

# CANFORD HEATH JUNIOR SCHOOL

## SUMMER NEWSLETTER



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## Summer message from the Chief Executive Officer

Dear Parents and Carers,

The TEACH Trust has enjoyed another hugely successful year. I am incredibly proud of how our schools work collaboratively as a Trust to ensure all the children who attend any one of our wonderful schools on Canford Heath, receive the best possible education. The children have worked so hard throughout the year, and we are extremely proud of all their achievements academically, sporting, musically and in a number of other ways.

They all make a huge difference. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the children, staff and parents across the Trust for their continued hard work, to ensure such great outcomes for our four schools.

The return of the TEACH summer concert after 3 years, was an amazing example of our talented children coming together to produce another breath-taking performance led by our incredible Music Director, Mrs Rebecca Turner. Once again, I was blown away by your children: their motivation, enthusiasm and dedication is second to none.

We sadly say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils who are moving on to their Secondary Schools and we wish lots of luck to all our Year 2 pupils who are moving to Junior School, in September. It is always hard to wave the children off as they have been such a large part of our Canford Heath family for such a long time. We would like to thank them for the joy they have brought to us and wish them luck and happiness always as they begin a new part of their school adventure. We also look forward to welcoming our new Early Years children to our Infant Schools.

This year, I have been especially proud that Canford Heath Infant School achieved the top Ofsted award in its inspection, especially after fifteen years of waiting. I know that our other three schools are now ready and waiting for their imminent Ofsted inspections themselves, which are now due. Whilst we are aiming for an outstanding outcome in all of our schools, the way the current Ofsted Framework works, this will not be possible for AAIS, CHJS and HJS, as their next inspection is an ungraded one due to them all being currently 'Good' schools. This is out of our control and is an Ofsted Framework policy. However, our aim is that each school will show so many aspects of outstanding practice at its next inspection, the Inspectors agree to re-visit the school within the following two years for a graded inspection, which will then allow us to go for the top grade. We will always want to achieve the best for your child - whatever school they attend.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for your commitment to your child's education.

With best wishes for an enjoyable summer holiday. I hope the sun continues to shine for you and your families.

Kate Carter

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Chief Executive Officer



## Summer message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can hardly believe that we are at the end of the summer term and another academic year! I'd like to start by saying a huge thank you to all of you, our parents and carers, for an absolutely fantastic year that, as always, has been jam packed.

Throughout any day there is always one highlight and that is your children. Whether it is seeing them giving their best efforts in lessons, saying hello on the gate in the morning or hearing all about their achievements in and out of school, they always brighten up my day. I have to say they are a real credit to you.



As always, we have been full steam ahead with our learning this year with the children experiencing a range of exciting learning opportunities. There are too many to mention but a few of my favourites have been the Aspirations Day, the Summer Concert and Sports Day. These events really do encapsulate what we want for our children. We want them to be inspired, we want them to be brave, we want them to be proud, we want them to take risks and have the best possible opportunities. I'm sure you will agree, it was the concert that was simply sensational and will be a memory for the children that will last a lifetime.

One of the highlights of the year is always the Year 6 residential; a super time was had by all children who went. The children had the chance to experience new activities and for many had their first taste of staying away from home. The trip was a tremendous success which was proved by the very tired children that arrived back from Osmington.

We, of course are saying good bye to our Year 6 children. I would just like to take the opportunity to thank them for all they have achieved while they have been with us at the junior school. It has been an absolute pleasure and a privilege to watch the children grow and mature over the past 4 years and enjoy their final year. They really have done all of us and, most importantly, themselves proud. They are a credit to you, their parents and carers, and they are a credit to themselves. Whichever secondary school they are moving onto, I have no doubt that they will shine. Thank you for all you have given us Year 6, life is yours for the taking - go and grab it with both hands and a huge smile on your face.

I would also like to take the opportunity to say a big thank you to PATCH who have finally managed to have a full year of fundraising. They have worked tirelessly to put on a number of new events this year as well as the traditional fairs. The recent summer fair was such a success raising the most money it ever has which will all benefit the children. I would urge anyone who has any time available, no matter how small, to join and support PATCH so they can have an even more successful year next year.

During the summer, the wonderful Mr Gourlay will be getting married to the lovely Miss Smith from Canford Heath Infant School. I'm sure that you will join me in wishing them the very best for their big day!

Lastly, I would like to wish you all a very enjoyable summer - hopefully the sun will shine and the children can enjoy a well-deserved break! As always, on behalf of the staff, we hope that over the summer holiday you can spend some quality time with the people who are closest to you. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 4th September for what we know will be another fantastic year.

With very best wishes,



Mr Mark Wilson  
Headteacher





## Summer message from the Pastoral Care Team



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by saying it has been great to have spent the last year with all your lovely children. It's been fantastic to watch them grow in confidence and enthusiastically participate in the many lessons, activities and trips the school has offered especially the Teach Trust concert which was an amazing sell out!

It is sad and exciting to see the Year 6 children reach the end of their school journey at CHJS and I would like to wish them all the best as they move onto secondary school. It is always sad when the children leave us but they have really grown up during the last year and have all enthusiastically taken part in the Year 6 activities and events such as the residential trip, leavers disco and the amazing Year 6 performance which I hope you were all able to watch and enjoy.

Across the school the children have all enjoyed a successful time in their respective year groups and have built positive, happy, relationships with the staff and each other.

As a Trust we are lucky to work with the charity MYTIME Young Carers who support us with our amazing young carers. This year all the Pastoral Care Workers attended their summit and as the young carer champions, we felt privileged to be asked to be part of this. If you feel your child could be a young carer, please do get in touch.

We would also like to say a BIG THANK YOU to PATCH! They very generously gave some money to Pastoral, which enabled us to buy some additional toys and resources to help support our children.

Please remember I am here to help support you and your children. Please get in touch with any concerns or worries you may have, however big or small. We can offer a variety of interventions in school and we can also provide contact information for outside organisations. Being offered the right kind of support can help your children understand and address their feelings and emotions and help them find ways to make positive changes.

You can contact me by telephone: 01202 676393 ext: 306 or by email: [pastoral.chjs@teachpoole.com](mailto:pastoral.chjs@teachpoole.com) or you are very welcome to come into school and meet with me.

I wish you and your families a wonderful, relaxing summer holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back to school in September.

Miss Rachel Cobb



## Year 3



CHJS and Haymoor children met to partake in an epic cricket skills festival. One group in 3D took home bronze medals, but the overall winners were Haymoor teams. Well done to the 3 teams!



Ready, steady, cook! Our Year 3's put their French cooking skills to the test this term, feeding their hungry bellies with delicious croque monsieurs.



Our budding artists have worked on their fluid abstract techniques this term, producing a beautiful Georgia O'Keeffe inspired canvas.

We finished our wonderful year with a trip to our local heathland to learn more about where we live. We enjoyed looking for heathland creatures and learning all about how the heath is protected as a SSSI.



## Year 4

In geography, Year 4 have been learning about water cycles. We even had a go at making our own - they worked a treat!



We had great fun taking part in our Ancient Egyptian Hook day. We learnt how to build pyramids and mummify people!

In Year 4, we had a great time on our trip to Hengistbury Head. We also produced some amazing art from our day out!



We had a great visit from Wessex Water to remind us about how the water cycle works and to tell us what can and what can't go down the toilet!





## Year 5



This half term, Year 5 have developed their cookery skills. They have learnt how to safely cut using a claw grip, cook pasta and design their own pasta sauce. From a basic sauce, they evaluated taste and cost. Each group planned their own sauce to a budget and in accordance with seasonally available produce.



In our Ancient Greek topic during Summer 1, the children delved into what life was like: from their early childhoods to adult life; the roles their gods played in their life; compared the lives of the Athenians and Spartans and made our own Greek style clay pot. We were also incredibly lucky to have a visit from Past Presents to really bring the Ancient Greeks to life.



