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Friday, 13th October 2022

Dear Families,

Luckily the majority of this update was written before we had our power outage today! I would like to thank you all for support and understanding with the unavoidable delayed opening of both of our schools this morning. It was lovely to see our children so pleased to come in to school after thinking they mightn't be able to! Power outage or not, as has become tradition now, here's your Friday Update full of news and celebrations from Team Castleway!

LFC Foundation – Multi-Skills Festival

We were very proud of our Y3/4 children who represented us at the LFC Foundation Multi-Skills Festival this week. As always, all children were shining examples of our Castleway Values. We're especially proud of Joshua who was presented with a special medal for his teamwork skills and making sure everyone was included. That's the Castleway Way, Joshua!



St. Mary's Visit Castleway

We were delighted to welcome Mr. Maddocks and some familiar faces to Castleway this week to speak to our Year 6 children about St. Mary's Catholic College has to offer them as they start to think about life in High School. It was lovely to see Meeya and Tia back at Castleway sharing their very positive experiences of starting High School.





It's getting Autumnal in Nurture Class

This week, our Nurture Class have been learning the sound 'b' and looking at the character Barry Ball! They've had great fun bouncing balls and listening to the sounds that were created. They have also been exploring what happens when they made the 'b' sound in to different materials to feel the vibrations!

Things have also got rather autumnal this week as the children have been exploring leaves, pine cones and sticks. The children are incredibly proud of the sun catcher that they have created, proudly hanging in their window.

Headteacher: Mr. S. Mycroft





We are Recruiting!

We're looking for an experienced Administrator to join our dedicated office team. For full details, please visit <u>https://bit.ly/JoinTeamCastleway</u> or scan the QR Code for more information.

Please feel free to share the link if you know someone who could join us!



Terrific Two-Year Olds

This week our Terrific Twos have been reading their book of the week 'Owl babies'. The children have developed their fine motor skills by using tools and malleable resources to create their own woodland animals and build their nests! Speaking of reading, every child should have received their weekly book bags by now. We hope you have enjoyed spending some time with your child reading their book. Reading at home is just as important as reading in school,

it gives the children a chance to further develop their listening and attention skills and to learn new words.

Also, this week the team will be sending home a pumpkin picture for your child to decorate. Miss Smith and the Twos Team can't wait to see the children's creations and display them for you to see!

Football

We're very proud of the children from Years 5 & 6 for representing us in the early stages of a national competition yesterday. Our team did us proud, particularly against schools who are significantly larger than we are. Once again, they proved that whilst we may be small we certainly are mighty! Also, a special mention to Jamie who scored two cracking goals in his first game for our school. We're always proud of our children but we were especially proud last night!





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Nursery Class Update

This week, our Nursery Class have been learning positional language such as 'in, on, under, through and next to' and we've practised this by acting out the classic 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' in their garden. We have heard them talk more about Autumn and our children have brought lots of acorns, conkers and leaves in to explore. They have also enjoyed looking at various forest animals and learned about nocturnal animals and hibernation!

Children have also enjoyed the story 'Owl Babies' and sharing books about their feelings. As with our Twos Class, the team will be giving you all a picture of a pumpkin soon. Your child can decorate any way you like! Please bring your finished masterpieces back next week.





Managing Me with Mrs. McGee

It's been another great week for the children taking part in our Managing Me sessions with Mrs. McGee. Our children were learning flight, fight or freeze and how their bodies respond to stress.

They also met their chimps... but more about that later!



Proud to be Castleway!

We have been overwhelmed by the recent comments and recommendations for both of our schools that we have seen online. It means the world to us that our families are so proud of our schools that they're openly recommending us!

We're always happy to show off what makes both of our schools fabulous. Every day is an open day at Castleway!

Applications for next year's F2 class are now open. Please remember to apply via the Wirral school portal for next year's F2 class. The short link and QR code on the flyer will take you right there!



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Spooky Disco!



Family Bingo Night is back!





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Dates for your Diary

When?	What?	Who?
ТВС	Come Dine with Us!	Primary School Families
19/10/22	Y2 Harvest Assembly	Families of Year 2
9am		
19/10/22	Spooky Disco!	2YO & Nursery – 11am & 2pm
	£1 per child. Snacks and drinks will be on sale.	Reception, Y1, Y2 – 3:25pm
		Y3, Y4, Y5, Y5 – 4pm
22/10/22	Break Up for Half Term	All children and staff of both schools
31/10/22	Return to School	All children and staff of both schools
10/11/22	Family Bingo Night!	Community Event
17/11/22	An Evening With (More info to follow)	Community Event
18/11/22	Children in Need Day - £1 donation	All children and staff of both schools
	Non-Uniform day with spots!	
20/11/22	Year 5 & 6 Residential	Years 5 & 6 Children
24/11/22	Parents' Evening	Primary School Families
20/12/22	Break Up for Christmas Break	All children and staff of both schools
04/01/23	Return to School	All children and staff of both schools

As you can see, we've had another wonderful week... even if we had a bit of a power outage!

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all on Monday.

Kind regards,

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Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher

