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Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter! It's been such a busy week with so much to share and celebrate. I've enjoyed every moment of my first full week as Acting Headteacher.

A special highlight this week was the first of our open mornings. The school looked fantastic and we were delighted to showcase our newly refurbished areas of the school. The atmosphere was vibrant with all children keen to show the pride they have for their school. The Year 6 children did a particularly

wonderful job as tour guides and we couldn't have been more proud of them! The feedback from visitors was so positive and complimentary. I can't wait to open our doors once again for the next open morning on the 17th November.

Next week, we are already looking forward to the first of our International evenings for some years and to our traditional termly walk to school week. More information is shared later in the newsletter.

This week's newsletter includes:

Walk to School Week

Shoebbox appeal

Curriculum news

Pupils' Perspective School Magazine

International Evening

Remembrance

Choir activities

Scholastic Book Fair

Firework Safety

PTA news and events

Value prayer: trust

Finally, I have some sad news to share. At the start of the half term break, one of our governors, Mr Tim Mears, sadly passed away. Please see a message below from Revd Jim King (Chair of Governors), on behalf of the Governing Body.

We are sad to announce that Mr Tim Mears, our longest serving school governor, passed away on 23 October. Tim had been a school governor for some 40 years and was a well known presence around the school and community. He was the governors' tribal memory and, with his professional experience as a senior Bank of England executive, brought us invaluable financial and business expertise. More than that he loved the school and always strove to do the best for our pupils and parents. He will be greatly missed.

The loss of Tim will be felt throughout CSPA. He adored the school, looked after the staff and wanted nothing but the best for the children. In my 22 years at the school, Tim was of constant support and encouragement. His wisdom, his kindness and his devotion to the school will be greatly missed by us all.

I wish you all a restful and safe weekend.

Mrs Alburg

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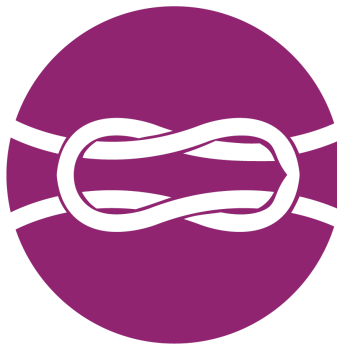


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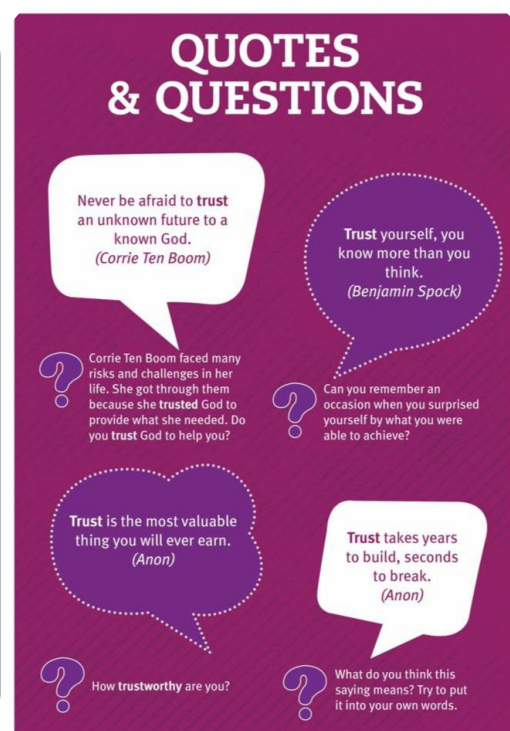
Our half term Value:

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

TRUST



[CLICK HERE](#) to access fun activities for you to do with your family together alongside topics to stimulate discussion and reflection about **TRUST**.



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.



Honor in Year 3 had a very exciting yet busy half term, rehearsing for and taking part in 2 performances of 'Nativity the Musical' at the Wycombe Swan theatre. The show was a fundraiser run by the Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity who believe they are on target to raise more than last year's total of £55,000!