We were fortunate to enjoy a visit from Lush cosmetics, which enabled the children to make links between real life products and their Science learning. What a fantastic end to a brilliant year.

Well done year five and good luck in year six. From all the Team Five staff.



## Year 6



Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their residential visit to Osmington Bay. Their behaviour and attitude toward new challenges and experiences were outstanding and we are very proud of them!



It has been a busy end to the term with rehearsals for 'Goodbye My Friend' and Year 6's final Sports Day.



This term has continued to see the school council meet each week and have an impact on the school. They have been involved in gathering the views of pupils across the school regarding the curriculum. They have fed back their findings to members of the senior leadership team who have made changes ready for next year.

Earlier in the year, the school council organised which charity the school would be supporting this year. Through their work of identifying charities and seeking the views of their fellow pupils, the council decided to support the RSPCA and on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June held a non-uniform day for children.



The Rights Respecting Steering Group have worked hard this term alongside Poole Food Bank to provide items for families in the summer holiday period. These will be delivered by the team on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July.





# Autumn/Winter School Uniform Reminder

	CHJS	Not Acceptable
Trousers	Grey, black or charcoal <b>tailored</b> school trousers. School conventional material. Full length	No jeans, corduroy, leggings, tight fitting, Lycra or skinny fashion trousers. (Please note: some shops do sell 'skinny' trousers as part of their school uniform range, but they are <u>not acceptable</u> for these schools.)
Jumper or school sweatshirt or school cardigan	Purple with school logo	Other sweatshirts. Hooded top Fleece Non-regulation jumper/cardigan
Skirts	Grey, black or charcoal knee length skirts	Fashion skirts, i.e. pencil or mini skirts Stretchy or mini-skirts Skirts shorter than the knee
Pinafore	Grey, black or charcoal knee length dress	Dress shorter than the knee
Socks and tights	Plain grey, black or white socks  Plain grey, black or white opaque or knitted tights	Fashion tights Coloured or patterned socks or tights Bare feet Tights of less than 50 denier
Shoes	Traditional black and low heeled <u>school</u> shoes. Velcro, laces, buckle or slip on only	Trainers (even if black) Hi tops High heels, sling backs or open toed sandals Wedges Boots Logos
Shirt	Plain white short or long-sleeved school shirt with collar  Tucked in and buttoned up at the neck	Casual or fashion shirt Polo shirts
Tie	Purple and grey striped tie clip on or tie	No school tie

# Whole School Diary Dates

Autumn Term 2023 01 <sup>st</sup> September - 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Children return to school
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 3 welcome evening 5:00pm s 6:00pm
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 4 welcome evening 6:00pm s 7:00pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 5 welcome evening 5:00pm s 6:00pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 welcome evening 6:00pm s 7:00pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	River Piddle trip for 6YH and 6H
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	River Piddle trip for 6M and 6N
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Open evening
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Fraser photography individual and sibling photos
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	PATCH AGM 6:30pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Autumn disco Y3 and Y4 5:00pm s 6:15pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Autumn disco Y5 and Y6 5:00pm s 6:15pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu immunisation
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' evening 4:30pm s 7:30pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' evening 3:30pm s 6:00pm



# 2023-2024 Term Dates

*Autumn Term: Friday 1st September 2023 to Friday 15th December 2023*

*Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023 - Friday 27th October 2023*

*Christmas Holiday: Monday 18th December 2023 – Monday 1st January 2024*

*Spring Term: Tuesday 2nd January 2024 to Thursday 28th March 2024*

*Half Term: Monday 12th February 2024 – Friday 16th February 2024*

*Easter Holiday: Friday 29th March 2024 – Friday 12th April 2024*

*Summer Term: Monday 15th April 2024 to Tuesday 23rd July 2024*

*Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024 – Friday 31st May 2024*

*Summer Holiday: Wednesday 24th July 2024*

*Staff Inset Days: Friday 1st September 2023*

*Friday 24th November 2023*

*Monday 27th November 2023*

*Tuesday 2nd January 2024*

*Monday 24th June 2024*

