



NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 8 – December 4, 2024

WHAT'S ON

Thursday December 5

Platinum Assembly Years 2, 5 & 6

Monday December 9

Presentation Assemblies

Years 3 & 4 - 9.30am-10.20am

Years 5 & 6 - 11.15am-12.30pm

Tuesday December 10

Presentation Assembly

Years K, 1 & 2 - 9.30am-10.30am

Thursday December 12

Gala Day

Tuesday December 17

Year 6 formal at Castle Hill RSL

Wednesday December 18

Year 6 Clap out

Last day of term for students

Thursday February 6

First day of term for Years K-6

Principal's Report

Platinum Award recipients

Congratulations to the following students who were either presented with their Platinum award earlier this week or will be presented with their award tomorrow.

YEAR 2

Elaine	2C
Devina	2C
Bill	2H
Sachit	2M
Callum	2P
Adelise	2P
Austin	2S

YEAR 3

Sithara	3A
Sophie	3A
Ella	3A
Abbie	3E
Mila	3E
Seah	3K
Hamish	3/4W

YEAR 4 & 5

Emma	4A
Yahdavan	4D
Rayan	4D
Max	4D
Amelia	4D
Celia	4E
Xavier	4E
William	4E
Aiden	4S
Elias	4S
Stefano	4S
Luca	3/4W
Oscar	5G

YEAR 6

Laraib	6A
Aashrita	6A
Ava	6A
Theresa	6A
Saarth	6A
Ishaan	6C
Tanurag	6C
Kourosh	6D
Henry	6D
Savannah	6L
Sunny	6L
Isaiah	6L
Sam	6L
Willow	6L
Benjamin	6R

PBL Fortnightly Expectation Focus



RESPONSIBLE

Be in the right place at the right time.

Schools Spectacular

Congratulations to each of our choir members who formed a part of a combined choir at last weekend's Schools Spectacular. From all reports, the performances were amazing, and I am sure that each of the students involved will treasure their memories of this opportunity for a long time to come. Thank you to Miss Speth and Miss Miu for working with our students throughout the year and for giving up a significant amount of personal time to accompany the students to rehearsals and performances.

Gala Day

Gala Day will be held next Thursday, 12 December and will be held in two sessions, owing to playground space restrictions, as follows:

10.00am – 11.30am: Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students

12.30pm – 2.00pm: Year 3, 4 and 5 students.

Again, I would like to emphasise that Gala Day will be a cash free event. Please note that tokens are available for pre-purchase online in \$5.00 increments via **SchoolBytes until Wednesday 11 December** while any sausage sizzle orders need to be pre-ordered via **Flexischools by 3.00pm Tuesday 10 December**.

<https://user.flexischools.com.au/login?returnUrl=/home>

Presentation Day Assemblies

There will be three assemblies this year with each assembly to be held in the Castle Hill High School Hall.

Assemblies will be as follows:

Monday 9 December: 9.30am - 10.20am Years 3 and 4

Monday 9 December: 11.15am - 12.30pm Years 5 and 6

Tuesday 10 December: 9.30am - 10.30am Years K, 1 and 2

For this year, only students who are receiving awards will attend their assembly. All other students will remain at school and stay in their normal class.

We request that parents who will be attending the assembly are responsible for transporting their child to the assembly and then back to school upon its completion.

Please note that while we intend to start each assembly at the specified time above, finish times for each assembly are indicative.

Planning for 2025

We are busily planning in preparation for next year. To allow us to plan as effectively as possible, we ask families who know that they won't be returning to Castle Hill Public School next year, to notify us via the link below. Similarly, if you are aware that your child will return to our school after Thursday 6 February 2025 due to an extended holiday or other reason, I ask that you also notify us via the link below:

[2025 Non returning / Late returning students](#)

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Should you have a specific request about your child's class placement next year, I ask that you put that request in writing to me via email at craig.oliver@det.nsw.edu.au .

Craig Oliver-Principal
[Craig.oliver@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:craig.oliver@det.nsw.edu.au)

News from the Deputies

Platinum Lunch and Presentation – Term 4

Our Term 4 Platinum Presentation and Lunches are being held this week. On Monday we recognised students from Years 3 and 4 – please see photos of recipients below.

We look forward to recognising recipients from Years 2, 5 and 6 on Thursday. Photos of these students will appear in next week's newsletter.



Thank
you

Thank you

Thank you to all our parents and community members we had a lovely Morning Tea this week to acknowledge and to thank all our Parent and Community members, we truly appreciate all that you do throughout the year.

