



School Newsletter 24.5.24

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Headteacher's Welcome

It's half term already! Time really does fly with so much going on and so much to enjoy at CSPA. It's been another super half term! As I write the newsletter, I am looking forward to the sponsored event this afternoon which will be a perfect end to the half term. You can be reminded about the sponsored event later in the newsletter and read more about it after the break.

Yesterday was Hot Lunch Day! A firm favourite with the children and something they always look forward to. Thank you to the many parents who helped out and a special thank you to Amy Richards who has been organising the hot lunches for a number of years now. The Richards family are approaching the

end of their CSPA journey and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Richards for being such a valued member of our PTA. Our next hot lunch, before the end of term, is going to be a little different. Watch this space!

I would also like to extend my thanks to Mrs Koski and Mrs Hackett, also valued members of our PTA, who have kindly started a garden rescue project at CSPA! You can read more about their plans and how you can help later in the newsletter. Thank you to both parents - this is a project I have been keen to get off the ground for a while and I am delighted that these ladies have taken a lead in making things happen!

Last Friday, I was able to join the PTA ball for the arrival drinks. The venue was beautifully decorated, everyone looked fantastic and a special, fun night was had by all. A huge thank you to the organising committee who once again were amazing in creating such a fabulous event - thank you to Jane Gale, Isabel Spence, Nicola Owen, Liz Hounsell and Ruchi Ghosh! The ball raised a staggering £3,818 which is an outstanding amount of money - thank you, thank you, thank you! With further hot lunches added and the ball fundraising, we are even closer to our target of £20,000. So far this year, the PTA have raised £18,853! Just £1,147 to go and who knows how much more we can raise before the end of term!

We are all hoping for beautiful weather tomorrow (Saturday) as it is Miss Goldsack's wedding day! We wish her and her fiancé Ryan a memorable and incredibly special day and look forward to welcoming her back to CSPA after the break as Mrs Goldsack-Bunce, but to be known as Mrs Goldsack in school. Congratulations Miss Goldsack and lots of CSPA love!

Lastly, on Friday 7th June, we are expecting a visit from Sarah Green MP. Sarah popped into the school when she was visiting the village a few months ago regarding the flooding. She enjoyed her visit so much that she is keen to return to see more of our CSPA community. Fingers crossed that she can still make it on the 7th June. I'll keep you posted!

I wish you all a wonderful half term break - have a well-deserved rest and plenty of fun! Don't forget we return to school after the break on Tuesday 4th June 2024.

Key Reminders

Year 6 residential trip to Wales - presentation for parents

Dates for C3 and C12 class assemblies

Sponsored event sponsor money

Gardening project - can you help?

Mrs Alburg

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Our half term Value:

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

SERVICE

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'Serve one another in love.'

Galatians 5.13

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Life is never so busy that there is no time to serve. (Anon)

You are what you do, not what you say you will do. (C. G. Jung)

Can you remember ever thinking that you were too busy to help someone in need?

Is there something important that you have never got around to doing?

Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little. (Edmund Burke)

No joy can equal the joy of serving others. (Sai Baba)

Can you think of a small act of service by someone else that made a big difference to you?

Think of a time when helping someone else made you feel joyful.

Sharing success in the local community

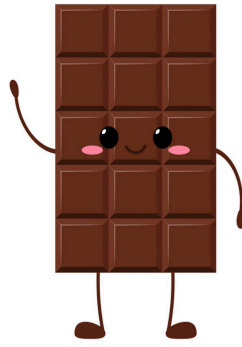
Jesus said *'I have come that you may have life in all its fullness'* (John 10:10). He calls us to a full life in mind, body, heart and spirit. At CSPA, we believe the purpose of education is to nurture and enable every child to thrive and to be the person they are fully capable of being. We are proud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





Last weekend Amelia G (Class 11) and Liam G (Class 2) both participated in a production of Aladdin, the musical, at the theatre. After months of classes with Rare Productions, they enjoyed the experience of being on stage in front of an audience, seeing how things work backstage, and collaborating with other young actors. This experience has boosted their confidence and allowed them to make new friends.