On 22nd October Charlotte W in Year 4 took part in a ballet show at The Beck Theatre in Hayes. She is part of Suzanne's School of Dance, in Ickenham. She performed in front of 500 people.



Chocolate Treat Friday!

Every Friday staff recognise 1 child in each class who has **consistently shown the Golden Rule** throughout the week. The chosen child receives a chocolate treat from Mrs Alburg, a certificate and a HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship. Today the following children received triple chocolate cake!

Congratulations to:

Yr 3: Alistair, William and Edison

Yr 4: Tom F, Nota and Millie

Yr 5: James H, Eloise and Dhrithi

Yr 6: Anna, Naran and Emma



Walk To School and Be Healthy Week is next week!

We hope the stormy weather stays away for next week's Walk To School Week. Our autumn term theme is 'Loving Our World' so please make a big effort. If you need to drive, try to park further away and walk; our neighbours will be most grateful. Greet our lovely and very keen Year 6 Road Safety Officers, who will be rewarding children with raffle tickets. To maximise as many opportunities to be as active as possible, **we would like children to wear their PE kit to school every day next week.**

This is a perfect time to get back into good habits to become fitter and healthier. There will be exercise at lunchtimes run by Scott at Core Fitness and Year 4 will be running a mile every day. Music will be played at break times for the children to dance to.

Please make sure your child comes to school with lots of fresh fruit and vegetables as snacks and in their packed lunch. We will be collecting data to find out which class is the healthiest to win the trophy.

Tuesday is Groovy Shoesday. Children must wear their PE kit and can wear or bring their favourite shoes, trainers or slippers for the classroom. No donations are required.

Instead of drama lessons, Mrs Lipscombe will be teaching children how to love our world by doing some green activities and educating children generally about the importance of connecting with nature.

We look forward to a week with a bit of a difference that the children should enjoy.

Many thanks for your support,
Mrs Botia (PSHE Leader)



Shoebox Appeal

We are delighted to once again be taking part in Samaritan's Purse appeal with Gold Hill Baptist Church, to pack a shoebox of Christmas gifts for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Yesterday, our whole school collective worship was led by one of our parents, Mrs Gale and helped by our school wings. Mrs Gale explained about the charity Samaritan's Purse and how your children can help. Samaritan's Purse is an international relief and development organisation that works through local churches to proclaim and demonstrate the love of God amongst communities in Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

Every child should have brought home a leaflet to explain how they can pack a shoebox of gifts. These shoeboxes will then need to be brought into school by **Thursday 16th November**. Please contact the school office if you need an extra copy of the leaflet.

Thank you for your support with this appeal. Let's hope we can beat the 243 shoes that we collected last year! If you would like to read more, you can click [here](#).

“Millions of children around the world are impacted by these simple shoebox gifts. One box can touch not only just the child, but their whole family. So, keep packing shoebox gifts! Thank you, and God bless you.” Franklin Graham, President, Samaritan’s Purse.



Curriculum news



The CSPA Curriculum



Curriculum
Design



Curriculum
Drivers



Curriculum
Policy



The CSPA
Rainbow

Curriculum Subjects



English



Reading



Mathematics



Religious
Education



Science



Computing



Art and Design



Drama



Humanities



PSHE



Languages



Music



Physical
Education

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.

In some of our Collective Worship recently, we have been thinking about the learning behaviours in our CSPA Rainbow. These behaviours encourage the children to think about and demonstrate how they learn best, and what they can do when they find something challenging. The learning behaviours in our CSPA Rainbow are:

