



School Newsletter 11.9.26

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THANK YOU!

CSPA Fund

We value and appreciate any support you may be able to give the school so we can continue to provide the best learning and development opportunities during your child's four-year journey with us. You can also read more about how to give to the school by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.cspacademy.org.uk/parents/cspa-fund>

Thank you so much to those families who have already made a contribution.

Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to the first newsletter for this academic year! It's wonderful to be back! Welcome back to all of our existing families following the summer break and I extend a very special welcome to new families who have joined us in Year 3 and across the school.

The summer break was much-needed for us all but it's good to be back together again as a school family. It has been a super start to the year and I have been proud to see the children start the new school year with such positivity. I have been especially impressed with our Year 3 children who have settled brilliantly! Likewise, staff have returned to school with renewed energy and their usual dedication to the children. We now officially welcome new members of staff to CSPA across the school - welcome to everyone!

At the very start of this new school year, I would like to pay tribute to our many Year 6 children who tackled the challenge of the 11+ tests this week. They showed such maturity and incredible focus - we couldn't be more proud of them. They were a credit to the school and to their families and I pass on my huge congratulations to them all!

In response to feedback and to move forward, we are rethinking our newsletters to parents. From next week, you will continue to receive a weekly newsletter which specifically shares news about each year group and any whole school news. Regular newsletters will also be sent from myself with news and updates from the Headteacher and also on a regular basis, you will receive a PTA newsletter. It is my hope that you will still receive high-quality communication but that the information you receive will be streamlined, better organised and more focussed. This week will be an opportunity to remind you of some key pieces of information so please take some time over the weekend to catch up!

The new year provides a wonderful opportunity to refresh, reset and look

ahead. We have many wonderful plans for the children so they flourish during their first or next stage of their CSPA journey. I am so excited for the year ahead and look forward to inspiring our wonderful school to continued joy and further success.

Enjoy the weekend and take care!

Mrs Alburg

Uniform and PE Kits

The start of the new year is an ideal time to remind families about our school uniform and PE kit policy. Children should wear PE kits on the days they are taking part in sport:

Year 3 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 4 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 5 - Monday and Thursday

Year 6 - Wednesday and Friday

If children are doing a sports club after or before school, they can wear their PE kits to school.

Please may I remind you that hair which is long enough to tie back should be and that we prefer for earrings not to be worn to school. If they are worn, they should be plain gold/silver studs. Earrings must not be worn on PE days. For more information about our current uniform policy, you can click [here](#).

Attendance

This week, I wrote to all parents about the vital importance of strong attendance and asked for parents to prioritise school attendance for their children.

If you missed the email, please click [here](#) to view the dedicated attendance page on our website.

Class assemblies

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 in the process of finalising the dates and these will be shared with you next week.



Children's use of screens and smartphones

From September 2026, we will not allow children to bring smartphones or smartwatches to school. If you wish for your child to have a phone for safety reasons if they are walking to/from school, we ask that it is basic, 'brick' phone which does not use the internet. You will have seen in the letter that both local secondary and primary schools are in support and I hope that unity and strength in numbers will support parents.

A number of children have returned wearing smart watches which is causing some issues for us in school as some children are using them to play games. Please may I ask that if your child wears a watch to school, it is a simple watch for telling the time only.

[Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

[CSPA dedicated page - Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

[Parent Pact](#)

[Chalfont St Peter WhatsApp group](#)

Parking and Safety

We have barely started the school year and I am already concerned for the safety of our families when they arrive to drop off and at pick up at the end of the day. Parents are driving too fast along Church Lane, turning around in Cordens Close and parking where they shouldn't be which has already led to concerned parents and complaining numbers - understandably so.

Please may I remind you that in order to keep our children and families safe when arriving and leaving school, we ask that you do not park in Cordon's Close or on the double yellow lines (the police have checked and issued fines in the past), but instead use the Church Lane Car Park. All parents have been emailed a permit from the school office, which allows you to park for 45 minutes at drop off and pick up times without having to get a ticket. The safety of our children is paramount - reversing and driving so close to the school, where children are crossing the road is very dangerous. Please support us to keep everyone safe!

May I also ask you to respect our neighbours along Church Lane by not walking along or sitting on their garden walls.

Thank you for your support.

Children Walking to and from School

Please may I draw your attention to our policy for children walking to and from school.

[CSPA Walking to and from school](#)

Meet the Teacher and Year Group Presentations

Following the Year 3 and 4 meetings and presentations this week, you can access Miss Goldsack's and Mrs Campbell-White's presentations below:

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

The Year 5 and Year 6 presentations will be shared in next week's newsletter following Wednesday's meetings.

Wednesday 16th September

Year 5 parents meet in the hall at 3:30pm for the year leader presentation followed by time in the classrooms and to meet the teachers until 4:30pm - please arrive via the lower playground gates and make your way up the top playground where you will be able to drop off your child in the Year 5 classrooms where they will be supervised by members of staff. You will then be

able to make your way to the hall.

Meanwhile, Year 6 parents are welcome to visit their child's brand new classrooms and informally meet the Year 6 teachers who will be available from 3:30-4:00 once they have dismissed their classes on the playground. Year 6 parents should also arrive via the lower playground gates and make their way to the top playground and the Year 6 classrooms.

At 4pm, Year 5 parents will leave the hall and collect their child from the Year 5 classrooms. Until 4:30pm, you are welcome to speak with Year 5 teachers and spend some time in the classrooms. Year 6 parents will make their way to the hall for the Year 6 presentation and once again children are able to stay in the Year 6 classrooms where they will be supervised by school staff until the presentation has finished at 4:45pm.

Autumn Term Curriculum Information

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)



Reminder: Nut Free School

This is a reminder that we are a nut free school. Children are not allowed to bring anything containing nuts to school for their lunch or snacks. This includes Nutella and Pesto.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Our timetable for extra-curricular clubs and activities is now organised. **Please give teachers time to set up their clubs and please read the information shared on the website which is linked below.** Please note that some clubs are open, some are by invitation and some on a rota basis. Please see some information regarding some external clubs below.

[Autumn term clubs](#)

PTA Meeting

PTA Meeting Thursday 17th September At school 7:00pm	Our 2026/27 Target £25,000
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Parent Pay

Letters have been sent home today to all Year 3 parents. Please see details of instructions below to activate your account.

To ensure the smooth running of clubs, music lessons, activities and trips at Chalfont St Peter Academy we use a secure online payment website called ParentPay. Parents are asked to make all payments to school via the ParentPay website rather than sending cash or cheques into the school office.

New to ParentPay?

You will need to create your secure online account by visiting www.parentpay.com and using the unique activation username and password which will be sent home via a letter with all new Year 3 children and emailed to other new families. You will then be prompted to change these to something more memorable and private to you. If you have two or more children at a ParentPay school, you only need to activate one account to create your 'main account' and then add your

other children via the **Add a child tab** on your home page.

Already have a ParentPay account?

If you already have a ParentPay account, either with our school or another ParentPay school, you can simply login to that account and add your other children via the **Add a child** tab on your home page. You will need the activation username and password to do this.

Please visit www.parentpay.com and activate your account via the **Account login** area on the home page of the site.

ParentPay holds an electronic record of your payments to view at a later date. Once you have activated your account you can make online payments straight away.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need assistance. Your support in using ParentPay will help the school enormously, thank you.

Year 4 Residential Trip to Osmington Bay - May 2027

After another hugely successful visit to Osmington Bay in Dorset with the children of Year 4 last summer we are delighted to be planning a return visit in May 2027.

This will be residential for 2 nights, with the party leaving school on Wednesday 5th May and returning on Friday 7th May 2027.

Whilst we stay at Osmington Bay, the children will take part in a range of exciting activities which could include – archery, abseiling, climbing, zip wire, giant swing to name but a few, all conducted by experienced leaders in a safe environment.

The children's accommodation will be in groups of 4 with en suite facilities for each room. All meals are included with a good selection of hot and cold menus. PGL is able to cater for all dietary requirements.

