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Friday, 9th February 2024

Dear Families,

It's been another wonderfully busy Castleway week. Seeing our Year 4 and 5 children push themselves out of their comfort zones and achieve things that they didn't think they could has been amazing. I loved the time that I spent at Kingswood with our children and I know that they've made memories to last a life time. I'd also like to thank you all for braving having your children away from you for three nights, I know it's not easy but they really have flourished during their time away. This experience really has allowed them grow in so many ways. As always, here's your Friday Update full of news, celebrations and Castleway fabulousness. Here we go...



Year 4 & 5 Residential

I honestly could go on for ages about how fabulous our children were and how much they achieved during their residential. But instead, I'll share just some of my favourite photos from their time away! As always, there are so many more photographs to enjoy on our <u>Facebook page</u>.





Year 2 Residential – Burwardsley

After the success of our Year 2 residential visit last year, we're delighted to confirm that this will now be part of the Castleway offer each and every year. Further details, including pricing and itinerary, will be sent out to families shortly but please 'save the date' for this year's residential visit. Our one night residential visit will take place on **Tuesday 9th July 2024** with children returning on Wednesday 10th July. We're hoping that as many of our Year 2 children as possible will attend.

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Scooter Stars - Training for Reception & Year 1

Reception Class and Year One loved their Scooter Stars training yesterday! Learning these fabulous scooter safety skills will help our children ensure they're safe while being active on their way to school. We're looking forward to the team returning to complete the training with Year One and Year Two on 8th March.



Beacon Project - Another Fabulous Week!

Yesterday was the latest day of the Beacon Project! The day started with a quick check in, some team games and then on to the serious stuff - first aid training for our young fire advocates! Our children have learnt potentially lifesaving skills and we're very proud of them!







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There was an extra Forest School session for some of our Y4/5 children this week which saw them lighting mini fires, exploring the mud kitchen and helping Mr. Davies move a small mountain of woodchip to make our pathways more accessible... and a lot less squelchy! Thank you to these children for living our school motto and spending their time to improve our school facilities for everyone.



Despite this being a short update this week, it doesn't mean it's been a quiet week! There's always so much to celebrate at Castleway and we always do our best to keep our social media accounts up to date. Year Six are off ice skating this afternoon so I know that we'll be sharing some of their Dancing on Ice skills later on!

You'll find your 'dates for your diary' on the next page. Make sure you have a look so you're all up to date with the upcoming 'CastlePlans'!

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all, safe and well, on Monday morning for the last week of this half term!

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?
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
26/02/24	Return to School – See you all at the usual times!	All children and staff
<mark>28/02/24</mark>	*New date* Come Dine with Year 5 – Bookings open now	Families of Year 5 Children
01/03/24	*New Date* Dress to Express Day – Non-Uniform Day	All children and staff
06/03/24	Mothers and Significant Others Morning Brunch – 10:30am	Nursery School Families
		Bookings via School Spider
07/03/24	World Book Day *Costume Swap Shop to be arranged*	Primary & Nursery School Children
07/03/24	Brew, book and bagel – Family Coffee Morning	Primary School Families
<mark>08/03/24</mark>	Scooter Stars – Scooter Training	Year 1 & Year 2 Children
08/03/24	Mothers and Significant Others Afternoon Tea – 2:30pm	Primary School Families
		Bookings via School Spider
11/03/24	Mothers and Significant Others Afternoon Tea – 2:30pm	Primary & Nursery School Families
		Bookings via School Spider
18/03/24	Years 3 & 4 to Floral Pavilion – Pinocchio	Years 3 & 4 Children
	More information to follow via School Spider	
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
09/07/24	Year 2 Residential Visit	<mark>Year 2 Children</mark>