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 from Mrs Alburg, a certificate and a HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship.

Congratulations to the following children who received chocolate fudge cake!

Year 3: Aura, Toby L, Louis

Year 4: Hasan, Flynn M, Poppy S

Year 5: Sophia, Ivy, Margot

Year 6: Bethany, Ella, Emilia



Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to the following children who received Achievement Awards today:

Diamond:

Year 3: Isla W, Eloise D, Cooper C

Year 4: Charlotte W, Oakley S, Yvie W

Year 5: Daisy R, Su Y, Olivia P

Year 6: Zachary R, Ria A, Olivia A

Golden:

Year 3: Evie C, Zayn D

Year 4: Pearl W, Theo A

Year 5: Jessica F, Oliver L

Year 6: Harvey B, Elvie H

Housepoints: Hampden



Class Assemblies - Reminders

Following the success of class assemblies from Class 7, Class 4, Class 1, Class 11, Class 9, Class 5, Class 2, Class 10, Class 8 and Class 6 today, we are delighted to remind you of future class assemblies. Don't forget to save the date!

The class assemblies will be on Fridays starting promptly at 9:10am and finishing at 9:30am. You are welcome to arrive at 9am. The assembly will be shared in our school hall.

To give you prior notice, the dates of each class assembly are shared below:

Year 3 Class 3: Friday 21st June 2024
Year 6 Class 12: Friday 5th July 2024

To ensure that we do not exceed the hall's capacity and be compliant with fire regulations, we ask that a maximum of two members of each family attend the assembly. Siblings not of school age can attend but will need to sit on adults' laps. There is no need to register your attendance, please just arrive at 9am via the school office. Please note that the rest of the school will have the opportunity to also enjoy the assembly at a later time that morning.

We look forward to seeing you and welcoming you to our class assemblies.



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](#).

CSPA Sponsored Event

Today's sponsored event has been super! I will share more after half term but in the meantime we would ask that your child's sponsor form and money (in a named envelope) are returned to school by Friday 7th June.

This special event will not only provide children with a fun afternoon but will also help to raise funds for the school so we can reach our target of £20,000 and be able to further our refurbishment project to the Year 4 classrooms this summer. If each child was able to get £10 of sponsor money, it would raise over £3,000 for the school!

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Year 6 Wales Trip

Following the meeting for parents on Tuesday evening, you can view the presentation on our school website and by clicking the link below.

[Year 6 Wales Trip 2024](#)

Please could I remind you that if your child requires any medication it must be given to us prior to the trip in its original packaging with a CSPA form which can be downloaded [here](#). Please hand in all medication before Wednesday 5th June.

Year 3 Upcoming Guests/Activities

We are excited to let you know that on **Thursday 6th of June** the year 3 children will be taking part in an Ancient Roman day, to bring our learning in History, English and Art this term to life. There will be lots of activities throughout the day for them to have a go at, including practical activities and arts and crafts, and we will be visited by a very special guest who will be providing an insight into what life was like as a Roman soldier. On this occasion we will not be dressing up, the children will not be participating in their usual games lesson, but will still be active throughout the day so we invite them to still wear their PE kits.

We are also very excited to let you know that on **Friday 7th of June**, we will be visited by Meriet Duncan aka The Queen Bee, children's author, beekeeper and speaker. Who will be bringing our science and art topic to life! The children will have opportunities to see real beehives, honey, honeycomb and beekeeping equipment. It is sure to be a fantastic day.

There will be an email in the upcoming weeks with information about purchasing a copy of Meriet's book 'Bestie Valentine and the Honeybees' or 'Bestie Valentine and the Honourable Honeybees' which can be signed on the day.

