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**Be kind. Be confident. Be your best.**



Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Families,

Another short week for us after the May Day Bank Holiday but that doesn't mean we've not been busy. As always, here's your Friday Update with all of the latest news and celebrations from Team Castleway.

## Red, White and Blue Day

To celebrate the upcoming coronation of King Charles III, we had a right old Castleway knees up! Castleway turned red, white and blue for the day as we enjoyed street parties, fish and chips and making memories with our friends.



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### Year Two Kings & Queens Day

Our Year Two children have had a wonderfully regal day at New Brighton Primary School today as they enjoyed an enhancement to their curriculum learning. Working collaboratively with our friends from New Brighton Primary and Kingsway Primary has meant that our children benefitted from bringing their learning to life with the fabulous team from Past Productions. A great day of learning and the chance to make lots of new friends too!



### Fabulous Forest School

Our Forest School provision continues to go from strength to strength. Children of all ages are benefiting from this wonderful space and we're delighted that the impact of having access to this magical space is clear to see. Our school values shine in different ways each and every time that our children have a session in our forest!



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## Walk to School Week 2023

During the week beginning Monday 15th May 2023, we will be celebrating 'Walk to School Week' at both Castleway of our schools. We all know how important physical exercise is to our children's development and wellbeing and we would like to see as many families as possible travelling to school actively.

Each day of 'Walk to School Week', we will be holding a 'Walking Bus'. Staff members will be stationed at each of the three walking bus stops (see map below) to travel to school alongside families. All staff members will be leaving their walking bus stop to walk to school at 8:25am each morning. Full details can be found in the recent letter from Mr. Smith. If you missed it, it's on our website or [click here to read it](#).



## Year Six SATs – End of Key Stage Two Assessments

Next week our Year 6 children will sit their end of Key Stage 2 assessments (otherwise known as SATs). These assessments are to measure the progress made by children from Year 2 to Year 6. As we know only too well at Castleway, there's more to our children than what tests tell us but we also need to acknowledge that our children need to do their very best next week.

This poem went viral a couple of years ago but the words are still incredibly relevant now:

**SATs don't measure sports, SATs don't measure art,  
SATs don't measure music, or the kindness in your heart.  
SATs don't see your beauty, SATs don't know your worth,  
SATs don't see the reasons you were put upon this earth.  
SATs don't see your magic, how you make others smile,  
SATs don't time how quickly you can run a mile.  
SATs don't hear your laughter, or see you've come this far,  
SATs are just a tiny glimpse of who you really are.  
So sitting at your table, with a pencil and your test,  
Remember SATs aren't who you are, remember you're the best.**



**CastleVision's Big Night in!**

By popular request, we're holding an adult only event on Tuesday evening from 7pm. Live music, DJ, karaoke and home cooked scouse! As we've secured funding to celebrate Eurovision, we're delighted that the event is free with only a small charge for any alcohol or drink purchases. Yes, there's a bar! We hope you can make it.

**CastleVision**  
**Castleway's BIG night in!**  
**Tuesday 9th May from 7pm**

We're thrilled to announce that our #Eurovision project is funded by #EuroGrant. Join us on Tuesday 9th May for an adult only event with food, live music, karaoke, a bar and much more! We're celebrating all things Eurovision, Liverpool and Ukraine and we hope you can make it.

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**Dates for your Diary**

Please see the revised 'dates for your diary' below. It's a busy old time at Castleway!

When?	What?	Who?
08/05/23	King Charles III Coronation – Bank Holiday	Both Schools Closed
09/05/23	Start of end of Key Stage 2 Assessments	Year Six
09/05/23	Launch of CastleVision!	Both Schools
09/05/23	CastleVision's Big Night In	Adult Community Event
11/05/23	CastleVision's Big Family Quiz	Community Event
12/05/23	CastleVision's Big Disco	Children from both schools.
15/05/23	Mission Eurovision	All Nursery & Primary children.
15/05/23	Walk to School Week	All Nursery & Primary children.
19/05/23	CastleVision Concert for Families	Primary School Families
26/05/23	School Closes for Whitsuntide Break	All Nursery & Primary children.
05/06/23	Return to School	All Nursery & Primary children.
WB: 19/06/23	Year 2 & Reception Swimming	Year 2 and Reception children
WB: 03/07/23	Year 1 Swimming	Year 1 children
18/07/23	School's Out for Summer!	All Nursery & Primary children.
04/09/23	Return to School	All Nursery & Primary children.

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**Royal Coronation Bank Holiday**



Remember that there's Bank Holiday on Monday.

However you celebrate and whatever you decide to do, have a lovely long weekend and we'll see you all on Tuesday.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft  
Headteacher