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Monday, 28th August 2023

Dear Families,

I can't believe it's almost time to welcome you all back to Castleway. That means it's also almost time to welcome in our brand-new Nursery children and our brand-new Reception Class children too! I'm writing to you today to share some updates and reminders ahead of the children returning to school on **Tuesday**, **5**th **September**.



Back to School - It's nearly time!

Please remember that <u>all children</u> return to school on Tuesday, 5th September at the usual times. Breakfast Club for both Primary and Nursery School children will open at 8am as usual. All children should wear full school uniform on the first day, there are no PE activities planned. This year, our whole school PE tuition will be with our very own Mr. Davies! All Primary School children will need to wear their **Castleway PE kit** on Thursday, 7th September and then each Friday from 15th September. Individual class PE days will be shared in our first Friday Update of the new academic year.

Rock Star Day – Friday, 8th September

As you'll hopefully be aware, we're thrilled to be welcoming the amazing Rock Kidz back to Castleway for a third time on 8th September. Those of you who have experienced a 'Rock Star Day' with us before will know how much fun it is and how the message of positivity and being yourself permeates through our school more than usual. If you've not enjoyed a Rock Star Day with us before, it's a chance to dress up in your rock star finery and enjoy a day working with visiting specialists who promote individuality, friendship and positivity.



This year, we're asking for a voluntary contribution from those who are able to. Donations of £1 or £2 or whatever you can manage would be much appreciated but only if you can. There are payment options on the School Spider app or any cash donations are welcome too.

So, leave those uniforms at home on Friday 8th September and get read to rock out... Castleway style!

Wirral FUSS



Huge thanks to everyone who donated uniform to Wirral Fuss! Wirral Fuss have 7 hubs situated around the Wirral, each stocking clothes for the schools in their area. Our local collection point for **Moreton** is at Moreton Methodist Church on Pasture Road (CH46 7TQ) each Wednesday between 11:00 – 1:00pm.

For further details, please visit the <u>Wirral Fuss website by clicking here</u>. If you are still in need of uniform items, please get in touch with the wonderful Wirral Fuss and they'll be more than happy to help those in need.

Headteacher: Mr. S. Mycroft

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Staffing 2023/24

Our staffing team remains as it was shared before we finished for summer term but as we've all slept since then, I'm sharing reminders below. Also, in response to feedback from families, we're making a slight tweak to the names of our Nursery classes to make it easier to identify which children are in which class.

Senior Leadership Team

Mr. S. Mycroft – Headteacher

Miss G. Dalby – Deputy Headteacher

Mrs. J. McCarthy – Assistant Headteacher (SEND, Safeguarding, Attendance & Inclusion)

Mrs. A. Morris – Assistant Headteacher (Early Years Foundation Stage & Nursery School)

Mrs. K. Kay – Federation Business Manager

Nursery School (Early Years Foundation Stage)				
Early Foundation	Foundation One			
(Previously called 2-Year-Old Class)	(Previously classed Nursery Class)			

Mrs. A. Morris - Assistant Headteacher

Mr. S. Smith – Teacher & Miss S. Bonner – Apprentice Teacher

Support Staff Team

Miss H. Rutter, Mrs. S. Ellina, Miss L. Barclay, Mrs. J. Riviera, Miss S. Smith, Mrs. A. Gallagher & Miss L. Hart

If you're wondering who Mrs. Riviera is, we're sending huge congratulations to Miss Jones who got married during the summer break. Please be sure to pass on your congratulations to her when you see her next week!

Foundation Two - Reception Class (Early Years Foundation Stage)		Year One (Key Stage One)		Year Two (Key Stage One)	
Miss K. Wallace – Teacher Mrs. L. Clay – Teaching Assistant Mr. J. Price – Teaching Assistant		Miss G. Dalby – Teacher Mrs. K. Kirk - Teacher		Mrs. K. Williams – Teacher Mrs. V. Bell – Teaching Assistant	
Year Three (Key Stage Two)	Year Four (Key Stage Two)		Year Five (Key Stage Two)		Year Six (Key Stage Two)
Mrs. S. Smith Teacher	Mr. P. Smith Teacher Mr. L. Jones Teaching Assistant		Mrs. J. Crone - T	eacher	Mr. G. Kenningham Teacher Mrs. L. Bruce Teaching Assistant

School Office Team	Community Advocate	Sports Coach	School Site Team	Midday Assistants
Mrs. C. Raine Mrs. B. Cavanagh	Miss L. McDonough	Mr. J. Davies	Mr. M. Melvin	Miss C. Adams
			Mrs. K. Melvin	Miss S. Ashton
			Miss S. Ashton	Miss E. Johnson

I think that's everyone! I am so excited to start a brand-new academic year with this fabulous team in place. We really are in for a treat this year at Castleway!



Summer Holiday Coffee (and wine) Evening!

Thanks to all who joined us for our first Coffee Evening last Thursday evening. A pose by the wonderful mural by our friend Canvas Life was a good way to end the evening too. We'll be hosting more evenings like this and will share the dates to allow you all to get those sitters booked in!



Coffee Morning

Miss McDonough's first Coffee Morning of the new academic year will take place straight after drop off on our first day back. All being well, we'll be welcoming you all in to our brand-new 'Community Cabin' then too! The good old 'caravan' is having another regeneration and this time it's a community focused one. How exciting!

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Dates for your Diary

Please see our initial dates for your diaries below. As you've come to expect from Castleway now, there are plenty of things planned in but I just need to share them with the staff team first! Full details are coming in the first Friday Update of the year on 8th September.

When?	What?	Who?
04/09/23	INSET 1 – School Closed	Staff Only Training Day
05/09/23	Return to School	All Nursery & Primary children
05/09/23	Coffee Morning – Straight after drop off	Nursery & Primary Families
07/09/23	Whole School PE Day - Primary	Primary School children
08/09/23	Rock Kidz Day	All Nursery & Primary children
15/09/23	Whole School PE Day – Primary (Each Friday from today)	Primary School children

I hope you've had a wonderful Summer Break but I'm sure you're like me and are looking forward to a bit of routine and catching up on all things Castleway!

I'm looking forward to seeing you all (and meeting those of you who are new to Team Castleway) on Tuesday, 5th September!

Enjoy the rest of the break.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher

