

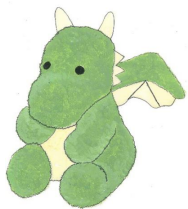
# Welcome



# Who's Who

- ▶ Mrs Fitzpatrick- Headteacher
- ▶ Mrs Cameron - Deputy Headteacher and Early Years Teacher
- ▶ Mrs Nocella - Early Years Teacher
- ▶ Miss Skinner - Early Years Teacher

# Governors



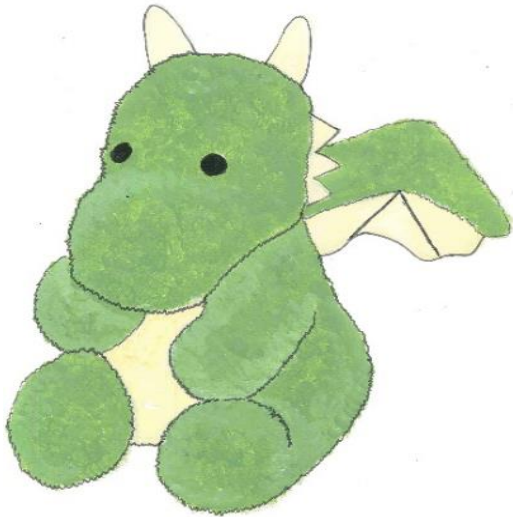
# Our school vision

Every school day a successful day for all ...  
Whatever it takes

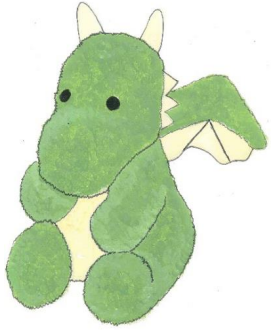
Our vision for Castle Hill Infant School is to create a diverse and inclusive environment where lifelong learning, well-being and adaptability are key. We will foster well-rounded individuals who are confident, resilient and self-motivated, preparing them for success in an ever changing world.

# This vision is underpinned by our core values

- ▶ Community
- ▶ Aspiration
- ▶ Self-esteem
- ▶ Trust
- ▶ Learning
- ▶ Excellence



# Cosmo the Community Dragon



# We work collaboratively

I will listen carefully to others

I value the contributions of others

I respect others



# Astro the Aspiration Dragon





We can achieve  
anything

I have hopes and dreams for the  
future



# Sparkle the Self-esteem Dragon



We feel good  
about ourselves

I believe in myself

I speak positively about myself

I am confident



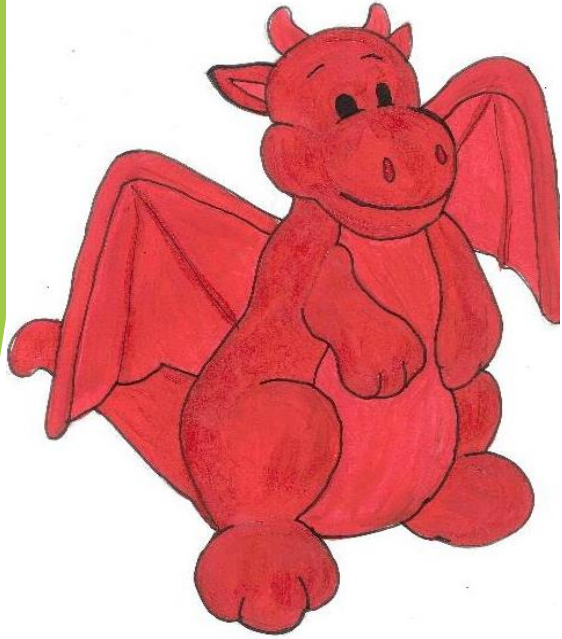
Tickle the  
Truth Dragon



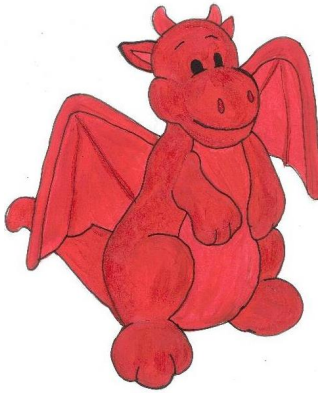
# We are honest

I do what I say

I say what really happened



# Lightning the Learning Dragon



# We are resilient

I can keep trying when I face difficulties

I can challenge myself to try new things

I am ready and resourceful

I know that making mistakes is part of learning



# Ember the Excellence Dragon





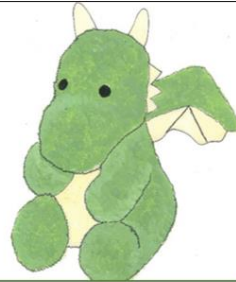
We are the best  
we can be

I will make the most of the opportunities I am given

I will work hard and do the best I can

I take pride in my work

Cosmo the  
Community Dragon



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Aspiration Dragon



We can achieve anything

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Dragon



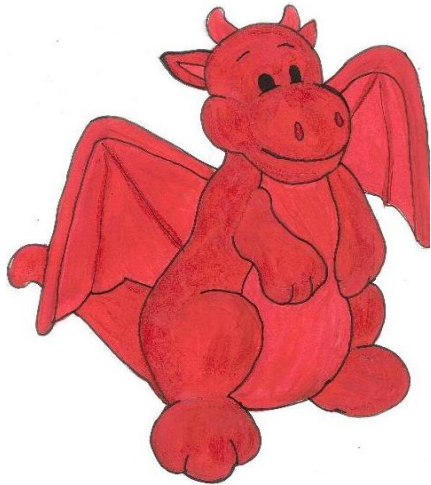
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We feel good about ourselves

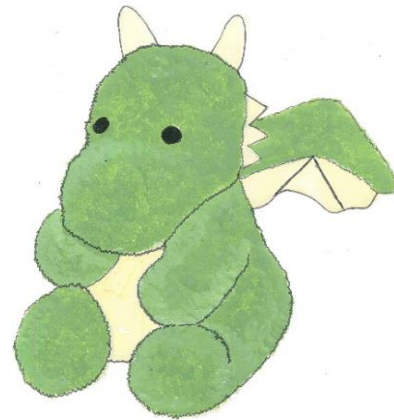
# Our Core Curriculum Values



- ▶ Independence
- ▶ Emotional Intelligence
- ▶ Spirituality
- ▶ Creativity
- ▶ Thinking
- ▶ Interdependence

# Parent Partnership

- ▶ Open door policy
- ▶ Project activities and events
- ▶ Home learning
- ▶ Newsletters
- ▶ Diary dates
- ▶ Website
- ▶ Arbor



# Reminders

- ▶ Lunch
- ▶ Attendance
- ▶ Jewellery

# Uniform



# Pre-school jitters

We understand that when your child starts school it can be a worrying but also exciting time.

There are so many questions that you would like answered and you want the best for your child.

We want the best for your child too!



# Early Years Team





# The Early Years Foundation Stage

We link all of our learning with the seven areas of learning and development of the Early Years Foundation Stage:

- ▶ Communication and Language
- ▶ Physical Development
- ▶ Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Literacy
- ▶ Understanding the World
- ▶ Expressive Arts and Design



Establishing rules and routines



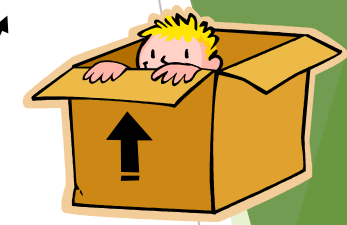
Children learning about the world around them



Enjoying life



PLAY!!!

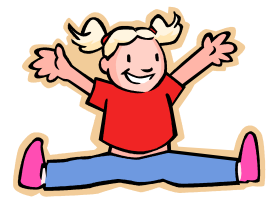


Fresh air and exercise



# What does the Early Years mean to us?

Having fun!



The Great Outdoors

Asking questions - "But why, why, why?"