Changes to the application process for 2026 - Opportunity Class (OC) and Selective High School

A reminder to all families in Year 3 and Year 5, that the application for Opportunity Class and Selective High School are open. Information was emailed to families in November. Parents wishing for their child to sit either exam, are asked to read the information contained in the email carefully and to pose any questions to Miss Machuca.

A reminder that a parent information session will be held on February 10, 2025, to discuss the assessments and to answer any questions. A time will be communicated before the end of the term.

Parents can also find some key dates below:

Key dates – applying for entry in 2026

- 7 November 2024 to 21 February 2025 – parents and carers apply for selective high school or opportunity class entry in 2026.
- 2-4 May 2025 – students sit the selective high school or opportunity class placement test for entry in 2026.
- 19 May 2025 – make up test date (approved illness/misadventure requests)
- Term 3, 2025 – placement outcomes and offers released to parents and carers
- Term 1, 2026 – students who gain entry begin attending their opportunity class or selective high school

Our school gates

Please be advised that our school gates are now being locked at 9am and then unlocked at 2:50pm to ensure the safety of our students. A reminder that if your child is late to school, they must report to the office for a late note. Similarly, if you need to collect your child from sick bay or for an appointment, you will need to access the school via the front gate of the school.

**Mrs Alex Kohary and Miss Danielle Machuca
Deputy Principals**

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Banksia** for their fantastic efforts in earning the most PBL points this year! As a reward, they celebrated today by proudly wearing green t-shirts. A big thank you to all our students, teachers, and families for their ongoing support and hard work in promoting positive behaviour across our school. Let's keep up the great work! ✨



SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR



Congratulations to our amazing Stage 3 Choir students for their incredible performance at the 2024 Schools Spectacular! This annual event, held at Qudos Bank Arena, is one of the largest youth variety productions in the world, showcasing the talents of students from across NSW. Our choir worked tirelessly through many rehearsals and put on a fantastic show, demonstrating their hard work, dedication, and love for music. Well done to everyone involved—you've made our school proud!



Positive Behaviour Learning Awards



Congratulations to Milly (2M) and Nethra (1G), whose 'Caught You Being Great' tickets were drawn out of the grade box, they got to spin the prize wheel, their prize was to have a photo taken in Mr Oliver's chair.

P&C News

President message

Here we are already in week 8! The term is flying by, and summer is almost upon us.

The P&C were amazed by the 112 entries we received for the canteen sign drawing competition. The three finalists artwork will be shown to the students this week for voting. The winning artist as voted by the students and staff will be awarded \$20.00 in canteen vouchers. The winner will be announced before the end of the school term.

The P&C is also busily preparing for our Annual Gala Day BBQ being held again this year on Thursday, 12 December. A BBQ will be available to students, staff and parents on the day. Please order your child's sausages and drinks through Flexischools as they will be delivered to classes like regular lunch orders. If parents order for themselves through Flexischools, please be aware that all sausages under a child's name will be delivered to their class. We will have limited quantities available on the day for parents and other family members to purchase from us directly with either cash or Eftpos. We will be set up outside Funhouse for sales.

We are still in need of volunteers for the Gala Day BBQ to help with setting up, cooking, packing and clean up. If you are available to help, please sign up at: <https://volunteersignup.org/CFMMQ>

Our last P&C meeting for 2024 will be held Wednesday, 11 December 2024 at 7.00pm online via Zoom. To register for this meeting, please visit:

<https://au01web.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Yld-yuqDgrEtfx2rLcHJ6MuR9ARPC41pYK>

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to become a financial member of the P&C, please feel free to contact me at the address below.

Erica Miller CHPS P&C President
president@chpspandc.org.au
<http://www.chpspandc.org.au>

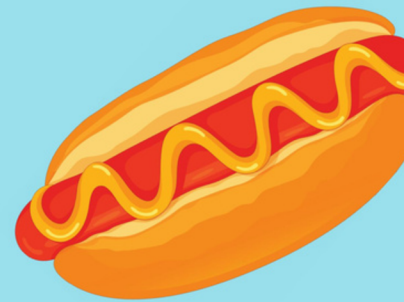
GALA DAY

2024

SAUSAGE

SIZZLE

\$3.50



DRINKS

\$2.50

Order through Flexischools by 3pm Tues, 10 Dec

Halal and vegetarian available

Proceeds will go to Stewart House



Canteen

Gala Day – Thursday December 12 2024

The canteen will be closed for normal recess and lunch orders on Thursday December 12 because of Gala Day.

