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Friday, 4th October 2024

Dear Families,

It's been another jam-packed week for all at Castleway. As each week passes, I'm more and more impressed with everything that our children achieve. I am incredibly thankful to the wonderful team we have at Castleway for providing our children and families with brilliant opportunities each and every week.

As always, here's your Friday Update celebrating our fabulous community. Here we go...

Forest School

Year 2 have been making tree sprites in Forest School today. They used air dry clay and natural items for detail, and have left their creations in the Forest to keep an eye on it while they're not there!



Crafty Treats!

We loved welcoming a very crafty bunch of our families this morning for Craft Club. There was a spooky theme and some very creative creatures were made. Keep an eye out, you may just see these sweet treats popping up at Tuck Shop soon! I even popped in to hand out my Headteacher Award stickers to our creative parents!



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Tag Rugby Success!

We are very proud of our Y5/6 team who represented us at a Tag Rugby tournament this week. We're very proud of our team for being awarded the 'enjoyment and good attitude' trophy too. Well done to our inspirational team!



World Mental Health Day – Thursday 10th October 2024

In addition to our wear yellow non-uniform day as part of World Mental Health Day on Thursday 10th October, we're also inviting families in to a special Coffee Morning from 9am where you can meet our CAHMs link worker. A great chance to get together, have a cuppa and a good old chat too.

World Mental Health Day - Thursday 10th October

Celebrate World Mental Health Day with Castleway!

#WeAreListening

#WeAreCastleway



Scooter Stars

Year 1 had a brilliantly active Scooter Stars session this week. These sessions are provided as part of our Active Travel Plan to encourage our children and families to be as active as possible and leave the car at home! Thanks to Chris from Wirral Council for facilitating this session for us.



Violin Tuition

As you know, our Year 3 children are having weekly violin tuition with our visiting specialist. It's clear to see from their lesson this week that Year 3 (and Mrs. Williams) are loving their tuition so far. They'll be performing for our proud families before we know it!



Another Great Week in Nursery School

Children in Nursery School have been practising painting and writing '1' and watching the CastleHens that have come to stay in their outdoor area. Also following on from their 'Picture News' about helping grow ups at home, the children decided to clean their classroom each day. We hope that our children have been sharing their new skills at home!



SENDLO Information Sharing Event

Our whole community is invited to join us for a special SENDLO Information Sharing Event at Castleway on Monday 25th November at 9am. This will be an informal event with a marketplace of SEND services. Come along for a brew and a chat. We look forward to seeing you there. If you need any further information, please see Miss McDonough.

Fabulous Footballers

As usual, it's been a very sporty week at Castleway! We've had two Y5/6 teams represent us (in our brand-new kit no less) at two events today. First at an Activity for All Football Tournament in the morning before taking part in the Tranmere Cup in the afternoon. As always, we were very proud of our teams!



Books at Bedtime

Our annual tradition for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is back and this time Nursery children are invited too! Books at Bedtime has proved to be a hit each year and we know it'll be even bigger and better this year. 'Save the date' for Tuesday 22nd November at 5pm. There'll be brews for adults in the hall while our children enjoy some reading fun!

Castleway's Annual Tradition

BOOKS AT BEDTIME

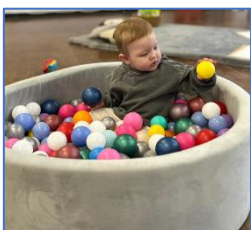
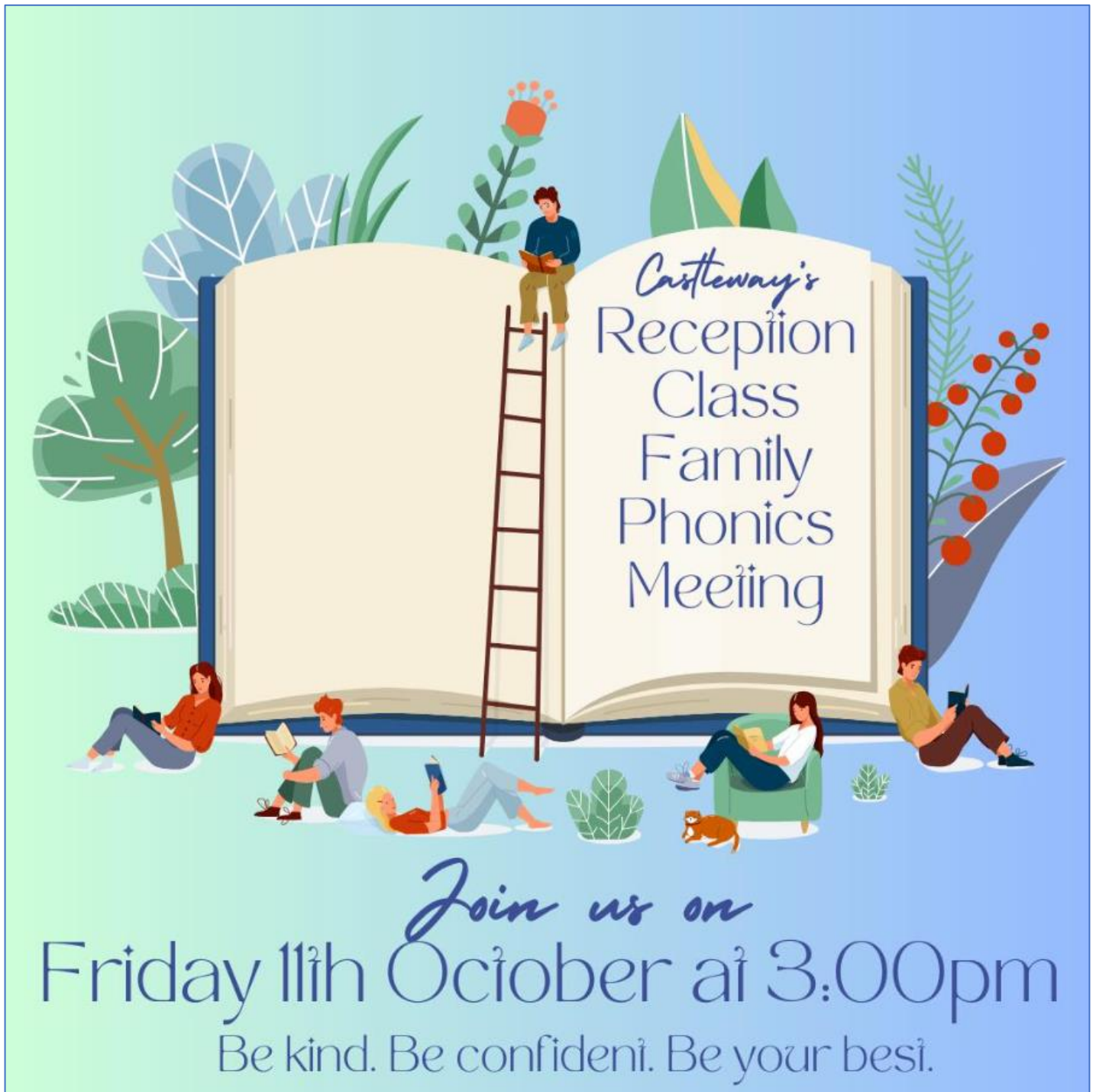
TUESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER - 5:00PM - NURSERY, RECEPTION, YEARS 1 & 2