To help cover the cost of these activities, we would like to ask for a voluntary contribution of £8 for the Roman Day and £2.00 for the Queen Bee visit. Please make this payment via Parent Pay. Charges will be added to your Parent Pay accounts. No child will be excluded from participating in the educational activities on the grounds of non-payment. However, if insufficient funds are received to make the activities viable, we will unfortunately have to cancel.

We hope this will be a fun and memorable way for the children to learn. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

The Year 3 team



CSPA YEAR 6 LEAVERS PARTY 2024
TUESDAY 23RD JULY
THE HUB, CHURCH LANE, CHALFONT ST PETER, SL9 9RF
6PM-8PM

Dear Year 6 Parents/Guardians,

As a long-standing tradition, the **CSPA Leavers Party** for Year 6 students is held on the evening of the last day of term. We really hope your child can attend to make it a very special night to remember!

The ticket price for this event is **£15** which will cover pizza, ice-cream, drinks, entertainment, venue costs and decorations. There will also be a photobooth on the night where the children can have endless amounts of photo fun with their friends – all this included in the ticket price!

If you require financial assistance, please contact the school office by emailing them directly at office@cspacademy.org.uk. All enquiries will be kept confidential.

To enable us to prepare for the party, payment for tickets is required by Friday 24th May.

Please make a bank transfer using your child's full name as a payment reference to:

Account name: Isabel Spence

Account number: 87176543

Sort code: 04-00-04

To register your child for the event please complete the following form:

<https://forms.gle/NZW4tCweqIW72tF98>

The event is organised by Year 6 parents and not by the school, we really need volunteers to help out at the party - please indicate on the form if you are able to do so.

Collection on the night: Please arrive at The Hub promptly at 8pm – children must know in advance who is collecting them.

Please note the following:

- **The parent/guardian volunteers will be supervising during the evening.**
- **There will be a DJ with lazer, strobe and disco lights at the party.**
- **There will be UV facepainting available.**
- **This event is for CSPA Year 6 Leavers only.**
- **If your child brings their phone it is their responsibility to look after it. We accept no responsibility for loss or damage.**

We very much look forward to creating an unforgettable party!

The CSPA Year 6 Leavers Party Team

CSPA Garden Rescue!

Thank you so much to parent Mrs Koski and a small number of volunteer parents who are helping to restore nature to CSPA's open spaces. Work has already started to brighten up some of the school's planters and borders and we have lots of exciting plans to create an environmental area, peaceful courtyards and raised beds where the children can grow their own flowers and plants. This week grow bags were delivered to school so that Year 5 can grow

their own tomatoes (donated by Shane's Nurseries) and sunflower seeds donated by Yalden's will be given out at pick up today so that the children can have a go at growing their own sunflowers over half term. We are still looking for more volunteer gardeners and in particular a landscaper or builder who could spare an hour or so to help repair a raised bed. Our next gardening day is Wednesday 29th May if anyone would like to join us? Please contact Jeanette on 07738 628684 for more details.

CSPA Garden Rescue!

Would you like to join our green-fingered gang of volunteers to transform CSPA's outdoor spaces into somewhere beautiful, inspiring, relaxing and educational for our children to learn in this summer?

Co-Op kindly donated some money towards improving CSPA's outside space and we have some wonderful ideas of how we can make the outdoors a magical for our kids. We just need some extra helping hands to make it happen!

No experience required, just your time and a trowel! Contact Jeanette Koski (Ivy's mum) on 07738 628684 for more details.





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

Tesco Voting

You can now vote for CSPA with blue tokens at Tesco, Gerrards Cross and the Tesco Express store in Chalfont St Peter as part of their Stronger Starts Campaign.

This grant is for new playground equipment.

Many thanks to Mrs Hackett who has put forward our school for this.

Co-op Fundraising

Before closing the Co-op very kindly donated just over £1,260 to CSPA as part of an initiative to restore nature to our playground.

