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Friday, 6th June 2024

Dear Families,

Can you believe it's already the end of the first week back and what a week it's been! As usual, it's been an actionpacked week and we're going to celebrate that in this week's Friday Update. Here we go...

Active Breakfast

This morning's Active Breakfast as part of Active Travel Week was an incredible sight as our bike marking event attracted a very long line! A big thank you to our local PCSOs for providing this amazing opportunity for our community! Fun fact for you. Based on our numbers on roll, the percentage of bikes marked today was the highest that the team have seen for any school! We don't do things by halves at Castleway!



Bling Your Ride Parade

We were absolutely blown away by the creativity shown in our 'blinged rides' this morning. From scooters to bikes and roller skates to trainers, we had it all covered! Huge thanks, as always, to our creative families for supporting this initiative and thanks to those who were able to join us to celebrate our creative active Castlewayers!



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Active Travel Celebration Assembly

This morning, Chris from Wirral Council joined us in Celebration Assembly. For each day that children have travelled to school 'actively' their name has been entered in to a prize draw. We were delighted to present three scooters to our very active winners! In addition, winners from each class from our parade were chosen to receive a special 'goodie bag'. Well done to everyone who took part and special well done to our winners!



Prima Housing Poster Competition

Our children have absolutely loved getting involved in Prima Group's community poster community competition this week! Our children love their local area and we're very proud of how passionate they are about making it the best it can be! thanks to Prima for inviting us to get involved. They've now got the unenviable task of choosing a winner!





Active Lunchtimes... Castleway Style!

We absolutely love making the most of our time outside with friends at Castleway. Today we decided to mix it up with the addition of some music requests from each class for the #CastlePlaylist!





Family Survey – Before and After School Clubs

Following feedback from families, we are looking at the viability of extending our before and after school care clubs. At this point, it is just to see if the interest/demand is there but, hopefully you all know by now, if we can make it work then we will! Follow this link for the survey: <u>https://bit.ly/CastlewayBeforeAndAfterSchoolSurvey</u>.

Music at the Heart of the Curriculum

We're incredibly proud of the broad and balanced curriculum that we provide at Castleway. We work hard to offer many enrichment activities to add to our bespoke curriculum. Just look at some of the music opportunities that have been enjoyed this week... and every week!



Girls' Sport Shining at Castleway

Yesterday was a brilliant day for girls' sport at Castleway. In the morning our Y5/6 team represented us at a football tournament at The Hive and before they even had time to stop for breath, our Y6 girls represented us at the Dynamo Cricket Tournament at Upton Cricket Club. Well done to our amazing sports ambassadors!



Coffee Morning – Wednesday Morning

For one week only, Miss McDonough's Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday in the Community Caravan. Please remember that all are welcome to attend. There's always a brew available at Castleway.



Uniform Reminder

I'm incredibly proud of the feeling of belonging that we promote at Castleway and uniform is a huge part of that. We have high expectations with regards to uniform so please remember that we will be in touch with you if children aren't wearing full Castleway uniform. Our uniform is affordable and easy to purchase but please remember if you are having any difficulties to let us know. We're always happy to help.

Remember that children are invited to have their own 'non-uniform day' to celebrate their birthday. This way, it's clear who's birthday it is and everyone can wish them a very happy birthday throughout the day. "A sense of belonging is one of humanity's deepest longing." – Brene Brown

Reception Reading Café

Our first Reading Cafe with Reception Class was a big hit on Tuesday. From starting by sharing a story with Mrs. Morris to reading with families and our Reading Buddies, it was a lovely way to end the day! Thanks to all who were able to join us. See you all at the same time next week!



Year 6 – Thinking about Transition

Thanks to Jesy for joining Y6 on Monday for a special Mental Health workshop all about their upcoming transition to high school. We are going to miss Y6 but it's great to see how ready they are for their next adventure in learning.





Goodbye Year Six!

It's our Year Six children's final half term at Castleway. As always, we're celebrating the end of their time with us in style. In addition to their recent Gulliver's World Sleepover, we have other things planned to wish them well.

- Annual Sleepover in School Friday 12th July Return to School from 7:00pm Book via School Spider
- Leavers' Disco Wednesday 17th July 5:00pm Book via School Spider
- Come Dine One Last Time Thursday 18th July 11:30pm Book via School Spider
- Leavers' Assembly Friday 19th July 9:30am start (join us for a brew from 9:00am) No booking needed



Stop. Look. Listen.

As part of Child Safety Week children in EYFS have been learning about road safety and how they should to cross the road. They made roads on the playground to put into practice what they had learnt! How many of you remember the video that the children watched from your own childhood road safety lessons?





Car Boot Sale

We're thrilled to be hosting Castleway's first Community **Car Boot Sale** on Sunday 23rd June at school. £10 per car with 50p entrance for shoppers. We'll be selling refreshments too!

If you'd like to book a stall, register your interest for your own pitch here: <u>https://bit.ly/CastlewayCarBoot</u> or scan the QR code on the flyer. Please spread the word!



As you can see, it really has been another brilliant 'CastleWeek' with so much to celebrate for our children, staff and families.

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all, safe and well, on Monday. As always, the 'dates for your diary' are on the following pages.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher



Dates for your Diary

We've added a colour code to help you differentiate between year groups. There's a plain version on the next page.

	Reception EYFS (Nursery Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4	ar 5 Year 6 Primary School Everyone!
When?	What?	Who?
14/06/24	Come Dine with Year 2 – 11:30am	Year 2 families
19/06/24	Welcome to Team Castleway – <u>Book Here</u>	New Reception Class families
	Reception Class 2024/25 Parents' Meeting – 1:30pm or 5:30pm	
20/06/24	Summer Fayre – 3:25pm	Our whole community!
21/06/24	Come Dine with Year 3 – 11:30am	Year 3 families
26/06/24	Castleway's 'Come as You Are' Day!	All children and staff
26/06/24	Castleway's Annual Pride Picnic	All children & families
27/06/24	Class Photo Day – All classes	All children & families
27/06/24	Year 6 Leavers' Photos	Year 6 children
28/06/24	Come Dine with Year 4 – 11:30am	Year 4 families
03/07/24	Transition Day – All children with their new teachers!	Primary school children
03/07/24	Stay & Play – New Reception Class Transition – Book Here	New Reception Class families
04/07/24	Year 2 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Year 2 families
05/07/24	Primary School Sports Day – Families Invited at 1:30pm	*New* Year 1 – Year 6
05/07/24	Come Dine with Year 5 – 11:30am	Year 5 families
08/07/24	Reception Class Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Reception Class families
09/07/24	New Reception Class – Family Lunch – 1:30pm – Book Here	New Reception Class families
09/07/24	Year 1 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Year 1 families
09/07/24	Year 2 Residential Visit	Year 2 children
10/07/24	Nursery School Sports Day & Family Picnic – 10:00am	Nursery School families
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11/07/24	Rocksteady Concert for Families – 10:00am	Rocksteady families
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12/07/24	Year 5 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm	Year 5 families
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12/07/24	Annual Reports out to Parents	All children
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