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Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Families,

We've reached the end of a rather frosty week. Huge thank you to you all for your support in making sure that our children didn't miss a minute of learning and that they had even more opportunities to make memories with their friends. As always, our Friday Update is celebrating all things Castleway. Without further ado, here we go...

## Beacon Project

Our group of Year 5 & 6 children started their 'Beacon Project' this week. Session 1 saw them take part in warm up exercises and team games where they showed good teamwork and communication skills. The team then took part in a tour around the fire engine and asked and answered questions from the fire fighters. Everyone enjoyed donning their PPE kit and taking part in parade and a fire fighting drill was a particular highlight!



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### **Frozen Forest School**

Year 2's Forest School session felt particularly special yesterday afternoon as they got to experience the changes that the cold weather makes to our environment. The marshmallows and hot chocolate around the campfire were especially appreciated after enjoying the ice and snow!



### **We Turn to You!**

This week, Years 1 – 6 were treated to learning a late nineties classic in Sing Assembly! We looked at all of the lyrics first before singing, found links between our school values and decided that we all have someone to turn to at Castleway. As far as first tries at songs go, we think this is a good one! You can view the video on our Facebook page by clicking the image below. Give it go and you'll be singing it all day!

When I need inspiration, when I need advice  
I turn to you  
Like a flower leaning toward the sun  
I turn to you  
Cause you're the only one  
Who can turn me around  
When I get stuck inside  
When I get stuck inside

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**Spot on Time**

Our 'Spot on Time' challenge has continued this week... despite the best efforts of Mother Nature! Children have thoroughly enjoyed collecting their spots each day and celebrating being on time. Remember that there's a bonus day of the challenge on Monday!



**Snow Day... done the Castle Way!**

Despite the snow trying to derail our Tuesday, we had a fabulous day exploring the snow and making memories with friends. Again, huge thank you to our amazing staff team for working flat out to make sure our site was safe and we remained open to all.



### Early Years – Yoga Loving Superhero Shape Sorters!

EYFS have had a very busy week so far. F1 loved taking in their first 'Relax Kids' session with Seacombe Children's Centre and F2 have been busy sorting shapes in maths and learning about really life heroes. As always, lots to do at Castleway!



### Perform4Schools – Drama Workshops

We were visited by the wonderful 'Perform4Schools' again this week. All children from Reception through to Year 6 enjoyed a drama workshop with our visiting teacher. As you can see, Reception Class loved it!



As you can see, it's been another wonderful week at Castleway. Have a lovely weekend and I'll see you all, hopefully without having to wear my lovely yellow wellies, on Monday!

Don't worry, I haven't forgotten! Your dates for your diary are on the next page.

Thank you, as always, for your continued help and support.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft  
Headteacher



## Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of these dates for just some of the events we have planned. Please be aware that, although we'll try our absolute best not to, these dates may be subject to change. **Bookings via School**



**Spider will open closer to the time for some of the later events.**

When?	What?	Who?
24/01/24	Rock Steady Launch Day – Uniform as Normal	Years 1 - 6
24/01/24	Come Dine with Year 3 – Bookings open now	Families of Year 3 Children
25/01/24	Junior Travel Ambassador Launch Assembly	Reception – Year 6 Children
26/01/24	Years 5 & 6 Road Safety Workshop & Assembly	Years 5 & 6 Children
31/01/24	Come Dine with Year 4 – Bookings open now	Families of Year 4 Children
04/02/24	Years 4 & 5 Residential Visit	Years 4 & 5 children
05/02/24	Start of Children's Mental Health Week	Primary & Nursery School Children
07/02/24	Come Dine with Year 5 – Bookings open now	Families of Year 5 Children
08/02/24	Scooter Stars – Scooter Training	Reception & Year 1 Children
09/02/24	Dress to Express Day – Non-Uniform Day	All children and staff
14/02/24	Come Dine with Year 6 – Bookings open now	Families of Year 6 Children
15/02/24	Cool to be Kind – EYFS Theme Day	Reception & Nursery School Children
15/02/24	Valentine's Disco	Primary & Nursery School Children
15/02/24	Close for Half Term Break	All children and staff
06/03/24	Mothers and Significant Others Morning Brunch – 10:30am	Nursery School Families <b>*Bookings via School Spider*</b>
07/03/24	World Book Day <b>*Costume Swap Shop to be arranged*</b>	Primary & Nursery School Children
07/03/24	Brew, book and bagel – Family Coffee Morning	Primary School Families
08/03/24	Scooter Stars – Scooter Training	Year 1 & Year 2 Children
08/03/24	Mothers and Significant Others Afternoon Tea – 2:30pm	Primary School Families <b>*Bookings via School Spider*</b>
11/03/24	Mothers and Significant Others Afternoon Tea – 2:30pm	Primary & Nursery School Families <b>*Bookings via School Spider*</b>
18/03/24	Years 3 & 4 to Floral Pavilion – Pinocchio <b>*More information to follow via School Spider*</b>	Years 3 & 4 Children
18/03/24	Reception Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Reception Class Children
19/03/24	Year 6 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Year 6 Class Children
20/03/24	EYFS Easter Fun Day – Non-Uniform	Nursery & Reception Children
21/03/24	World Down Syndrome Day – Full Uniform & Odd Socks	All children and staff
22/03/24	Year 5 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Year 5 Class Children
25/03/24	Year 4 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Year 4 Class Children
26/03/24	Year 3 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Year 3 Class Children
27/03/24	Year 2 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Year 2 Class Children
28/03/24	Easter Bonnet Parade – Family Assembly – 9:30am	Families of Primary School Children
28/03/24	Year 1 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Families of Year 1 Class Children
28/03/24	Close for Easter Break	All children and staff
23/05/24	Year 6 Residential Visit to Gulliver's World	Year 6 children