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F2 Family Phonics Meeting

Another 'Save the date' for your diaries but this time for our Reception Class (F2) Family Phonics Meeting. Come along and hear all about how we teach reading at this vital, early stage. We hope to see you there on Friday 11th October at 3:00pm. If you can't make it, let the team know and we'll discuss alternative arrangements.



CastleTots – Our Parent and Toddler Group

Remember that [#CastleTots](https://twitter.com/#!/CastleTots) runs each Tuesday during term time from 9:30am. We invite the youngest members of our community to join us (along with their grown up) for our parent and toddler group.

All are welcome!



Coffee Morning – All Welcome!

Don't forget that anyone from our community is welcome to join us for a coffee, a chat and good old chuckle each Monday morning straight from drop off. See you all in our Botanic Room on Monday morning!



Have the best weekend together before we do it all again on Monday. Dates for your diary are on the next page.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Mycroft'.

Mr. S. Mycroft
Headteacher



#CastleDates for your Diary

When?	What?	Who?
09/10/24 11:30am	Come Dine with Year 1 Bookings via School Spider Please	Year 1 Families
10/10/24	World Mental Health Day Non-Uniform Day – Wear Yellow £1 Donation via School Spider or Cash	All children and staff
10/10/24	Meet CAHMs Coffee Morning 9:00am in the school hall	Families and Community Members
11/10/24	F2 Family Phonics Meeting 3:00pm in the school hall	F2 Families
16/10/24 11:30am	Come Dine with Year 2 Bookings via School Spider Please	Year 2 Families
22/10/24	EYFS Spooky Fun Day Non-uniform – wear your spookiest outfit!	Nursery School & F2 children
22/10/24	Spooky Disco! £1.50 per ticket (includes drink & snacks) via School Spider 10:50 – 11:20 – Nursery School 14:20 – 14:50 – Nursery School 14:50 – 15:20 – F2 & KS1 15:25 – 16:00 – KS2	All children Children in Years 1 – 6 bring their disco clothes to change in to. Uniform as normal all day for Years 1 - 6.
23/10/24 11:30am	Come Dine with Year 3 Bookings available soon via School Spider	Year 3 Families
24/10/24 09:30	Harvest Assembly – Performed by Year 2	Year 2 Families
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 11:30am	Come Dine with Year 4 Bookings available soon via School Spider	Year 4 Families
06/11/24	Parents’ Evening (3:30 – 6:30pm) Bookings available soon via School Spider	Nursery & Primary School Families
07/11/24	Parents’ Evening (3:30 – 5:00pm) Bookings available soon via School Spider	Nursery & Primary School Families
13/11/24 11:30am	Come Dine with Year 5 Bookings available soon via School Spider	Year 5 Families
20/11/24 11:30am	Come Dine with Year 6 Bookings available soon via School Spider	Year 6 Families
22/11/24	Books at Bedtime 5:00pm back at school	Nursery, F2, Year 1 & Year 2 Children
25/11/24	SENDLO Information Sharing Event 9:00am in the school hall	All families and community members
27/11/24 11:30am	Come Dine with F2 Bookings available soon via School Spider	F2 Families

Sorry to mention Christmas before Halloween but there are some Festive Dates for your Diary on the next page.



Festive Dates for your Diary

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

