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Saturday, 13th July 2024

Dear Families,

You may have noticed that your usual Friday Update is a little later than usual. As always, it's been a busy week at Castleway but this week has ended with our annual #BigYear6Sleepover! What started as a one-off treat when I arrived in 2021 for our departing Year 6 children has now become an annual tradition that might even be more popular than the annual McDonalds SATs lunch! Even though it's later than usual and we've lost track of time at the Castle, here's your update filled with celebrations, news and updates. Here we go...

#### **Big Year 6 Sleepover**

The reason your update is late has been a big success so far! Pizza making, pizza eating, campfires, hot chocolate and movie night with popcorn! Our annual tradition is as popular as ever.

















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#### **Rocksteady Concert**

There was lots of excitement on Thursday morning as our bands prepared for their <u>Rocksteady Music School</u> concert! We were so incredibly proud of all of you for delivering such confident performances. Huge thank you to all of our families who came along to support our rock stars! If you want to see a brilliant medley of the performances, click the last image to go straight to our Facebook page.









# M and M Productions - The Secret Garden

We enjoyed M and M Productions turning our hall in to a theatre today for our whole school performance of The Secret Garden. Our children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and, as you'd expect, behaviour was exemplary.



#### Come Dine with Mr. Smith

We were thrilled to welcome our new Reception Class families to dine with Mr. Smith this week. We've enjoyed getting to know our families through our transition events ready for them to start with us in September.





# **Year 2 Residential**

There were lots of emotional reunions at the end of the day on Wednesday as our Year 2 adventurers returned from their overnight residential. We were so proud of each and every one of them... and our families too! We'd like to send a special thanks to Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Smith and Miss Dalby for giving their time so freely to allow our children to have this amazing experience.



# **Year 1 at Forest School**

Year 1 have been exploring plants that can help us feel better this week. They've made scent cloths from lavender, rosemary, evening primrose and other flowers which they can smell to help comfort and relax them if they are worried about anything. Our forest really is a magical place.





#### **Early Years Sports Day**

Our youngest children had two very different sports days on Wednesday. The morning was very wet and the afternoon glorious! But in both the children had the best time, experienced a range of activities and smiled and laughed a lot. Huge thanks to Mr. Smith (Y4) and his brilliant class for all of their support with the organisation of the day.









#### **Annual Reports to Families**

Our annual report to families have now been shared. Our staff have loved writing these reports as they celebrate the achievements of each and every member of our school family. We hope you enjoy reading them as much as we enjoyed writing them! Huge thanks to everyone who has shared such positive feedback with us.

# **Spreading Kindness**

Our children were out doing what we do best earlier this week... spreading kindness in our community. If you received an act of kindness, we hope you enjoyed it!









#### **Coffee Morning & Wellbeing Session**

We had another brilliant #CoffeeMorning to start the week on Monday! We were thrilled to be joined by Vicky from Neo who will be joining us from September for wellbeing sessions each Friday. The discussions also involved plans for one of our famously popular #CoffeeEvening events during the break and also a beach day for families! The last Coffee Morning of this academic year will be on Wednesday rather than Monday.









#### **Curriculum Celebration Afternoons**

As is now tradition at Castleway, we've ended the term celebrating our learning with our families. Huge thanks to everyone who was able to join us for our Curriculum Celebration Afternoons.



#### **After School Club**

Just when you think we can't cram any more in to a Castle Day! There is always more fun, games and memory making in our After-School Club. The smiles say it all. Remember that from September, following feedback from families, we'll have wraparound care available from 7:30am to 6:00pm.



Next week is the last week of term. We still have so much planned so make sure you're in school so that you don't miss out! The final dates for your diary are on the next page for you.

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher



# **Dates for your Diary**

 $We've \ added \ a \ colour \ code \ to \ help \ you \ diff\underline{erentiate} \ between \ year \ groups. \ There's \ a \ plain \ version \ on \ the \ next \ page.$ 

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15/07/24	Year 3 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm						Year 3 families			
16/07/24	Year 6 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon – 2:30pm					,	Year 6 families			
17/07/24	Year 6 Leavers' Disco – 5:30pm						Year 6 children			
18/07/24	Come Dine with Year 6 – One Last Dine! 11:30am						Year 6 families			
19/07/24	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 9:30am						Year 6 children and families			
19/07/24	School's Out for Summer! Finishing at the usual times.					1	All children, staff and families			
03/09/24	Back to School!						All children, staff and families			
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And for those who prefer the plain version...

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