

Friday, 10th January 2025



Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed a happy Christmas and a wonderful new year! As always, it feels good to have our school family together again after the break and we are all very much looking forward to the term ahead.

The start of the spring term has brought some very cold weather and I have taken the opportunity to share with you the arrangements for adverse weather conditions and the potential need to close the school. This will of course always be a last resort but it's good to be prepared just in case. A reminder of those arrangements is shared later in the newsletter.

The start of a new term provides a wonderful opportunity to reset and relaunch

as well as share some valuable reminders. Also in this week's newsletter, you will be reminded of our expectations for breaktime snacks, uniform and PE kits and attendance.

We are also relaunching our school vision and values which are our guiding messages for life at CSPA for every member of our school family. You can see some of the images promoting our vision and values below and read more about our vision and values on our school website.

[Vision and Values](#)

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend - take care in the cold weather!

Best wishes

Mrs Alburg

Key items:

- Adverse weather conditions
- CSPA expectations
- Vision and values
- Reading at CSPA
- Class assemblies reminder
- PTA News



Arrangements for Adverse Weather Conditions

I am writing to remind you of the arrangements should adverse weather conditions mean that Chalfont St Peter C of E Academy must be fully or partially closed.

This week, we were met with some heavy snow around drop off time and the Buckinghamshire Local Authority have also notified schools that the Amber Cold Health Alert for Buckinghamshire has been extended until 12pm on the 12th January 2015. They have provided additional guidance about keeping warm and well and staying safe in cold weather which I am sharing with you below:

[Keeping Warm and Well and Staying Safe in Cold Weather](#)

In the event that we are able to stay open, we will of course take action to ensure that the site is safe and the children are looked after. This may include changes to the usual timetable, staying inside during break and/or lunchtime and gritting and removing ice from priority areas and routes.

Should we need to close for the day or partially close with a late drop off or early pick up, all of the information you require is on our school website which is linked below:

[Adverse weather condition arrangements](#)

Should you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask.



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At CSPA, our core values are:



Our current half term value:

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


RESPECT



‘Do to others as you would have them do to you.’

Matthew 7.12

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Nobody can be happy without **self-respect**.
(Jean-Jacques Rousseau)

Why is self-respect important?

Respect is for those who deserve it, not for those who demand it.
(J. Johnson)

Who do you respect? Why do they deserve it?

Respect people's feelings. Even if it doesn't mean anything to you, it could mean everything to them.
(J. Johnson)

How do you feel when people don't show you respect?

Respect - give it to get it!
(Anon)

How can you show respect? What are the ways we can show respect?



CSPA Expectations

Uniform and PE Kit: You can read more about our school uniform and PE kits expectations [here](#). In order to be fair and consistent for every child, please can I ask you to support us by ensuring your child is meeting our uniform and PE kit expectations. In particular, may I remind you that hair long enough to be tied back should be and that children should not wear earrings to school. They should also not be wearing nail varnish.

Healthy snacks: Please may I ask that should children wish to have a snack at morning breaktime, it is a healthy choice (no unhealthy/high sugar options). Fresh fruit or vegetables is a preferred choice.

Attendance: You can remind yourselves about our expectations for high school attendance [here](#). I have also shared below a link to NHS guidance entitled 'Is my child too ill for school?'

[Is my child too ill for school?](#)

Thank you for your support and for working together with us. It is very much appreciated.

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.





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 a triple chocolate chip muffin!

Year 3: Rory M, Max, Barry

Year 4: Arthur, Julius, Honor

Year 5: Will, Carlton, William

Year 6: Matthew, Rhia, Dhiani

Class Assemblies

We are delighted to share plans welcoming you to join some of our CSPA assemblies and collective worship. Throughout the school year, every class and their teacher/s will be creating and presenting an assembly to the rest of their year group and you are invited to come into school and watch your child's class assembly. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to showcase their learning, build their confidence and experience performing and presenting in front of others. We are thrilled to be opening our doors and welcoming parents into school for another chance to be part of your child's CSPA journey, build positive relationships and engage with our whole school community.

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:

Friday 24th January 2025: Year 6 Class 11

Friday 31st January 2025: Year 5 Class 7

Friday 7th February 2025: Year 4 Class 4

Friday 7th March 2025: Year 3 Class 1

Friday 28th March 2025: Year 6 Class 12

Friday 2nd May 2025: Year 5 Class 9

Friday 23rd May 2025: Year 4 Class 6

Friday 20th June 2025: Year 3 Class 2

Friday 11th July 2025: Year 6 Class 10

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.



Reading at CSPA

Over the next few weeks, we will be sharing some plans to further develop and encourage reading at CSPA . As a starting point, shared below are some links to some recommended reading books for each year group. We hope you find them useful and look forward to sharing more reading news and updates in the coming weeks:

[Recommended reads - Year 3](#)

[Recommended reads - Year 4](#)

[Recommended reads - Year 5](#)

[Recommended reads - Year 6](#)



Did you know that our local library has over 11,000 books available to borrow, as well as a number of other very useful facilities?

Library Facilities:

Chalfont St Peter Community Library has a range of facilities available to the public including:

- Public Computers on both floors
- Photocopying, scanning and printing
- Free Wi-Fi and free internet access
- Free online resources
- Access to the free E-library

How to borrow:

Adults and children aged 13 or over can apply for their own library membership card from the library or from the website. Children under 13 need permission from their parent to get a library card. They also need parents' permission to use computers in the library. Children can take out up to 30 books at any one time – yes, up to 30 at any one time! There is a dyslexia friendly book section. Books are available for all ages, abilities and interests of readers. The library is also a place where children can do homework and use the wifi.

Opening hours: 10am to 5pm Tuesday, Wednesday Friday and 10am-1pm Saturday.

It's entirely managed and run by volunteers Please support your local community library!

<https://csp-communitylibrary.co.uk/>

<https://www.instagram.com/csp.library1/>

[https://www.facebook.com/stories/107957154850408/?](https://www.facebook.com/stories/107957154850408/?source=EMBED_PAGE&ref=embed_page)

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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

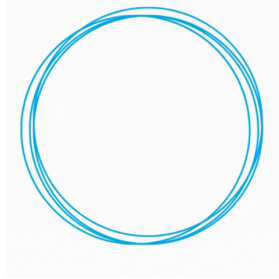
Watch this space for PTA news as we approach our fundraising target! Have an idea of what you would like the PTA to purchase for the children? Come along to the next meeting to share your ideas!!



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP

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SAVE THE DATES:

Friday, 28th February 2025 - PTA Quiz and Curry Night

[Click here](#) to view the full school calendar
[Click here](#) to access the extra curriculum timetable

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.

Our CSPA School Prayer

Dear Lord,

As we come together, we ask for your guidance
as we make our journey through life,

As we work together, help us to show commitment
and dedication,

As we play together, help us to show tolerance
and kindness,

And as we look to the future, help us to show
determination and courage in all we do,

Lord, we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your
son.



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