Gala Day sausage sandwiches and Glee drinks and can be pre-ordered via Flexischools and will be delivered to your child's classroom on Gala Day.

Pre orders will close by 3.00pm Tuesday 10 December. <https://user.flexischools.com.au/login?returnUrl=/home>

ROSTER:



Monday December 09

Tuesday December 10

Wednesday December 11

Thursday December 12

Friday December 13

Melissa

Chris, Swikruti

Princess **Volunteer Required**

GALA DAY

Volunteer Required

If you would like to be added to our roster, even for just one day a month, or have any other questions at all about the canteen and the services we offer please reach out to us using one of the methods below.

- 0428 401 821 Telephone or text message
- canteen@chpspandc.org.au
- [Online Canteen Volunteer Form](#)

FORKS & SPOONS

Parents are reminded when packing their child, a lunch from home which requires a spoon or fork to eat with to please pack one. The canteen is happy to supply a spoon or fork at the cost of 20c.

**Tanya - Canteen Manager
Castle Hill Public School**

Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop open hours for the start of Term 1 2025

The uniform shop will be open after the school holidays - Monday 3 February 2025 8.30-11.30am.

If you need to exchange or purchase uniforms, we strongly encourage you to do that on Monday February 3, 2025.

We will be open on Thursday 6 February 2025 8.00-10.30am, however this will be an extremely busy day, usually with a very large queue and long wait times. Appointments are encouraged.

Uniform Purchases

If you need to purchase uniforms and accessories, the uniform shop is open Monday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-10:30am or you may purchase online through Flexischools and delivery will be made to your child's class.

Appointments are encouraged.

To make an appointment to visit the uniform shop, please visit

<https://outlook.office365.com/book/UniformShop1@chpspandc.org.au/>

Exchange is always available if you've ordered the wrong size provided the item hasn't been worn and is accompanied by the Flexischools receipt and original packaging.

Uniform donations in good condition are always welcome.

You can drop these into the uniform shop on Monday or Thursday mornings or any time during the day to the front office.

If you have any uniform questions, please contact our Uniform shop manager, Amanda at uniformshop@chpspandc.org.au

Amanda Turner
Uniform Shop Manager
Castle Hill Public School P&C Association

Book Club



Scholastic Book Club – Final Issue for 2025 Out Now!

If you haven't already done so please place your order online only by visiting www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. Orders will close at the end of TODAY Wednesday December 4, 2024, and will be distributed before the end of term. Please note that this might be during the last week of school.

- Preview Issue 8 here:

<https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/book-club/>

For every Book Club order placed, Scholastic gives back 15% of the order spend to the school, which is used to buy essential books and learning resources for the school library.

Sarah Newlove
Book Club Volunteer
sarah.p.newlove@gmail.com

CHPS STRING ENSEMBLE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR 2025

THE CHPS STRING ENSEMBLE IS LOOKING FOR INTERESTED PLAYERS TO JOIN US FOR 2025. WE ARE ACCEPTING BEGINNER TO ADVANCED PLAYERS. PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND HOW TO GET INVOLVED!



Castle Hill Public School

Term 4 - 2024

Month	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/	Sun
		14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Oct	1	First day for students			Kindergarten The Grufallo			
		21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Oct	2	Stage 1 Rouse Hill Estate excursion		Kindergarten 2025 Parent information night - via ZOOM	Stage 1 Rouse Hill Estate excursion	Stage 1 Rouse Hill Estate excursion		
		28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Oct	3		Kindy Orientation		Kindy Orientation	Kindy Orientation		
		Year 2 Swim Program						
		4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Oct	4		Kindy Orientation	Kindergarten 2025 Parent information night - via ZOOM	Kindy Orientation	Kindy Orientation		
		Year 2 Swim Program						
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Nov	5		Year 6 Surf Education excursion	MUFTi Day				
			Kindy Orientation		Kindy Orientation	Kindy Orientation		
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Nov	6							
		25	26	27	28	29	30	1
Nov	7							
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Nov Dec	8		Year 6 to 7 Orientation Day Stage 2 Science incursion					
		Year 6 High School Week						
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Dec	9	Presentation Day 9.30-10.20 Yrs 3-4 11.15-12.30 Yrs 5-6 Assemblies at Castle Hill High School	Presentation Day 9.30-10.30 Yrs K-2		Gala Day			
		16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Dec	10		Year 6 Formal Castle Hill RSL	Last day of term Year 6 Graduation and Clap Out	SDD	SDD		