

CASTLE HILL ST. PHILIP'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



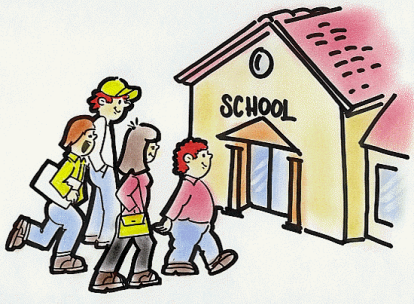
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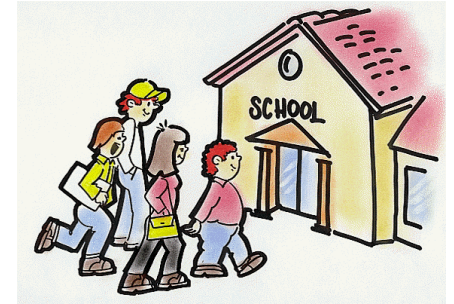
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September 2016 Newsletter



We would like to extend a very warm welcome back to all pupils in Years 1 to 6 and a special welcome to all children new to our school, particularly those in our reception class. As always, we aim to build open, positive and strong relationships between home and school. If parents/carers have any questions please do not hesitate at any time to approach either the class teachers, the office staff or senior leaders.

MEET THE TEACHER EVENTS

We warmly invite all parents/carers to meet their child's class teacher and learn about class procedures, the curriculum and how to help children make the most of the year ahead. Dates for these meetings are on the reverse of this newsletter.

E-VOUCHERS

Children are entitled to Pupil Premium Funding (those eligible for free school meals) will soon be issued with their annual £50 e-voucher which can be spent on school educational visits or experiences. Please be aware that any arrears or outstanding money will be taken out by school prior to issuing of the e-vouchers. If you think your child should be eligible and you don't receive a voucher or if your circumstances have changed please speak to Mrs McHugh in the office.

PASSPORT FORMS

We are being asked to complete an increasing number of passport forms for parents/carers/children in school. School are happy to assist parents with this task but we need to ensure this task is managed appropriately. Therefore, in future, passport forms will be completed by our office staff and signed by Mrs Hilton. We will need a few days to complete forms and a £5 contribution to school funds. Please make requests to the school office.

CHRISTIAN VALUES

As a Church of England primary school we aim to develop and promote a range of Christian values in our children. Our Christian value this half term is 'perseverance'. Your child will be learning about what perseverance is and how to develop their own perseverance during assemblies and in Personal, Social and Emotional lessons this half term. Please encourage your child to discuss perseverance—or not giving up—at home and listen as they explain their learning.

E-SAFETY

As children now use a wide range of ICT equipment and access content on line, including social media and social networking sites, it is imperative that parents/carers keep their children safe online. The 'Think You Know' website is a useful website to help parents learn about how to keep children safe online. It can be found at:

www.thinkyouknow.co.uk

PLANNERS

Your child will be issued with their new 2016/17 school planner this week. Please ensure you complete the Home-School Agreement, Consent Form and Parent/Guardian Guide to the Internet at the front of the planner as soon as possible.

DIARY DATES

Friday 9th September	3.20 pm—4.00 pm	Y6 Meet the Teacher Meeting
Monday 12th September		Y6 Anderton Centre Residential
Monday 12th September	3.20 pm —4.00 pm	Year 2 Meet the Teacher
Tuesday 13th September	3.20 pm—4.00 pm	Year 1 Meet the Teacher
Wednesday 14th September	3.20 pm—4.00 pm	Year 5 Meet the Teacher
Thursday 15th September	3.20 pm—4.00 pm	Year 3 Meet the Teacher
Friday 16th September	3.20 pm—4.00 pm	Year 4 Meet the Teacher
Friday 30th September	10.30 am	Year 5 Class Assembly in church
Wednesday 5th October	2.45 pm	Year 4 Class Assembly
Wednesday 19th October	2.45 pm	Year 6 Assembly
Friday 21st October	3.20 pm	Break up for half term

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance target is 95%. We expect children to be in school, on time every day unless they are too poorly to attend. Please support your child in their learning by ensuring they attend school as frequently as possible. When a child's attendance drops below 95% parents/carers will be issued with a letter of concern or invited into school to discuss attendance.

Hello,
September!