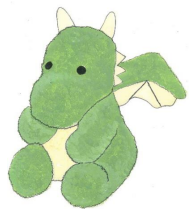
Experimenting, investigating and trying to find out



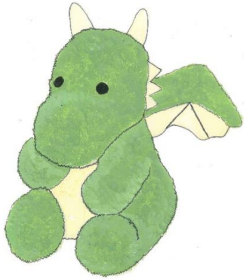
Us learning from children

# Our projects

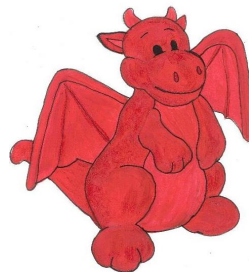
- ▶ Marvellous Me!
- ▶ The Great Outdoors
- ▶ Happy Birthday
- ▶ The Magic Ride
- ▶ Old MacDonald Had a Farm
- ▶ Step into a Story
- ▶ When I grow up
- ▶ Are We Ready Yet?



# How can you prepare your child for school?



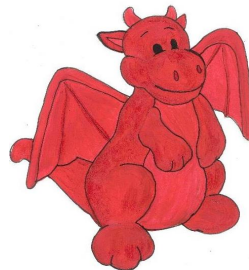
- ▶ Talk to your child
- ▶ Come to the stay and play sessions
  - ▶ Share the teacher videos
- ▶ Practise putting on their uniform and PE kit and taking it off again



# How can you prepare your child for school?



- ▶ Involve them in naming their belongings
  - ▶ Practise your route to school
  - ▶ Practise recognising their name
- ▶ Share books, nursery rhymes and songs
- ▶ Count and look for numbers in the environment



# How can you prepare your child for school?



- ▶ Encourage your child to be independent with going to the toilet and wiping
- ▶ Encourage them to wash their hands
- ▶ Encourage them to use a knife and fork at the table



# All About Me Boxes

- ▶ There is a letter in this evening's pack
- ▶ This box is for your child to fill with up to 6 items they would like to share about themselves. We will use it during our Marvellous Me project to get to know your children
- ▶ You may like to include some of the following:
  - Family photos
  - Drawings/ pictures
  - Hobbies
  - Likes and dislikes

# Important dates for your diary

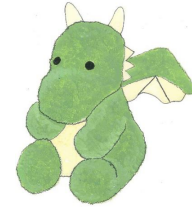




# Stay and Play for Parents and Children

In June there will be three stay and play sessions, starting at 3:15:

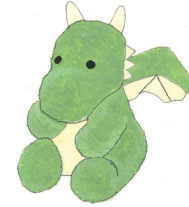
- ▶ Session 1: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June
- ▶ Session 2: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June
- ▶ Session 3: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July



This will be an opportunity to meet the staff and for the children to become familiar with the school. We ask that you do not bring siblings to these.



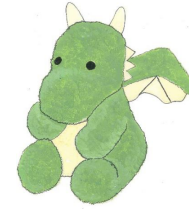
# Home visits



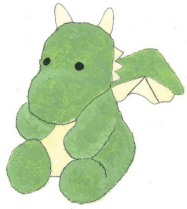
We like to make home visits to give families time to get to know us and for us to give individual time to our new children. Our wish is that all families feel supported and all children have the best possible start to school.



# Home visits



We will make home visits on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>,  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September.  
Times for these will be given out at our  
third stay and play session on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
July.



# Starting School

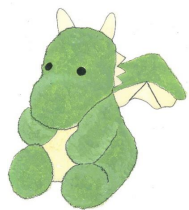
**Stay and play session 4: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September**  
**9:00-11:00am - Parents/carers and children**

A coffee morning for parents will be held at  
10:00-11:00am in the hall

**Stay and play session 5: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September**  
**8:45am-12:00pm - Children only**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September - Children start full time**  
**8:45am - 3:15pm**

If you have any concerns in the first few days or you have additional things to tell us, please arrange a meeting with us

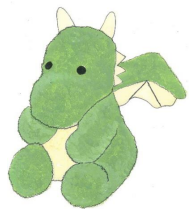


# Please remember...

Starting school is a **BIG** thing for a young child!

Please be patient with them and remember:  
one step at a time!

Thank you!

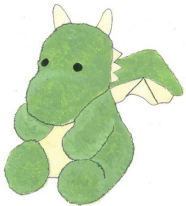


# Parent Support Advisor

Carol Robertson

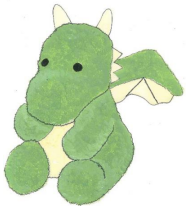


# Castle Hill Friends





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# Pabulum

