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Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Dear Families,

What a first week back it's been! We've had another wonderful week at Castleway and, as always, have so much to share with you all. [If you missed the extra 'Tuesday Update' that was shared this week, you can read that here.](#) Here we go with another Friday Update filled with Castleway fabulousness...

## Dress to Express Day

It may have taken place a little later than usual but we loved our annual 'Dress to Express' day at Castleway! From our fabulously individual outfits to our delicious cakes, we had a wonderful day celebrating all the things that make us who we are. The day was finished with the traditional 'CastleWalk' to showcase our favourite outfits which included to celebrating our favourite characters from books and shows, career aspirations and even Spiderman got involved!



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### **Beacon Project Pass Out Ceremony**

It was an absolute pleasure to attend the Pass Out of our Fire Safety Advocates on Thursday! They all made us incredibly proud during their drill as they demonstrated some of the amazing skills they have learned during their time on the Beacon Project. Congratulations on receiving your certificates and for being incredible ambassadors for Castleway by living our values throughout the project.



### **Core Values – New Books to Enjoy**

Our brand new books showcasing our Core Values are proudly displayed in our recently refurbished reception area. Feel free to have a look at these gorgeous picture books next time you visit! Also make sure you take a moment to enjoy Athea's lovely artwork that she created at home. She's made a 'very Castleway' piece of art highlighting our school motto and our trademark love of our inclusive rainbow. Thank you, Athea. We love it!





**Level One Counselling Skills Course – Starts Monday!**

There are a few places left on the Counselling Skills Level 1 course that starts at Castleway on Monday. We're thrilled to be partnering with the amazing Three Dimensional Team again! Speak to Miss McDonough or contact the team using the details on the flyer, [click to see the post on Facebook](#). Contact via telephone on (0151) 294 4749 or via email: [info@3dtraining.uk.com](mailto:info@3dtraining.uk.com).

**Helen Bibby's Coffee Morning – ADHD Focus**

Following the success of the last event, our whole community are invited to join us at Dr. Helen Bibby's Coffee Morning on Wednesday 6th March straight from drop off. Helen will be sharing her expertise and experience about ADHD during this session. We do hope you can make it and, as always, this is open to the wider community too.



**Reception Class' Return to Forest School**

There were lots of happy faces on Wednesday as Reception Class returned to Forest School. Hanging out in trees, making mini shelters, exploring reflections and a little bit of face painting! We love how much our children benefit from the truly magical space that is our Forest School.



### **#CastleShop – Open to Support our Community**

Year Six were on hand to help unload the latest delivery from our fabulous friends [NEO Community](#) earlier this week. We're always grateful for these kitchen cupboard essentials to share with our families.



### **Every Little Helps... Literally!**

You may remember that we were the lucky school chosen to be Tesco Heswall's 'Charity of the Month' for their in-store book shelf. These marvellous mathematicians had the job of counting the donations earlier this week. We have received £440.71 towards new playground equipment! Mrs. Kay was very happy to accept the bucket full of cash this afternoon!



### **CastleTots – Each Tuesday During Half Term**

We had a lovely session at Castle Tots this week. We had lots of new and exciting toys and puzzles to share with our friends. We can't wait to see everyone next Tuesday at 9:30am.



### **PE Timetable for this half term**

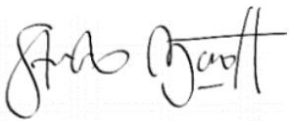
As shared earlier this week via School Spider, please see the days below for the Primary School PE days for this half term. Please remember that Castleway kit should be worn by all children. **No other sportswear is acceptable.** If your children do not have a plain black zipped hooded top, they should wear their school jumper or cardigan as normal. Where children are not in appropriate kit, we'll contact families to see how we can support. [Our uniform policy is on our website and can be found by clicking here.](#)

- Reception Class – Thursday & Friday
- Year One – Monday & Friday
- Year Two – Tuesday & Friday
- Year Three – Tuesday & Friday
- Year Four – Thursday & Friday
- Year Five – Monday & Friday
- Year Six – Wednesday & Friday

As always, there are a lot of photographs and updates on our social media pages. You can find us as @WeAreCastleway on Facebook, Instagram and X (twitter). Your diary dates are available to read on the next page.

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all, bright and early, on Monday morning.

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?
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 <b>*to be rearranged*</b>	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>
13/03/24	<b>Year 2 Residential – Families Meeting – 3:00pm</b>	<b>Year 2 Families</b>
15/03/24	Red Nose Day – Non-Uniform Day & Cake Sale - #CastleYey	Primary & Nursery School Children
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
20/03/24	<b>Parents' Evening 1 - 3:30pm – 6:30pm</b>	<b>Primary &amp; Nursery School Families *Bookings via School Spider*</b>
21/03/24	<b>Parents' Evening 2 - 3:30pm – 5:00pm</b>	<b>Primary &amp; Nursery School Families *Bookings via School Spider*</b>
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	Year 2 Children