At this moment in time we need to confirm our booking with PGL. **To reserve a place for your child, please could you complete the Google form [here](#) and make a deposit payment of £80 via parentpay by 1st October. This deposit is non-refundable.**

The cost of the trip is £320 per pupil inclusive of travel, full board accommodation and equipment. Should there be any difficulties in making payments, a confidential chat with myself may enable us to secure support where it is needed. If this is the case, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We would ask that the deposit of £80.00 be paid by ParentPay at www.parentpay.com by the 1st October 2026. The deposit is non-refundable. The remaining £240 needs to be paid by 1st March 2027, and we would ask parents to pay at least the minimum instalments by the following dates:

£60 by 1st November 2026

£60 by 1st December 2026

£60 by 1st February 2027

£60 by 1st March 2027

Could I please ask you to respond to say if you would not wish your child to attend. If children do not attend, provision is made in school for them for the 3 days.

If you have any questions regarding the trip please make contact via the school office.

Mrs Valentine



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 HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship.

Congratulations to the following children who received a chocolate muffin.

Year 3: Rory, Willow, Mariella

Year 4: Toby, Codie, Arthur

Year 5: Anja, Imogen, Emily

Year 6: Tommy, Olivia, Daya

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.



Please see message below and photos from parent Miss Simkova re litter picking:

"I and my kids David in Year 4 and Katerina (Lovel End Infant school - Y1 Oak) are members of Chalfont Saint Pickers. That's a group of volunteers of any age who regularly meet at least once a month and do litter picking all over CSP. Its a good thing to do and teach kids from young age that throwing trash in nature is wrong. Everyone is welcome. The meeting is usually on Saturday once a month. But litter picking can be done individually any time."



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

Class Coordinators

The CSPA PTA Class Coordinators do a fantastic job in helping to generate support, provide useful communication and offer a helping hand to organisers of our PTA events. Thank you to you all!

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to be a Class Coordinator. We still have two vacancies in Class 3 and one in Class 5. If you would like to take up the role of Class Coordinator for this class please let the school office know. Thank you.

Class 1	Maki Huxford and Hannah Bhamra-Ariza	Class 7	Helen Sheehan and Joanne Edwards
	Rachel Thorogood and Vanessa Vazquez-		
Class 2	Fitch	Class 8	Jeni Somani and Lydia Lucas
	Emma Burge and Sophie Baker		

Class 3	2 Vacancies	Class 9	Maki Huxford and Jacqueline Hurley
Class 4	Helena Simkova & Marta Navio	Class 10	Margaux Taylor and Sarah Watson
Class 5	Courtney Kaill & Vacancy	Class 11	Christy Lade and Kirsten Wagner
Class 6	Devi Pottath, Jo Ashmore and Karina Dahl-Wheeler	Class 12	Hannah Bhamra-Ariza and Emma Burge

PTA - The Parent Lottery

Please see details below of The Parent Lottery which has also been emailed out to parents.

The website is <https://www.theparentslottery.org/find-your-school>. Parents just need to search for the school and they can then either buy one off tickets or set up a direct debit. Tickets are £1 with 60% coming to the PTA.

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The parents lottery
Support your school with every ticket

£25,000 jackpot!

Support our school

Scan this QR code and enter our school name to join The Parents Lottery

How does it work?

There will be **guaranteed prizes** up for grabs each week including the chance to win the **£25,000 jackpot!** Keep your eyes on the Friday weekly draw to find out if you'll be a winner this week.

Choose us on The Parents Lottery list → £1 ticket entry into each weekly draw → Play with up to six tickets → Prize draw every Friday → Each ticket supports our school

The Parents Lottery is a weekly lottery promoted by Parentkind Enterprises Ltd (PRL Company no: 3884381), a wholly owned subsidiary of Parentkind. It is run under our remote operating licence (Licence no: 057904). The Parents Lottery is strictly for one-off play. Playing a lottery is a form of gambling. If you, or someone you know, needs information and/or help with a problem gambling, please call the National Gambling Helpline on 0808 8020 133.

