





Friday, 13th January 2023

Dear Families,

We've had another busy and eventful week and we wouldn't want it any other way! As always, here's your Friday Update full of news, celebrations and updates. We've got lots of events planned in for this coming term so please ensure that you pay particular attention to the 'Dates for your Diary' section this week. Here we go...

Can Nursery build it? Yes, they can!

Our wonderful Nursery Class have been busy enjoying building homes and shelters for the characters they've met in their focus text this week. They've loved reading 'The Gruffalo's Child' and I think it's safe to say that the animals would love the amazing shelters that have been created for them! Well done, Nursery Class.





Peace at Last for Nurture Class

This week, Nurture Class have been reading 'Peace at Last' and have been listening to bedtime routine sounds. They have explored sensory socks and have even pretended to go to sleep! The children have also been exploring the sound 'b' for Barry Ball and enjoyed playing in their ball pond too.

Another great week for our Nurture Class children.



We are readers. We are Castleway.

As part of our ongoing commitment to developing a love of reading, all classes will be coming up with their own ideas and initiatives. A very excited Year 2 class were introduced to their #BedtimeBox today.

We just know that our children will love this idea and we can't wait to see what our other classes come up with!

<u>Elf Run – Our Final Total</u>

You'll remember that we had lots of fun taking part in the Elf Run before Christmas to help raise much needed funds for the amazing people at Wirral Hospice St. John's. We were delighted with the total shared but we now have our final total and it's safe to say, it really is phenomenal! In total, we have raised £1715.60! Well done and thank you to each and every one of you!



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Coffee Morning – Come Along!

We love welcoming our families in for our regular Coffee Mornings. We're also loving the connections that our wonderful Miss McDonough is making for us too. Have a look at the visitors arranged to join us over the coming weeks.



We are data collectors!

In computing, Year One collected some class data and presented it as a pictogram digitally! They also discovered that pink is the most popular colour in Year One! We are very impressed with our wonderful Year One children. Well done!





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Come Dine with Castleway

By popular demand, #ComeDineWithCastleway is back! Please see the flyer for relevant dates. Remember that if you have more than one child with us at Castleway, you can just book the one slot and we'll organise the rest!



We are writers.

Year 2 have carried on their detective learning in English this week to find out what the mystery creature is. They read a description to find out what it looks like and used this to write their own statement sentences about the mystery creature. Just look at that writing. Impressive work, Year 2!





Cre8ing Community Partnership

Thanks to our friends at Cre8ing Community, we're delighted to be able to offer places on two great sessions for our families hosted at our school. The Positive Discipline session takes place on Friday 20th January from 12pm and the Digital Parenting session takes place on Friday 3rd February from 1pm. Please contact Cre8ing Communities directly to book your place or speak to Miss McDonough.



Family Session with The Neurodiversity Charity

We're pleased to welcome Samantha Asher from The Neurodiversity Charity back to Castleway on 18th January 2023.

We're inviting parents and carers from Early Years and Key Stage 1 to attend our family drop in session. Come and join us from 9am. Please remember this invitation is to families of both schools. Please see Miss McDonough or Mrs. McCarthy for more details.

Last Call for Places!





The Wirral portal for F2 applications closes at midnight on Sunday. You can access the portal via this link: https://bit.ly/CastlewayApplications. We're excited to see who will be joining our school family in September! Please remember that we do also have places available in other year groups if you know anyone who would love to join Team Castleway.

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Dates for your Diary

| When? | What? | Who? |
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| 16/01/23 | Coffee Morning – Tomorrow's Women Wirral | Parents from both schools |
| 23/01/23 | Coffee Morning – Brian Senior | Parents from both schools |
| | (Involve North West's Job Coach) | |
| 30/01/23 | Coffee Morning – Family Tool Box | Parents from both schools |
| 01/02/23 | Come Dine with Nursery & Reception | Nursery & Reception Families |
| 06/02/23 | Children's Mental Health Week | Primary & Nursery School Children |
| 15/02/23 | Come Dine with Year 1 & Year 2 | Year 1 & Year 2 Families |
| 15/02/23 | Valentine's Disco | 11:00 & Nursery School |
| 01/03/23 | Books at Bedtime – Return to school at 5:30pm | Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Children |
| 02/03/23 | World Book Day | Primary & Nursery School Children |
| 08/03/23 | Come Dine with Year 3 & Year 4 | Year 3 & Year 4 Families |
| 08/03/23 | KS2 Stories around the Campfire | Year 3 & Year 4 – 4:00pm |
| | | Year 5 & Year 6 – 4:30pm |
| 15/03/22 | Mothers and Significant Others Afternoon Tea | Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Families |
| 16/03/22 | Mothers and Significant Others Afternoon Tea | Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 Families |
| 22/03/23 | Come Dine with Year 5 & Year 6 | Year 5 & Year 6 Families |

As you can see, we've got lots to be excited about this term!

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all, safe and well, on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher



