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Headteacher's Welcome

As I write this the whole school are being treated to a professional performance of 'Robin Hood' by M&M Productions, kindly paid for by the PTA. The performance is a culmination of a fantastic Arts week in school. The children have explored the marvels of the French speaking world and have created so many fantastic pieces of art work as well as taking part in either a samba drumming or African dance workshop. I hope that you have enjoyed hearing all about the highlights of the week and join me in thanking staff, especially organiser Mrs Nicholas, for going above and beyond in planning such memorable and fun learning experiences.

This week the newsletter contains:

- Staff update
- Curriculum news: Arts week, Diya lamps, Pupil's Perspective & International Evening
- Remembrance Day Parade
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Sports News: Y5 Sports Festival
- Open Morning dates
- Home resource: kids eat for free @ half term
- CSPA absence procedures
- PTA news including NEXT PTA MEETING DATE
- Calendar dates
- Community events
- Values prayer: thankfulness

Today is my last day at CSPA ahead of baby Harrison making their entrance sometime in the next few weeks. During my absence, I am confident that our dedicated and talented staff will continue to nurture, inspire, and guide our children through their CSPA journey. The foundation we have built together is strong, and I have every confidence in their ability to uphold the high standards we have set.

Rest assured that I will be keeping a watchful eye on the school's progress, albeit from a different perspective. I look forward to returning with fresh energy and renewed enthusiasm to continue our shared mission of providing exceptional education and fostering a nurturing environment for our children.

In my absence, please feel free to reach out to Mrs Alburg who will be assuming the role of Interim Head Teacher. She is an exceptional leader and shares our collective commitment to the success and well-being of our CSPA family.

With best wishes,
Mrs Harrison

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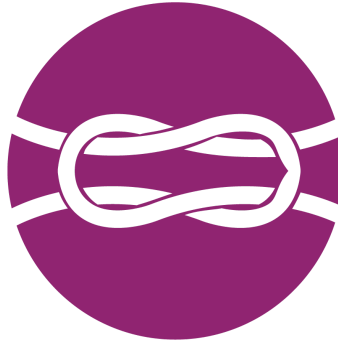


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Our half term Value:

Next 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**.

TRUST

'My God is my strength in whom I trust.'

Psalm 18.2

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Never be afraid to **trust** an unknown future to a known God.
(Corrie Ten Boom)

Trust yourself, you know more than you think.
(Benjamin Spock)

Corrie Ten Boom faced many risks and challenges in her life. She got through them because she trusted God to provide what she needed. Do you **trust** God to help you?

Can you remember an occasion when you surprised yourself by what you were able to achieve?

Trust is the most valuable thing you will ever earn.
(Anon)

Trust takes years to build, seconds to break.
(Anon)

How **trustworthy** are you?

What do you think this saying means? Try to put it into your own words.

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.



Staffing Update

There have been some changes to our staffing structure this week which sadly sees several wonderful members of our school staff leave us to embark down a new path.

Mrs Hicks (Learning Support Assistant) has made the difficult decision not to return to CSPA following her maternity leave and instead will enjoy staying at home with her lovely son, Rory!

Mrs Moody (Finance Assistant) has accepted a new HR role in her children's school and will start with immediate effect after half term.

Lastly, Mrs Waegner (Music Teacher) has also accepted a new role as a SENDCo in another school and will be leaving CSPA early next half term. Mrs Alburg will write to you soon to share our continuity plan for Music lessons at CSPA.

All three ladies have been valuable members of our team for a number of years and will be sorely missed by us all, however we are excited for each of them and have every faith that they will excel in their chosen chapters.



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** throughout the week. The chosen child receives a chocolate treat from Mrs Harrison, a certificate and a HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship.

**Chocolate Treat Friday will return on
Friday 3rd November!**



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!



Arts week!

For this Arts week we have looked at French speaking countries and had lots of fun doing all the activities. Every class rotated teachers throughout Arts week so we got to spend time with our old teachers. When we were in Year 3 we did Senegal sunsets using chalk pastels and silhouettes. In Year 5, for St Lucia we drew stamps and shanty homes for people who aren't as fortunate as us. In Year 4 we did French artists such as Claude Monet and Henry Matisse. In Year 6 we did Madagascar and we had dance offs with funny animals masks that we made, the boys won! We also watched a video about how to make a 3D gecko, which was fun to make.