Although the store has closed there is an additional £4,277.86 available to be split between the two local charities (of which we are one).

If you have a Co-op card, please choose CSPA as your chosen charity and spread the word with friends and family. The more we are chosen, the more

funding we will receive in October!

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/76625>



PTA News

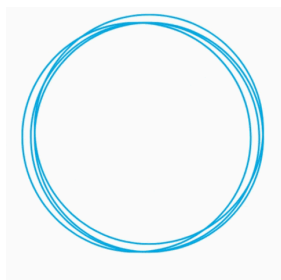
Watch this space for PTA news as we approach our fundraising target! Have an idea of what you would like the PTA to purchase for the children? Come along to the next meeting to share your ideas!!



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Mon 10 June - Fri 14 June	Year 6 Residential Trip to Rock UK	All week	Year 6
Wb 17 June	Year 5 CATs Week		Year 5

Mon 17 June	Year 6 Leavers' Photos	am	Year 6
Thurs 20 June	Year 5 11+ Meeting	7pm - 8 pm	Year 5 parents
Thurs 27 June	New Year 3 intake for Sept 2024 - meeting for parents	7 pm	New intake parents
Mon 1 July	Year 6 retreat day at The Hub	All day	Year 6
Tues 2 July	Year 6 transition day - visit new schools	All day	Year 6
Tues 2 July	New Year 3 intake for Sept 2024 - transition morning	9am - 11.30 am	Year 2 children
Wed 10 July	Sports Day	1 pm - 3.15pm	ALL
Tues 16 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (CSP Church)	pm	Year 6
Tues 23 July	Year 6 Presentation Assembly (The Hub)	9.15 am - 11 am	Year 6 and Year 6 parents
Tues 23 July	Year 6 Leavers' Disco at Gold Hill Hub	6pm - 8pm	Year 6



SAVE THE DATES:

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[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.

**B Discover Bucks
Museum**
& Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

Discover Bucks Museum
Church Street
Aylesbury HP20 2QP
discoverbucksmuseum.org
01296 331441

May Half Term Fun

25 - 31 May 2024

Join us as we celebrate national Bee and Biscuit days, step back in time to Roman Bucks and make your own wildflower seed-bomb or puppet plus lots more!

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



FREE

Saturday 25 May – Spring Into Summer – Family Day

FREE with standard admission charges, drop in 10am - 4pm.
Suitable for ages 3+.

We're springing into summer at Discover Bucks Museum: play outdoor games, learn about historic May Day traditions, try out our summer gallery trail and more!

Monday 27 May – Seeds, Seeds Everywhere

£3.50, drop in 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Suitable for ages 3+.
Celebrate bee day by making a wildflower seed-bomb from recycled paper.

Tuesday 28 May – Bucks Back in Time: The Romans

£3.50, 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Suitable for ages 4+.
Step back into Roman Bucks and experience hands-on crafts and activities in this drop-in workshop: make a Roman mosaic, see how you look in a toga, discover Roman meal time & handle real Roman artefacts!

Wednesday 29 May – Biscuit Day at Discover Bucks

£3.50, drop in 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Suitable for ages 3+.
Celebrate National Biscuit Day at Discover Bucks Museum with biscuit decorating, edible playdough, a sensory dig pit and more!

Thursday 30 May – Let's Get Creative

£3, 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Suitable for ages 3+.
Join us to make your very own collage to take home.

Friday 31 May – Nature Puppets

£4.50, 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Suitable for ages 4+
Create your very own nature-inspired, moveable puppet.

Make a day of it and visit the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery and the rest of the Museum while you're here. We're now open Sundays 12pm - 4pm as well.

For more event details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org



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Prayer

Father God,

Thank you for the many different skills, gifts and qualities you have given us,

Help us to serve others with willing hands,

with generous hearts,

and with kind words,

Use our eyes and ears to notice how others serve us and remind us how to show gratitude and thanks.

In serving others in love, may we also serve you.

Amen



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