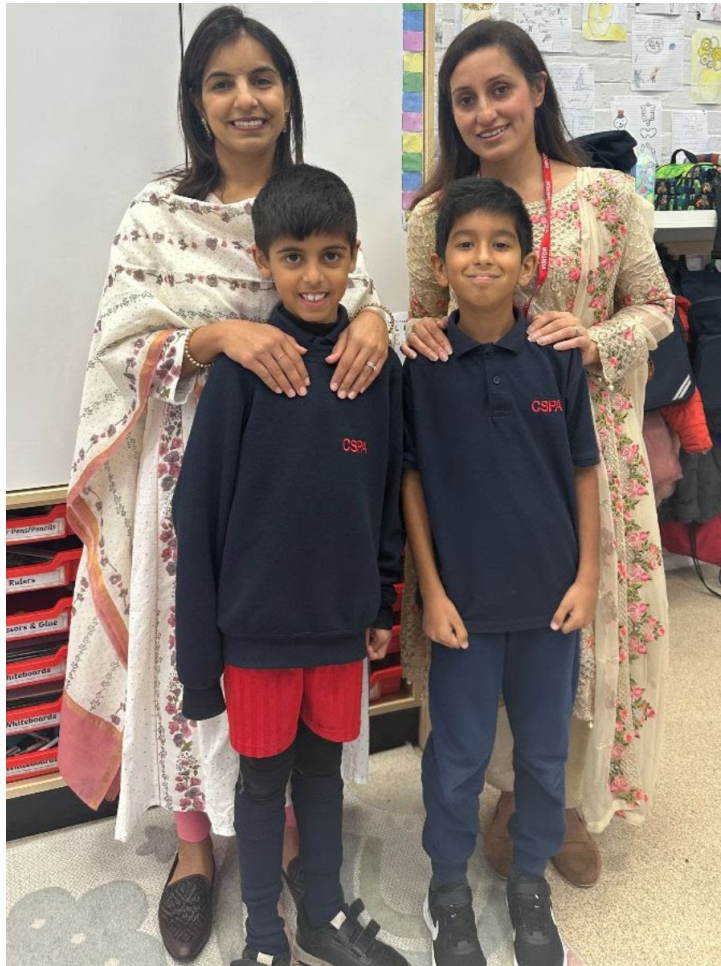
Teamwork
Confidence
Enthusiasm
Creativity
Ambition
Reflection
Curiosity



Learning about Diwali

Class 1 was treated to a visit from Mrs Rajani and Mrs Johl (Niam's mum and Aveer's mum) who came to talk to us about Diwali. Year 3 have been learning all about Hinduism and why Diwali is important to Hindus. The children were able to ask questions and learnt about the goddess Lakshimi, Rama and Sita and traditional clothing worn during the festival. We are very grateful to Mrs Rajani and Mrs Johl for giving up their time to speak to class 1. We learnt lots and enjoyed our visit and gifts given by our guests. Thank you!

Miss Gilbert - Year 3 Leader



Nurture group

This week, the children in our CSPA nurture group made spooky halloween biscuits and bright, colourful firework pictures. Wonderful work children - well done!





Stationary reminder!

To help your child fully access the curriculum, please ensure that they are always equipped with glue sticks, scissors, pencils and a ruler!

Pupils' Perspective is back!

Our much-loved school magazine is back up and running for the new academic year! There are lots of wonderful articles for you to enjoy, from both our experienced Year 6s, and our newly arrived Year 5 writers.

Please head to Google Classroom and join the new Pupils' Perspective classroom to enjoy reading about what's going on, how to slide into the green zone, old Ukrainian cars, and much more...

Mrs Nicholas, Mrs Ditty and Magazine Club



International Evening: Wednesday 8th November

On Wednesday 8th November we will be having our first International Evening for a few years. We hope it will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience food and cultures from all over the world, and a chance for our whole school community to come together. The event will run from 5-6.30pm.

For this to happen, we need your help! We would love to have anything that you feel able to bring along. It could be from your heritage country, a country you have visited, or just a cuisine you enjoy. Anything from a giant salad from South America to a plate of cookies from the UK would be greatly appreciated. Please ensure there are no nuts in any of your dishes.

We need to know in advance what is coming, so please could you fill in this google form when you have decided what you could bring, before Tuesday 7th

November.

[International Evening - Food Form](#)

If you would like to join together with others to prepare a selection of food from one country, please could you ensure that each dish is entered on a separate form.

The food will be labelled with ingredients, but children must be accompanied at all times in the hall for food tasting. If a child has any food allergies, please speak to the food provider(s) regarding the ingredients. We don't have the facilities to heat food, so please either bring it piping hot, or it might be best to bring a cold dish.

