Castle Hill Public School



NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 1 - April 30, 2025

WHAT'S ON

Wednesday April 30

Students First Day Term 2

Monday May 5

Stage 3 Assembly 2.00pm

Friday May 9

Winter PSSA commences

PBL Fortnightly **Expectation Focus**







RESPONSIBLE

Be in the right place at the right time.

ANZAC Day Service

Castle Hill Public School was represented at the ANZAC Day service held at the Centenary of ANZAC Reserve by our school captains and vice-captains, who laid a wreath on our school's behalf. Thank you to Rose and lverson who did a superb job in representing our school and to Mrs Kohary who supported our school leaders by attending as well.

Principal's Report

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope that everybody had an enjoyable holiday and that you are ready for the exciting term ahead. A special welcome is extended to our new students and their families.

Back gate access to and from school

Thank you to everyone who avoided the back gate and made alternate arrangements to get to school today. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated. The tree that had blocked the path to the back gate has now been removed and normal access has resumed.



Election Day BBQ

Castle Hill Public School will be open for Federal election voting this Saturday. Access will be provided via the front and back gates of the school. If you do choose to vote at the school, please make sure you drop in and purchase a 'Democracy sausage' from our wonderful parent volunteers!

Uniform Transition

With the weather quite changeable at this time of year, students are able to choose to wear either their full summer or full winter uniform (including ties) for the first two weeks of Term 2 (not a combination of both). Students are expected to wear their full winter uniform from Week 3 onwards.

Craig Oliver-Principal Craig.oliver@det.nsw.edu.au

News from the Deputies

School Assemblies

Assemblies occur each Monday at 2:00pm, parents are welcome to attend. Our Assemblies for Term 2 are as follows:

| Mon 5 May | Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) |
|------------|---|
| Mon 12 May | Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) |
| Mon 19 May | Early Stage 1 (Kindy) and Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) |

Mon 26 May Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) Mon 2 June Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4)

Mon 9 June Public Holiday – King's Birthday

Mon 16 June Early Stage 1 (Kindy) and Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)

Mon 23 June Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6)
Mon 30 June Term 2 Platinum Assembly

Selective and Opportunity Class Assessment

A reminder to all families that the assessment for the Opportunity Class and Selective Exam is this Friday 2 May to Sunday 4 May. Please ensure you have checked your email to confirm the date of your child's assessment as well as the items your child will need to take with them on the day of the test.

Band News

Training Band commenced before school rehearsals this morning. A reminder to parents to please use the 'kiss and drop' area to drop off your child before school, not alongside the fence in front of the school.

Mother's Day Stall

A reminder that all classes will be visitng the Mother's Day stall next week. Please review the timetable in the newsletter to identify your childs day.

Positive Behaviour Learning Awards



YEARS 5 & 6 – THESE AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE STUDENTS MONDAY WEEK 2 DURING ASSEMBLY AT 2.00PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

SILVER AWARDS

| YEAR 5 | | YEAR 6 | |
|----------|------|----------|----|
| Andrew | 5/6B | Kate | 6A |
| Karim | 5/6B | Klaudia | 6A |
| Domenico | 5C | Ethan | 6A |
| Beau | 5C | Tejas | 6C |
| Aarya | 5F | Avery | 6C |
| Shaina | 5K | Lily | 6C |
| Hrushad | 5K | Ivy | 6D |
| Seona | 5K | Aurora | 6G |
| Lucas | 5K | Thomas | 6G |
| Ethan | 5K | Mohammad | 6L |
| Aliya | 5K | Jiah | 6L |
| Summer | 5L | Shanaya | 6L |
| Jamie | 5L | Hannah | 6R |
| Almendra | 5L | Rithika | 6R |
| Shreeya | 5S | Layla | 6R |
| Alicia | 5S | Chloe | 6R |
| Olivia | 5S | Dante | 6R |
| Jayden | 5S | | |
| Myra | 5S | | |
| Sayu | 5S | | |

GOLD AWARDS

| YEAR 5 | | YEAR 6 | |
|---------|------|--------|----|
| Moksha | 5/6B | Alia | 6A |
| Aryan | 5C | Samuel | 6C |
| Lucas | 5C | Ava | 6C |
| Rania | 5F | Dhruv | 6D |
| Saksham | 5L | Amelia | 6D |
| Shanaya | 5L | Chloe | 6G |
| | | Heidi | 6G |
| | | Sofiia | 6L |



NSW Public Speaking



The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition

This term, students in Year 3-6 have the option to participate in the NSW Premier's Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition is an annual competition. It is open to all students in NSW government primary schools. The competition has two different age divisions – one for Years 3 and 4 students and one for Years 5 and 6 students. The competition encourages students to explore multiculturalism in Australia while they practise their public speaking skills and improve their confidence.

Families of students from Years 3-6 will receive a note via School Bytes about the competition this week. The note contains information relating to rules for the competition and speech topics.

This is an optional task for interested students at Castle Hill Public School.

If you have any further questions, speak with your child's class teacher or contact Mrs Nisha Carmichael via email – nisha.heyworth1@det.nsw.edu.au.

WriteOn 2025 Competition Welcome back to Term 2, we hope you have all had a safe and happy holiday! During the holiday break, we completed our annual review of our pre-packaged item prices.

Unfortunately, due to rising supplier costs, some items have had a slight price increase.

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WriteOn is an annual writing competition for all NSW primary students. It is an exciting opportunity for students to focus on writing. Through the competition, students develop skills in writing to express their

ideas and may become published authors. Each year, winners are celebrated at an award ceremony and their entries are published in 'The Best of WriteOn' anthology. This year the competition is held in association with the State Library of NSW.





This is an optional task for interested students in Years 1- 6 at Castle Hill Public School. For WriteOn 2025, students should use the stimulus quote below to create an imaginative text. Texts can be up to 500 words. Entries can be handwritten or typed. Entries can be submitted to the WriteOn 2025 box in the school office. Entries must include the student's full name and class. Entries are due by Friday 30 May 2025. Following this, teachers will mark submitted entries using a provided marking rubric. Winners from each stage will have their work submitted to the WriteOn 2025 competition.

The stimulus for WriteOn 2025 is the quote:

"Could they be changing?"



Shortly, families of students from Years 1-6 will receive an additional note via School Bytes about the competition. The note will contain information relating to rules for the competition and success criteria that student's will have their writing marked against.

If you have any further questions, contact Mrs Nisha Carmichael via email – nisha.heyworth1@det.nsw.edu.au.

Mrs Nisha Carmichael and Miss Tahlia Kean

Literacy Committee

PSSA and Sport News

PSSA

Winter PSSA teams have been posted this morning at school, if your child was successful, they will receive a permission note this week. Winter games will begin Friday May 9 Week 2 and a training schedule will be made available shortly.

We will be having our Winter PSSA Jersey Day on Monday Week 2 for students to collect from their coaches. A reminder for all summer PSSA students to hand in their jersey to their coach as soon as possible.



Miss Rebecca Lambe
Relieving Assistant Principal | PSSA Coordinator

P&C News

President Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays. The P&C has been busily working on three events that we have coming up in the next week:

- 1. An Election BBQ being held this coming Saturday, 3 May from 8.00am 4.00pm. We are in desperate need of volunteers for that day so if you can lend a hand for a couple of hours, please sign up at: https://volunteersignup.org/JD7MX. Or just come a join us for a bacon and egg roll or a sausage sandwich
- 2. Our annual Mother's Day Stall running next week (the week prior to Mother's Day) from Monday, 5 May Friday, 9 May. Each class has an opportunity to visit the stall and purchase gifts for their loved ones. Stall volunteers will get to interact with the children and help them choose their gifts. Please see the class list further down in this newsletter to see when your child will attend.

To volunteer for the Mother's Day Stall, please visit: https://volunteersignup.org/RAY3Q

3. Our 'Muffins with Mum' Mother's Day Breakfast event being held in the hall Friday 9 May before school. Come be festive with us to celebrate all the fabulous women in our lives with a muffin and a drink. We will have tables and a photo back drop set up or you can grab and go. More information will be shared about this event later this week on School bytes and Flexischools.

Our next P&C meeting will be held Wednesday, 14 May 2025 at 7.00pm online via Zoom. Please look out for the registration link in next week's newsletter.

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

Mother's Day Stall – Term 2 - Week 2

Location- Room 11 A Block

| Friday | 9 May | 4P | 1G+1M | 90 | Catch up | Catch up | Catch up | Catch up | Catch up | | |
|-----------|-------|-----------|-------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Thursday | 8 May | 5F | 11 | 2F | 2C | 2/6B | 5K | 6R | 58 | 3K | |
| Wednesday | 7 May | | No Stall | today | | | | | | | |
| Tuesday | 6 May | 2T + 2W | 2M +2C | 1T + KM | λ 7 | 4D | 3C | Т9 | Д9 | ЭМ | 4H |
| Monday | 5 May | 4A | 4C | 1A | KD + KB | KC + KH | 3B | 6A | 99 | 3A | 26 |
| Time | | 9:15-9:30 | 9:30 – 9:45 | 9:45 – 10:00 | 10:00 – 10:15 | 10:15-10:30 | 10:30 – 10:45 | 11:30 – 11:45 | 11:45 – 11:45 | 11:45 – 12:00 | 12:00 – 12:15 |

Please arrive at the venue, 5 minutes before your scheduled time so that the parent helpers can talk with your class about what is on sale and how it is all set up.



Mothers' Day Hall

MON,5 MAY - FRI,9 MAY

GIFTS RANGE IN PRICE FROM \$1 - \$10.

EACH STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE A GIFT WHEN THEY ATTEND THE STALL WITH THEIR CLASS. THE CLASS SCHEDULE FOR VISITING WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEWSLETTER AND THROUGH SCHOOL BYTES.

IT IS HELPFUL TO SEND A CARRY BAG (SUCH AS A LIBRARY BAG) WITH YOUR CHILD WHEN THEY ATTEND.

COINS AND SMALL BILLS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE VISIT

HTTPS://VOLUNTEERSIGNUP.ORG/RAY3Q



ELECTION



BBQ



TAP & GO

SERVING FROM 8AM - 3PM

SATURDAY 3 MAY 2025

CASTLE HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

To volunteer, visit:

https://volunteersignup.org/JD7MX

Canteen

Welcome back to Term 2, we hope you have all had a safe and happy holiday!

During the holiday break, we completed our annual review of our pre-packaged item prices. Unfortunately, due to rising supplier costs, some items have had a slight price increase.

Please see our updated full menu and over the counter menu price lists below.

School Lunches

Please ensure that you pack lunch for your child each day. Our full menu is available for online ordering via Flexischools until 9.00am every day.

If you miss the 9.00am cut off or leave your lunch at home, you can still place an order until 12.00pm using the Late Lunch Service on Flexischools - www.flexischools.com.



Please ensure that your child has food **Recess and Lunch** to eat each day.

Counter Service

Parents are reminded to give their children no more than a \$10.00 note for over-the-counter purchases during recess and lunch services. The Canteen does not carry sufficient change for \$20.00 notes or higher.

ROSTER:

Monday May 5 Nikoo Tuesday May 6 Cecile

Wednesday May 7 Madhavi, Rathi
Thursday May 8 Volunteer Required

Friday May 9 Louise, Rebecca Volunteer Required

Our monthly roster has some spaces to fill.

If you would like to join our wonderful team of current volunteers it would be greatly appreciated.

We pay coffee (or tea), laughs and a free lunch for yourself, also anything you purchase for your children on the day you volunteer you will receive a 50% discount off the total cost.

