 'PROUD PARTNER' is visible in small letters.





Golden Rule

The one rule for all of us in school is:

*Everyone will act with gentleness
and respect to others at all times.*

*We will keep ourselves
and others safe.*

Chocolate Treat Friday!

Every Friday staff recognise 1 child in each class who has **consistently shown the Golden Rule and been a Values Champion** throughout the week. The chosen child receives a chocolate treat, a certificate from Mrs Alburg and a HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship.

Congratulations to the following children who received chocolate caramel cake!

Year 3: Laila L, Cameron, Freddie M

Year 4: Yvie W, Raushan, Callum

Year 5: Rudy, Celina, Oli G

Year 6: Elvie, Ella S, Emilia N

Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to the following children who received Achievement Awards in July.

Golden

Year 3: Issha B, Cooper C

Year 4: Olivia H, Jeevan J

Year 5: Jessica F, JoJo B

Year 6: Bethany B, Eashan M

Diamond

Year 3: Jessica Rose LH, Keesha Y, Bea W

Year 4: Jorim T, Oriole W, Henry S

Year 5: Isla P, Charlie F, Myles K

Year 6: Harriette S, Jacob H, Seb R

Housepoints - Hampden



Curriculum news



In this section you can find out just a small amount of the high quality teaching and learning that happens inside, and out, of CSPA!

Don't forget to explore our [CSPA curriculum](#) on our website.

As it is the start of a new term, you can read about each year groups curriculum for the summer term by clicking [here](#).

Year 6 Leavers' 2024

We are looking forward to seeing you at the presentation assembly on Tuesday. Please note the following details:

- Please arrive at 9am and wait outside Gold Hill Hub. Once ready, we will invite you in to take your seats before the children arrive. Chairs in the centre section will be reserved for the children. The children will arrive at 9:10am for a 9:15am start. I expect the assembly to finish at approximately 11am.
- Please could I ask that you limit any filming or photography to your child only and that you do not share any videos or photographs of other children on social media.
- Please ensure your mobile phone is set to silent during the assembly.
- Should you wish to take any photographs of your child with any school shields/trophies, you will be able to at pick up time at 1:30pm.

The children have been told they can bring a spare shirt and/or notebook to sign names and write messages. Children will not be able to write on the shirt they are wearing. We have also asked children not to bring cameras to school.

We can't wait to celebrate with your children and enjoy what's going to be a very special day!

Year 6 enjoying their ice cream treat!



A very successful, sunny and final Young Entrepreneurs' Sale!



Year 5 Black Park Trip

In Year 5, the children recently enjoyed an exciting trip to Black Park, where they explored nature trails and discovered local wildlife. The day was filled with laughter and learning as they participated in various outdoor activities. Read what they had to say about the day below:

"I thought Black Park was really interesting because we got to do Den building and also got to saw wood, which was super fun! I enjoyed learning about where the Harry Potter locations were filmed, I was especially happy we got to go to the playground!" - Olivia

"I liked the Wood Splitting and Sawing because with the sawing you had to get a tempo up with your partner and it required a lot of teamwork and with the Wood Splitting you had to hit it as hard as you could!" - Isla

"I enjoyed making sculptures in the style of Andy Goldsworthy with natural materials. It was nice because everyone's was different but everyone's was really good as well" - Will

"I liked scavenger hunting because we got to see and learn about different species of plants. We also got to measure trees and found out how old they were" - Henry

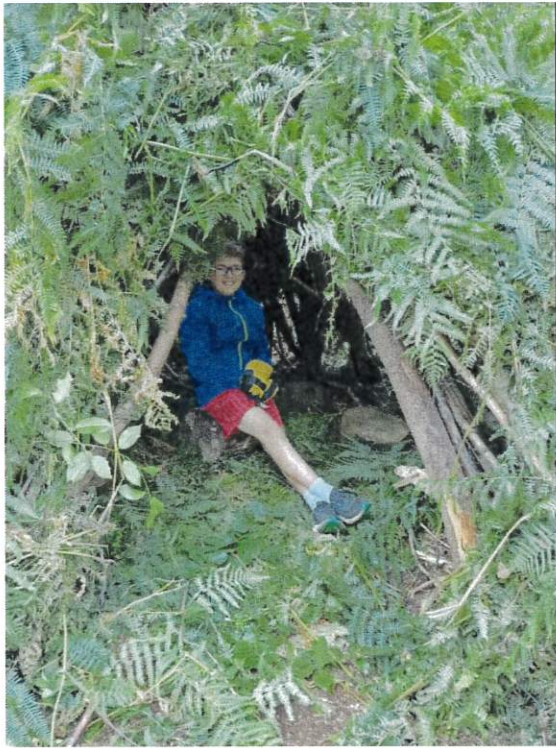
"I liked the den building because we got to work as a team" - Ryan

"I enjoyed making the art pictures out of natural materials because we all made different things. Trying to find everything was fun and it was very different to the art lessons in school" - Elise

"Measuring the trees to find out what their ages were was my favourite. It was fun trying to find a tree that was the same age as Miss Badrick". - Neve

"I enjoyed the wood splitting because we made it into a competition to see who could split the wood in the least amount of attempts" - Jojo

Miss Badrick





Exciting Euro Sweepstake

Class 7 recently enjoyed a Euro sweepstake, brilliantly organised by Rudy. The event added a fun and competitive edge to our Euro 2024 experience, with everyone eagerly following the matches to see how their teams fared. Rudy put in a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sweepstake was a success, even going the extra mile by creating PowerPoints and bringing in a special Euro 2024 scarf from Germany for the winner! It has been a lovely way of bringing the class together near the end of term. Thank you so much, Rudy, for your dedication and enthusiasm. What a star! 