Parentkind **The parents lottery**

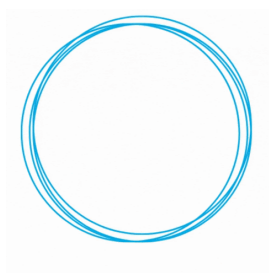
GambleAware GAMBLING COMMISSION



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Wednesday 16 September	Year 5 and Year 6 Presentation to parents and Meet the Teachers	3.30 pm - 4.45 pm	Year 5 and Year 6 parents
Thursday 17 September	PTA Meeting	7pm	All parents
Friday 25 September	PTA Bingo Night - lower school (Yr3 & Yr4)	6 pm - 8 pm	Year 3 and Year 4 children and parents
Monday 28 September	Harvest service at St Peter's Church	AM	All children
Friday 2 October	PTA pre-loved uniform sale - school playground	3.20 pm	All parents
Monday 5 October	Pupil portrait photographs	AM	All children
Friday 9 October	11+ results		Year 6
Wednesday 14 October	Open Morning	9am - 11.30 am	Prospective Parents
Friday 16 October	PTA Bingo Night - upper school (Yr5 & Yr6)	6pm - 8pm	Year 5 and Year 6 children and parents
Monday 19 October	Parents' Evening	4pm - 7pm	Parents
Thursday 22 October	Flu Vaccinations	AM	All children (consent needed)
Thursday 22 October	Parents' Evening	4pm - 7pm	Parents
Friday 23 October	PTA Hot Lunch	Lunch	All children who want a lunch
Sunday 8 November	Remembrance Day Parade	pm	All children welcome
Wednesday 11 November - Monday 16 November	Book Fair	TBC	All
Friday 13 November	Open Morning	9am - 11.30 am	Prospective Parents

Friday 11 December	PTA Hot Lunch	Lunch	All children who want a lunch
December - Dates to be confirmed	Year 4 Nativity		Year 4
December - Dates to be confirmed	Year 6 Christmas Production		Year 6
Friday 18th December	School closes at 1.30 pm for Christmas holidays	1.30 pm	All



SAVE THE DATES:

**Wednesday 16th September
Year 5 and Year 6 Presentation to Parents
and Meet the Teachers - 3.30 pm - 4.45 pm**

**PTA Meeting
Thursday 17th September - 7pm**

**PTA Bingo Night for Year 3 and Year 4
children and adults
6 pm - 8 pm - Friday 25th September**

**PTA Bingo Night for Year 5 and Year 6
children and adults
6 pm - 8 pm - Friday 16th October**

[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.

PET SERVICE

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER | 11 AM
OUTSIDE THE PARISH CHURCH

Bring your pets or a photo of them!



BUBBLE CHURCH

Church service for little ones!
Book NOW at bubblechurch.org

When? Sunday, 20 Sep
Time? 10am
Location? Parish Church Hall
Church Lane,
Chalfont St Peter,
SL9 9RJ

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At CSPA, our core values are:



Our current half term value:
GENEROSITY

A poster with a blue background and a subtle pattern. At the top is a circular logo with an apple. Below it, the word 'GENEROSITY' is written in large white capital letters. In the center is a photograph of two young boys in school uniforms; one is holding a small packet. At the bottom, a white speech bubble contains the quote 'God loves a cheerful giver.' in blue text. Below the speech bubble, the reference '2 Corinthians 9.7' is written in small white text.

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Real generosity is doing something nice for someone who will never find out. *(Frank A Clark)*

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then just feed one." *(Mother Teresa)*



Have you ever been **generous** without telling anyone?



Remember one small way you have shown **generosity** to one person. (You don't always have to do big things for lots of people.)

A community flourishes when people plant trees under which they will never sit. *(A Greek proverb)*

Use what talent you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those who sang best. *(Henry Van Dyke)*



When has your **generosity** served to help future generations?



Have you ever been put off doing what you are able to do because someone might be able to do it better?



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.

Amen



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