Volunteering in the canteen is a fantastic way to get to know other parents and school staff as well as ensure the P&C can keep prices affordable for everyday ordering. A regular commitment of as little as one day a month is all it takes, or you can opt to be a part of our last-minute contact list.

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 Text message
- canteen@chpspandc.org.au
- Online Canteen Volunteer Form

Tanya Canteen Manager Castle Hill Public School



CASTLE HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICE LIST - APRIL 2025

Online ordering closes at 9.00am (www. flexischools.com.au)

Fruit

- (E) Watermelon Bowl \$2.50
- (E) Whole piece of fruit Apple or Orange \$1.50

Sandwiches - wholemeal or white bread

- (E) Bread & Butter (V) \$2.00
- (E) Vegemite (V) \$2.30
- (E) Honey \$2.30
- (E) Cheese (V) \$3.00
- (E) Ham \$3.00
- (E) Chicken (H) \$3.50
- (E) Salad (V) Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot \$3.50
- (E) "BUILD YOUR OWN" Sandwich

Select your base sandwich from above then choose your additional fillings from the list below

| Vegemite | \$0.30 | Lettuce | \$0.50 | Cheese (V) | \$1.00 |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|------------|--------|
| Honey | \$0.30 | Tomato | \$0.50 | Ham | \$1.00 |
| Mayo (H) | \$0.30 | Carrot | \$0.50 | Chicken(H) | \$1.00 |
| | | Reetroot | \$0.50 | | |

Salad Bowls

- (E) Cheese (V) Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot \$3.90
- (E) Ham Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot \$3.90
- (E) Chicken (H) Lettuce, Tomato Carrot \$4.40
- (E) French Dressing Sachet (V)(H) \$0.30

Wraps

- (E) WATTLE Cheese (V) \$3.00
- (E) BLUE GUM Ham & Cheese \$4.00
- (E) BANKSIA Lettuce, Tomato Carrot (V) \$3.50
- (E) WARATAH Chicken (H) Lettuce & Mayo \$4.30

Drinks

- (E) Chill J Natural Sparkling Fruit Juice \$2.70 Grape, Orange Passio, Raspberry, Watermelon
- (E) Milk Plain \$1.80
- (O) Milk Flavoured \$2.70 Chocolate, Strawberry
- (E) Orchy Pop Top Juice \$2.70
 - Apple, Orange, Apple & Blackcurrant
- (E) Sanitarium Up & Go \$3.00 Chocolate, Strawberry, Vanilla

Over the Counter Only

- (E) Cheesie (V) \$0.50
- (E) Chicken Drummy (H) \$1.50
- (E) Granola & Custard Cup \$1.50
- (O) Hash Brown (V) \$1.00
- (E) Muffins Assorted Flavours \$1.50
- (E) Juicies Tubes Assorted Flavours \$2.00
- (E) Quelch Ice Block \$0.50

Hot Food

- (O) Chicken Nuggets 3 pack (H) \$2.00
- (O) Chicken Nuggest 6 pack (H) \$4.00
- (E) Corn Cobbette (V) \$1.50
- (O) Cup Noodles Chicken \$3.80
- (O) Garlic Bread (H) \$2.20
- (O) Hot Dog with Tomato Sauce (H) \$3.80
- (E) Beef Lasagne \$5.70
- (E) Macaroni Cheese (V) \$5.70
- (E) Pasta Twist Beef \$5.70
- (E) Vegetarian Fried Rice (GF)(V) \$5.70
- (O) Pizza Margarita (Cheese) (V)- \$5.70
- (O) Pizza Ham & Pineapple \$5.70
- (O) Pizza Slab BBQ Chicken (H) \$5.50
- (O) Roadie Beef Pie (H) \$4.70
- (O) Spinach & Ricotta Cheese Roll (V) \$4.50
- (E) Tomato Sauce Sachet (GF)(H) \$0.30

