

# We are Castleway. Be kind. Be confident. Be your best.



Friday, 27th September 2024

Dear Families,

Well, it's been a bit of a busy old time at the Castle hasn't it! From CastleFest last weekend to welcoming two of His Majesty's Inspectors to review our Nursery School provision. There's even more than usual to celebrate in this Friday Update. Here we go...

### **Nursery School Inspection**

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Be proud of how have you've come. Imagine how far you can go. You'll be aware that we had 2 of His Majesty's Inspectors visit our Nursery School for 2 days this week. We took great pleasure in showcasing what a wonderful place our Nursery School is. Whilst the outcome of the inspection remains confidential until the report is published, we can tell you that we are very pleased that the two inspectors saw what we all see each and every day at Castleway. We have worked incredibly hard over the last 2 years to create something special in Early Years and we're so

proud that our visitors saw this too. I'll share the report with you all as soon as I can.

### **Meeting Reverend Jonny!**

We had a celebration assembly this morning as we all (F2 - Y6) ventured over to St. Chad's Church to meet Reverend Jonny and celebrate our achievements for the week. Jonny was very impressed with the behaviour of all of our children and is very much looking forward to getting know us all better.











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### CastleFest 2024

Where do we even begin when talking about CastleFest? CastleFest was everything we wanted it to be and more! Celebrating 60 years of our amazing school #TheCastleWAY, making memories with our incredible community. You all made this an event we won't forget! A massive thank you to In Demand Radio for helping us make this happen! It's starting to seem like this 'one off' special event might just be a bit more regular... watch this space!





















### **Reception Class 2025**

Can you believe it is already time to be thinking about our next Reception Class cohort?! We've already had parents making applications for their children and we're thrilled to be the school of choice for more people than ever! We're throwing open the doors to the Castle for those who would like to have a look at us in action. No appointment is necessary and if you can't make these dates, just let us know and we'll be more than happy to show you around.



### Family Hub - Satellite Centre

We are proud to announce that we are officially a Satellite Family Hub thanks to all of the brilliant work that goes on here for our community and beyond! We really are shining at the heart of our community!



## **Managing Stress**

Another day and another great Adult Learning opportunity at Castleway! We loved welcoming our community (and beyond) to our latest course with Crea8ing Community. Thanks to everyone who joined us for our Managing Stress yesterday! It was lovely to welcome participants from outside of our school community too. Great to see!







### Years 3 & 4 Tag Rugby Tournament

A very soggy, very chilly Year 3/4 took part in a tag rugby event at Birkenhead rugby club this week. We're so proud of our brilliant team who have never tried rugby before. They were unbeaten, winning 2 and drawing one! Trying new things and absolutely smashing it... #ThatsTheCastleWay!





### They are STILL Castleway.

You might recognise some of the very special visitors we welcomed to Castleway last week! As part of our 60th birthday celebrations, we put an open call out on our social media to invite some of the amazing staff and pupils from Castleway's past to a Castleway Catch Up. After a 'Sing Along with Mr. Sledge' we went on a tour of our wonderful school and were thrilled with the lovely comments from these Castleway Legends! Some of our staff team even got to catch up with their Castleway teachers!















Once again, this is just a snapshot of what happens at Castleway. As always, there are more photos for you to enjoy on our Facebook page.

Dates for your diary, including the first of our Christmas plan, are on the next page.

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all, ready for another Castleway week, on Monday!

Kind regards,

Mr. S. Mycroft Headteacher



# **#CastleDates for your Diary**

When?	What?	Who?
09/10/24	Come Dine with Year 1	Voca 1 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	Year 1 Families
10/10/24	World Mental Health Day	All children and staff
	Non-Uniform Day – Wear Yellow	
	£1 Donation via School Spider or Cash	
16/10/24	Come Dine with Year 2	Year 2 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	Year 2 Families
22/10/24	EYFS Spooky Fun Day	Nursery School & F2 children
	Non-uniform – wear your spookiest outfit!	
	Spooky Disco!	
	£1.50 per ticket (includes drink & snacks) via School Spider	All children
22/10/24	10:50 – 11:20 – Nursery School	Children in Years 1 – 6 bring their disco
	14:20 – 14:50 – Nursery School	clothes to change in to. Uniform as
	14:50 – 15:20 – F2 & KS1	normal all day for Years 1 - 6.
	15:25 – 16:00 – KS2	
23/10/24	Come Dine with Year 3	Year 3 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	real 3 raililles
24/10/24	Harvest Assembly – Performed by Year 2	Year 2 Families
09:30		
24/10/24	Finish for October Half Term at the usual times	All children and staff
04/11/24	INSET 2 – School Closed to Children	Staff Training Day
04/11/24	INSET 3 – School Closed to Children	Staff Training Day
06/11/24	Come Dine with Year 4	Year 4 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	real 4 failines
06/11/24	Parents' Evening (3:30 – 6:30pm)	Nursery & Primary School Families
	Bookings available soon via School Spider	
07/11/24	Parents' Evening (3:30 – 5:00pm)	Nursery & Primary School Families
	Bookings available soon via School Spider	
13/11/24	Come Dine with Year 5	Year 5 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	Teal 3 Fallilles
20/11/24	Come Dine with Year 6	Year 6 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	icai o i aiiiiics
27/11/24	Come Dine with F2	F2 Families
11:30am	Bookings available soon via School Spider	

When?	Festive Activities!	Who?
06/12/24	KS2 Christmas Concert	Years 3 – 6 Families
	9:30am or 2:30pm	rears 5 – 6 Families
11/12/24	Songs Around the Christmas Tree	Early Years Families
	9:30 and 2:30	(Nursery School & Reception Class)
12/12/24	Christmas Jumper Day	All children and staff
	(Swap shop to be arranged)	All Cilluren and Stan
12/12/24	Christmas Fayre – Straight from Pick Up at 3:25pm	Our whole community
13/12/24	Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity	Year 1 & 2 Families
	9:30am or 2:30pm	
17/12/24	Winter Discos & Early Years Fun Day	Disco – Years 1 – 6
		Fun Day – EYFS (Nursery & Reception)