See the winner, Matthew A, very happy below!



Year 3 Picnic

Year 3 enjoyed a picnic on Wednesday to celebrate all their hard work this year. Take a look at a few of the photos of them enjoying their time!



Year 3 Activities

On **Monday 22nd of July** we will be making 'moving monsters' for our DT project, using burger boxes, balloons and tubing to make the monster open its mouth. The theme is sea creatures! If the children would like to bring in additional craft materials for their monster they may do so on Monday. We already have card, feathers, pipe cleaners and polystyrene balls etc. This will

just be anything extra or special they would like to bring.

Miss Gilbert

Pupils' Perspective - Final Edition of the year

Head onto google classroom to enjoy Edition 8 of our school magazine. It's packed full of jokes, stories, recipes, history, competition winners, and much more.

We want to say a huge thank you for reading our magazine, and a massive well done to all our writers this year. Current Year 4 and 5 children, watch out for news of next year's club in September...

Mrs Nicholas and Mrs Ditty



What to do if your child is ill or absent from school

To report an absence from school, an email must be sent on each day of absence to absent@cspacademy.org.uk

To request a planned absence from school, [CLICK HERE](#) to complete an online Google form. Forms can also be located under the 'parents' tab on our school website www.cspacademy.org.uk



PTA News

Watch this space for PTA news as we approach our fundraising target! Have an idea of what you would like the PTA to purchase for the children? Come along to the next meeting to share your ideas!!

PTA Hot Lunch

Thank you to all parents and staff who have helped today to make the final hot lunch of this year a very special one. Pizza was on the menu and my thanks go in particular to Ms Wagner for her organisation of today's hot lunch and liaison with KK Catering. The children certainly enjoyed it!





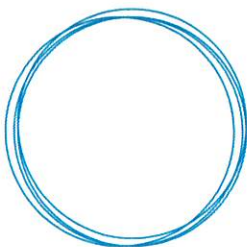
Second Hand Uniform Sale

The PTA will be doing two pre-loved uniform sales after school on Friday 19th and Monday 22nd July.



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Tues 23 July	Year 6 Presentation Assembly (The Hub)	9.15 am - 11 am	Year 6 and Year 6 parents
Tues 23 July	School finishes at 1.30 pm for summer holidays	1.30 pm	ALL
Tues 23 July	Year 6 Leavers' Disco at Gold Hill Hub	6pm - 8pm	Year 6
Thurs 5 Sept	School reopens	8.45 am	Years 4, 5 and 6
Thurs 5 Sept	School reopens	9.15 am	Year 3
Wed 11 Sept	Year 3 and Year 5 - Meet the Teacher and Year Leader presentations for parents	3.30 pm	Year 3 and Year 5 parents
Fri 13 Sept	Year 3 parents' coffee morning	8.45 am - 10am	Year 3 parents
Wed 18 Sept	Year 4 and Year 6 - Meet the Teacher and Year Leader presentations for parents	3.30 pm	Year 4 and Year 6 parents
Fri 27 Sept	PTA Bingo Night - Year 3 & Year 4	6.30pm - 8.30pm	Year 3 & Year 4



SAVE THE DATES:

Wednesday, 11th September - Year 3 and Year 5

**Meet the Teacher and Year Leader presentations for
parents**

Friday, 13th September - 8.45 am - 10 am (Year 3 parents' coffee morning)

Wednesday, 18th September - Year 4 and Year 6 Meet the Teacher and Year Leader presentations for parents

Friday, 27th September - 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm (PTA Bingo Night - Year 3 and Year 4)

[Click here](#) to view the full school calendar

[Click here](#) to access the extra curriculum timetable

[Click here](#) to access term dates for 2023/24

Community Events

Please note that Chalfont St Peter Church of England Academy does not accept any responsibility for advertised community events, nor do we endorse them.



Prayer

O God of all beginnings and endings, We praise and thank you for the gift of this school. Our journey has been a time filled with grace and blessings, with challenges and opportunities, joys and sorrows

Give us the rest and refreshment we need this summer. Let our efforts of this past year bear fruit. Bring all of our plans to a joyful conclusion, And bless us, according to your will, With the fulfilment of our summer hopes and dreams. Watch over us in the weeks of rest ahead, And guide each day as you have done this past year.

Help us start September with a new spirit and a new energy. May we continue to grow in age, wisdom, knowledge and grace all the days of our lives.

Amen



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