



July 2026

Castle Hills Academy Newsletter

Enjoy the Sunshine!

As we reach the end of another successful summer term, I would like to thank our pupils, families and staff for their hard work, enthusiasm and continued support throughout the year. It has been a busy and exciting term, filled with memorable learning experiences, educational visits and sports events. Our children have demonstrated resilience, kindness and determination, making us all incredibly proud.

A special congratulations goes to our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to move on to secondary school. We wish them every success and happiness in this exciting new chapter.

Thank you to everyone who has supported school events and fundraising activities this term. Your generosity and involvement help strengthen our wonderful school community.

I hope you all enjoy a safe, relaxing and well-deserved summer holiday with your families. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Thursday 3rd September, refreshed and ready for another exciting year of learning and achievement.

Mr Harris, Headteacher

RESULTS

We are extremely proud of our Year 6 children and the wonderful results they gained in their Year 6 SATS examinations.

Subject	Achieving expected+	National
Reading	82%	75%
Writing	74%	73%
Maths	76%	75%
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	79%	74%
Combined (pupils attaining in all subjects)	71%	63%

CHPA achieved above national averages in all areas. Well done!



#TEAMCASTLEHILLS

On Sunday 28th June, the Castle Hills Cheerleading Squad travelled to the National Cycling Centre in Manchester to participate in the National Schools Cheer and Dance Championship. After a 4th place finish last year, the team were hoping for a podium place. The competition was fierce but our children performed brilliantly and secured second place. An amazing achievement!



Uniform Expectations: We will continue to uphold expectations for school uniform, including: dark grey or black trousers or skirt, white shirt or polo shirt, royal blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan, white, grey or black ankle/knee length socks, grey or black tights and practical black shoes (not trainers). PE Kit should include: white T shirt & shorts or plain, dark tracksuit bottoms in the colder months. All pupils must come to school in their PE kit on their allocated day. Correct uniform must be worn at all times during the day. Uniform must also be worn for educational visits unless otherwise stated. All items of uniform must be clearly marked with the pupil's name.



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The Year 6 prom was a memorable celebration marking the end of primary school and the beginning of a new chapter. Everyone dressed smartly, enjoyed music, dancing and delicious food with friends and teachers. It was a fun-filled evening full of laughter, excitement and friendship, giving everyone a chance to say goodbye before starting secondary school together.



Governing Body: Our school is brilliantly supported by our team of Governors made up of parents, staff and members of the local community. Our parent roles are filled but we are seeking to fill a vacant community member with somebody who has expertise in finance. If you know of anybody that may be suitable, please ask them to contact the school for more details.

Fundraising

A huge thank you to our community for supporting our summer fair and raffle. In total we raised over £2200! Below are our raffle winners:

- Bawtry Paintball – James Stringfellow
- Bawtry Paintball -Natalie Manion
- Astrabound – Rowan Fletcher
- Savoy Cinema – Oskar Lipski
- Afternoon Tea – Sara Haddington
- Go Bounce – Mandy Seaman
- Brandy – Gemma Hardisty
- Tequila – Leslie O
- Cocktails – Verity Bennett

TEACHING & LEARNING

During the first half of the autumn term, our class literacy focus is new beginnings. Below are the class books that we will be studying:

- 1P – **The Day the Crayons Quit** by Oliver Jeffers
- 1/2A and 1/2K – **The Day War Came** by Nicola Davies
- 3/4M and Y3/4P – **Harriet Versus the Galaxy** by Samantha Baines
- 4/5R – **Boy Giant** by Michael Morpurgo
- 5/6T – **Goldfish Boy** by Lisa Thompson
- 6N – **The Final Year** by Matt Goodfellow