We had a very interesting drumming workshop where we had different instruments such as the bass drum, the ganza and tambourin - it was a very enjoyable experience. Children in the lower school had a African dancing workshop. Apparently it was really funny as you had to do hilarious dance moves!

By Ilias and Ava (Year 6 Class 10)







Year 3 RE - Diya Lamps

Below are some pictures that Year 3 children made and painted over the last couple of weeks of Diya lamps.





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

To celebrate the richness of the many different cultures and faiths within our school we would like to invite you all to an international evening on Wednesday 8th November from 5-6pm. There will be a showcase of work from children during the evening as well as games and activities for all to enjoy. Our hope is that families will cook and prepare a small taster dish of cuisine from their culture / heritage / place they've lived to allow other families to perhaps experience something new. We will send out more information after half term but in the meantime, please have a think if this is something you can offer! 🙌

Mrs Nicholas (French Teacher)



Remembrance Day Parade, Sunday 12th November

Our school will again be participating in the village Remembrance Day Parade which is on Sunday, 12th November. The arrangements are as follows:

Children should assemble at 2.20 pm outside The Royal British Legion Club on Nicol Road. The march to the Parish Church, via Nicol Road, Market Place and

the High Street, starts at 2.40 pm. It will be led by the Chesham All Girls Band. We will carry our school wreath and then assemble in the churchyard for the first part of the Service round the War Memorial at 2.50 pm, and names will be read out for the laying of wreaths. The service then continues in Gold Hill Hub.

More information will follow after half term about how to sign up if you would like your child to participate in the parade with the school. Poppies will also be on sale after half term for children to purchase.



Scholastic Book Fair is coming!

The Scholastic book fair is coming to CSPA from Wednesday 15th - Monday 20th November. The fair is a perfect chance to purchase some recommended reads for your child or even stock up on a few Christmas gifts! More information about opening times and location will be shared nearer the date!



Sports News



Our school is well known for our inclusive and competitive approach to Sports. Keep up to date below with all of the latest fixtures and events.

Year 5 Sports Festival

Last week, pupils in Year 5 participated in a memorable Rounders Festival run by Amersham School. Our Year 5 children showcased their sporting prowess and team spirit as they competed in a series of thrilling Rounders matches. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Amersham School for organising the event. We are immensely proud of our Year 5 children for their performance and the positive representation they showcased during the Rounders Festival.

Miss Badrick (Year 5 Leader)



Reminder: CSPA Open Mornings

Please signpost anyone you know looking for a September 2024 place to one of our forthcoming Open Mornings!



CHURCH OF ENGLAND
ACADEMY

Open Mornings

Wednesday 1st and Friday 17th November 2023

at 9:00 am

Come and see what makes our school so special and why our children perform above national results in the KS2 SATs and 11+



SCAN TO BOOK

web: www.cspacademy.org.uk

socials: [@cspa_head](https://www.instagram.com/cspa_head)



Home resource: 31 places children can eat for free

Each week in our newsletter we share a short article, resource or video to support families with some topics that can often cause difficulties or tensions in the family home.

There are plenty of restaurants and cafes across the country where kids eat free or for £1 over the October half term. [CLICK HERE](#) to see all of the places kids can eat free or for just £1 over the half term.



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

VACANCY



Childcare Assistant

Breakfast, After School & Holiday Clubs
Chalfont St Peter

Busy Living is looking for an experienced person with a background of working within a school or childcare environment to support our breakfast, after school and holiday clubs.

Hours can be flexible and during term time are
7.30am-8.45am for the Breakfast Club and/or 3pm-6pm for the After School Club
Full training and support given.

Please email
info@busy-living.co.uk or call 07866 763 716 / 01494 702 702



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!!

Reminder: PTA Meeting

You are warmly invited to a PTA meeting on **Wednesday 1st November at 7pm** in the school hall. This is a great opportunity for you to be part of the school community and meet other parents. Please come along to share ideas and learn more about the school. Our meetings are very relaxed and informal, often with some light refreshments including a glass of wine or two! It will be wonderful to see some long-standing members of the PTA there alongside some new faces. I hope to see you on Wednesday 1st November at 7pm, but if you are unable to attend, please email the school office with your apologies and any suggestions, offers of help or comments. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Mrs Alburg (Assistant Headteacher)



Reminder: CSPA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

The PTA would love you to join them for a cosy Christmas Wreath making workshop on the evening of Friday 24th November. 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, all the mince pies you can eat and enough mulled wine to fuel you. All you need to bring is a pair of secateurs and your Christmas spirit!