Burgers & Hot Rolls

- (E) Beef Burger (H) Lettuce, Tomato, Tomato Sauce \$5.20
- (O) Chicken Burger (H) Lettuce, Tomato, Mayo \$5.20
- (E) Hot Cheese Roll (V) \$3.30
- (E) Hot Cheese & Tomato Roll (V) \$3.80
- (E) Hot Ham, Cheese & Tomato Roll \$4.80
- (E) Hot Chicken Cheese & Tomato Roll (H) \$5.30

Snacks

- (E) Banana Bread Slice \$2.40
- (O) Chips Sea Salt (GF) \$1.80
- (E) Crispy Fruits (GF) \$2.50 Apple, Mango, Pineapple, Strawberry
- (O) Grain Waves Sour Cream & Chives \$1.80
- (E) Jatz Crackers j- 3 pack \$0.40
- (E) Jatz Crackers & Cheese \$1.40
- (O) Havest Snaps (GF)(V)- \$1.50 Original, Salt & Vinegar
- (O) Mamee Noodle Snacks Chicken (H) \$1.80
- (E) Peaches in Juice \$1.00
- (E) Two Fruits in Juice \$1.00
- (O) Popcorn Sea Salt (GF)(V) \$1.80

Frozen Snacks

- (E) Frozen Fruit Cup (GF) \$1.00
- (E) Frozen Milk Cup \$1.00

(E) Everyday Food - eat often

(O) Occasional Food - eat occasionally

(GF) Gluten Free (V) Vegetarian (H) Halal

All enquiries should be directed to the Canteen - canteen@chpspandc.org.au

Counter Price List



CHPS Canteen
April 2025

Uniform Shop

Uniform Update

A reminder that we move into our Winter Uniform from Term 2. Please see attached photos for reference.



Girls have the option to wear either the tartan tunic with white cotton long sleeve blouse and navy tights OR navy trousers with long sleeve embroidered blouse.

All students are required to wear the school tie with their winter uniform.

Uniform Purchases

Online purchase is encouraged through the Flexischools app and delivery will be made to your child's class.

If you need to purchase uniforms and accessories in person, the uniform shop is open Monday and Thursday mornings from 8.30-10.30am. 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, tags are attached, in original packaging and accompanied by the Flexischools receipt.

Uniform donations

Uniform donations in good condition are gratefully welcome. They can be dropped 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
www.chpspandc.org.au

WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORMS









CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Castle Hill Public School is held on:

Years 1-2: Fridays from 3:10pm to 4:10pm, starting on 2 May 2025

Years 3-6: Fridays from 3:10pm to 4:10pm, starting on 2 May 2025

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

Each student in the Chess program will also receive access to Chess Squad https://www.chesssquad.com/ which is an online teaching/playing platform.

If your child is interested in taking part in the class, please email office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

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Castle Hill Public School Term 2 - 2025

| Month | Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Sat/ | Sun |
|------------|------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|--------------------|------------|-----|
| Apr May | 1 | 28 Staff development day | 29 Staff development day | 30 Students return Term 2 | 1 | 2 | ELECTION & | 4 |
| | | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| May | 2 | Stage 3 assembly | | | | | | |
| | | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| May | 3 | Stage 2 assembly | Stage 1 - Year 2 excursion Field of Mars | | Stage 1 - Year 1 excursion Field of Mars | | | |
| | | | Year 6 Camp | | | | | |
| | | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| May | 4 | Kindy, Yr 1, Yr 2 assembly | | | | | | |
| | | | Year 5 Camp | | | | | |
| May Jun | 5 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 |
| | | Stage 3 assembly | | | | | | |
| Jun | 6 | 2 Stage 2 assembly | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| | | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Jun | 7 | King's Birthday | | | | | | |
| Jun | 8 | 16 Kindy, Yr 1, Yr 2 assembly | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| Jun | 9 | Stage 3 assembly | | | | | | |
| | | 30 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Jul | 10 | Platinum lunch | | | | Last day of Term 2 | | |
| | | | Р | arent / Teacher interviews | 5 | | | |