We also hope to have some entertainment from around the world during the evening. We will start the evening with a French song from our Year 3 children, and close with a performance from one of our parents. If any of your children would like to perform a song, dance, poem or anything else from their own, or a different country, please could they let their class teacher know. They are welcome to perform alone, or as a group.

Everyone is welcome, there is no charge for attending the evening. There will be an opportunity to contribute a donation towards the cost of the event, for those who would like to.

Please feel free to come dressed in clothing that represents a country of your choice!

We are very much looking forward to seeing our school family enjoying an evening of food and fun together.

Mrs Nicholas (French Teacher)



Remembrance Day Parade, Sunday 12th November

For many years, Chalfont St Peter Church of England Academy has always taken part in events to mark the time of remembrance both in and out of school.

I am writing to invite your child and family to join the school at the village Remembrance Day parade and wreath laying ceremony on Sunday 12th November.

If your child would like to represent the school on this occasion, they should wear their school uniform and meet with me outside The Royal British Legion Club on Nicol Road at 2:20pm in order to march through the village to Chalfont St Peter Parish Church for the laying of wreaths ceremony which we take part in as a school. Parents and family members are invited to walk behind as part of the parade. The organisers have asked for people not to arrive before 2:15pm as the road will still be open. The parade starts promptly at 2:40pm and is followed by the laying of the wreaths and a short ceremony at 2:50pm.

Following this ceremony there will be a voluntary short service for the children and their parents, this will be hosted by the Gold Hill Baptist Church at The Hub on Church Lane. After the parade and the wreath ceremony, parents may choose to collect their child or join the service at the Hub. Please note that although staff will be present, parents should also remain present and take full responsibility for their child/children.

If you would like to join me and the school on this special occasion, please complete the form by [clicking here](#).

In preparation for remembrance the Year 6 children will be selling poppies all next week. If you wish for your child to buy a poppy, please send them into school with a small amount of change.

Choir Activities - Save the Dates!

The choir has been invited to sing at two events in the run up to Christmas. If your child is in the choir, or if you are able to come along and support the children singing, please save these dates:

Friday 1st December - singing at Chalfont St Peter Fun Night (7.15 pm - 7.25 pm)

Thursday 7th December - Maria Taylor Carol Concert at St Peter's Church (service begins at 7pm)

We are aware that year 6 children in the choir will be unable to attend the Maria

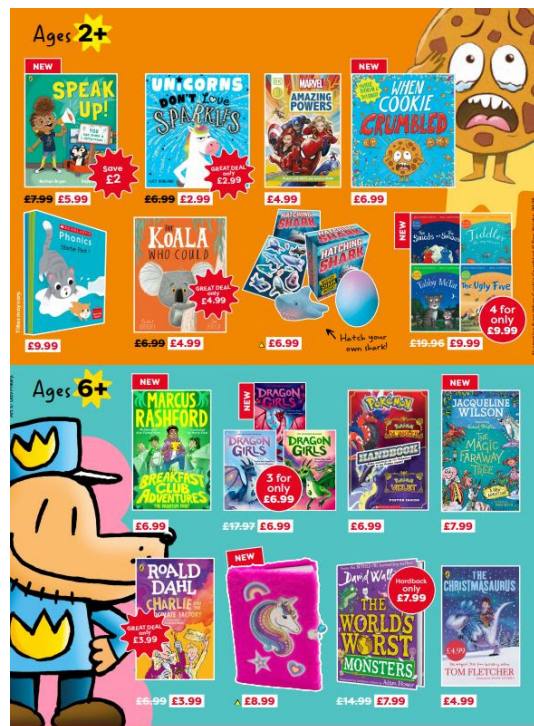
Taylor Concert because it is the same week as the Year 6 production. An email with further details and sign-up forms will be sent out to the children in choir in due course.

Miss Goldsack



Scholastic Book Fair is coming!

The Scholastic book fair is coming to CSPA from Wednesday 15th - Monday 20th November. The Book Fair will be open after school on these dates. The fair is a perfect chance to purchase some recommended reads for your child or even stock up on a few Christmas gifts!