More details to follow but pop this date in your diary now as spaces will be limited...

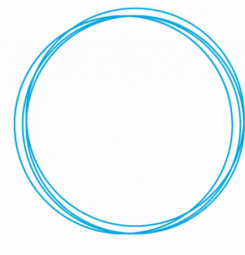
PTA Hot Lunch - thank you!

The children enjoyed a delicious hot lunch on Thursday. Thank you to everyone who was involved in helping to put it on!



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Mon 30.10	School reopens	8:30am	ALL
Tue 31.10	NO Kudos Athletics club	3:20pm	Kudos members
Wed 01.11	Open Morning	9 - 11am	Prospective Parents
Wed 01.11	PTA Meeting	7:00pm	ALL
w/c 6.11	Walk to School week	All week	ALL
Wed 08.11	International Evening	5- 6pm	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	Before & After School (tbc)	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	6 pm	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.

PFO Pure Football Opportunities

PFO Football Camp and PFO+ Camp
 PFO+ the camp for the less sporty and the more creative. Arts, crafts, dance, games, challenges and drama

DATE:
 Monday 23rd Oct - Wednesday 25th Oct

Year Group:
 1-7

Venue:
 Chalfont St Giles Junior School

Time: 10am - 3pm

Sibling Discounts And Earlybird Available

3 Day Camps

BOOK NOW AT PFOcamps.com

Price:
£25
 per day.

josh@pfold.co.uk
 07805955305

PFO Pure Football Opportunities

Chalfont Park FC

**CALLING ALL
FUTURE LIONESSES...**

DID YOU KNOW...
Many girls last season had never really tried football before and discovered a passion they never knew they had AND made great new friends along the way!

We're looking for girls to join our youth football club (years 4, 5 and 6), so we can expand upon our dedicated girls football section.

Children of all abilities welcome, including those completely new to football.



⚽ HAVE FUN
⚽ LEARN NEW SKILLS
⚽ BE PART OF A TEAM



Term-time Saturday 9 to 10.30am training. Extra training available Tuesday evenings. Frequent matches, home and away, Saturday mornings between 9 and 10.30am kick off (depending on fixture).

Chalfont Park Sports Club
Chalfont St Peter SL9 0QA

To register interest and receive information,
please contact Lindsay Khurana on 07711 333 502

**FREE trial for
2 weeks**

CHILTERN TABLE TENNIS

“BEGINNER/IMPROVER” COACHING AT CHILTERN HILLS ACADEMY HP5 2RG

Courses aimed at 9 to 15 year olds

Daily from 1000 to 1230 from WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER to FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER inclusive £27.00

Guarantee of not more than 2 players per table – limited number of places available

So book now to avoid disappointment

If you wish to book a place, please forward details of your age, name, em address?, and landline telephone no., together with the £27.00 fee to Mike Atkinson 35 Poles Hill, Chesham HP5 2QR. Any queries please phone 785609.

If you want to pay by BACS, just phone to get required details.

Mike Atkinson

(UKCC Level 2 Table Tennis Licenced Coach)

CALM LITTLE MINDS
SUPPORTING SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN

OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMP

When: Mon 23rd- Wed 25th October
Time: 10.00am-3.00pm
Where: Hazlemere C of E School
Cost: £35.00 per day - *Discounts Available*
Suitable for Ages: 4-10 years
Booking: www.calmlittleminds.co.uk
Email: Hello@calmlittleminds.co.uk

Early bird 9.30am
 £2 per child pay on the day

Discover Bucks Museum
 & Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

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

October Half-Term

23 - 28 October 2023
Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm
Saturday 10am - 4pm

Join us this October half-term for a fun-filled family-friendly week of arts and crafts topped off with a spooky family Halloween day on Saturday 28 October.

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org or scan the QR code





Value prayer: thankfulness

Dear God,

We know that you love us and always want the best for us.

Help us to look for the things for which we can give **thanks**.

Amen



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