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- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in **£5, £10, £15, £20** and **£25**. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.
- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List – please ask your school for details.

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Reminder: CSPA Open Mornings

Please signpost anyone you know looking for a September 2024 place to our remaining Open Morning!



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SCAN TO BOOK

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Home resource: Firework Safety

Each week in our newsletter we share a short article, resource or video to support families.

Enjoy fireworks night this weekend but take care and keep safe. For more information about how to keep safe and how to look after children and keep them safe, click [here](#).



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

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Hours can be flexible and during term time are
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PTA News

Watch this space for news of this year's 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 Meeting

Thank you to the small but enthusiastic group of parents and members of staff who joined our PTA meeting on Wednesday evening. We reviewed the fantastic events which happened in 2022/23 and thanked many people for their time, hard work and support. Without your generosity, we wouldn't have raised in the region of £20,000 and quite simply, the wonderful refurbishment of Year 5 wouldn't have happened. We also talked about this academic year and plans are already underway for many events for 2023/24. We hope to continue our refurbishment project in other areas of the school and will share a more specific fundraising focus very soon!

Upper School Bingo Night

We are looking forward to hosting our Upper School Bingo Night on Friday 10th November. There are still a few tickets available on ParentPay.

If you are able to help on the night, we are still short of a couple volunteers to run the bar. Please email pta@cspacademy.org.uk if you can help.

The school and PTA would like to extend a big thank you to Jayne Webster, our PTA treasurer who has not only organised floats for all three of this terms' bingo events, but also has the task of counting the money! Thank you Jayne!



CSPA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Tickets are now available on ParentPay for the PTA's cosy Christmas Wreath making workshop. Tickets are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

When: Friday 24th November

Where: Chalfont St Peter Parish Church Hall Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Price: £35

This will be a lovely start to the festive season where you'll make your own

Christmas wreath under the guidance of trained florist Gemma Kelly.

We'll supply all the materials you need, mince pies, mulled wine and have a festive bar open - all you need to bring is a pair of secateurs and your Christmas spirit!

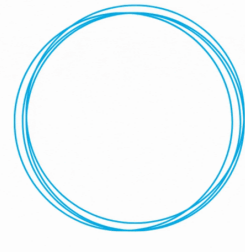
We look forward to seeing you there.

The PTA



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
w/c 6.11	Walk to School week	All week	ALL
Wed 08.11	International Evening	5- 6.30pm	ALL
Fri 10.11	Upper School Bingo	6 - 8pm	Y5 & Y6 - tickets only
Sun 12.11	Remembrance Parade	2.20 pm - 3pm	ALL
w/c 13.11	Anti Bullying week	All week	ALL
Wed 15.11 - Mon 20.11	Book Fair	After School	ALL
Fri 17.11	Open Morning	9 - 11am	Prospective Parents
Fri 24.11	PTA Wreath making	7 - 9pm	ALL: ticketed event
Fri 01.12	CSP Village Fun Night	CSPA to perform 7.15pm	ALL



SAVE THE DATES:

Chalfont St Peter Fun night: Fri 1st December

Year 6 production: week commencing 4th December

Year 4 Nativity: week commencing 11th December

Close for Christmas: Tues 19th December 1:30pm

[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.

Core Fitness

Core Fitness are now offering a membership to your kids / teens to come and train with us and learn how to train in a gym. We will of course be supervising them the whole time.

£50 a month membership that will allow them access on a Monday or Wednesday to drop in any time between 3:20pm & 5pm. We will be here to teach them how to train safely and get them to follow a pre programmed workout in our studio.

They can come once a week or twice a week, start when they arrive and stay as long as they need to between these hours.

They can train in their school PE kit and get changed here if needed.

Contact us today to book them in.

Scott



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Value prayer: trust

Dear God,

Give us clarity and wisdom as you move us towards your will. Help us to trust in all that you are doing. Thank you for listening, hearing, leading, and guiding us each and every day.

Amen



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