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In our newsletter we are highlighting areas of either **Spiritual, Moral, Social, or Cultural** learning that our pupils are taking part in. Many of these are linked to children's rights as identified by Unicef and our fundamental British Values.

Message from the Principal

What a busy time we have had here at school in the final half of the Summer term. We have enjoyed Graduation, our Accreditation Assembly, Parents Evening and Transition Fortnight. We can also see from our Newsletter that our students have been engaged in a variety of highly motivating learning experiences including Sports Day, CastleFest and time with Shabang! It's been a full and exciting journey!

As this academic year comes to a close we are already looking forward to next year and the wide variety of experiences and opportunities it will bring. We are also looking forward to our three new play areas being completed over the break and being ready for use in Autumn term. In the meantime, I hope everyone has a restful break and we look forward to our return on Tuesday 5th September.

Steve Perren
Principal

Sixth Form 1

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Sixth Form 1 have been getting out and about, exploring local parks and building up shopping skills.

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AFA have enjoyed getting out and about in the sunshine.

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Early Years

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EYFS have enjoyed learning through play and exploration.

Transition 1

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T1 have been busy preparing for graduation, use their fine and gross motor skills to create leavers posters and bunting.

CastleFest

Our Summer Celebrations

Graduation



As always, a big thanks to everyone who has supported our Graduates, from the parents, carers and staff who spent the day with us, to the kind support from local companies.



Celebrating Collaboration!



CastleFest is a celebration for all. This is our annual community arts festival celebrating collaboration, relationships and community.

Celebrating Relationships!



Celebrating Community!



Sports Day

We had lots of fun taking part in physical challenges on Sports Day. Well done everyone!



Our students really enjoy being involved in recycling and upcycling activities in our new ReWorks building. This term they have been busy making paper pulp bricks for recycling, crushing cans for recycling, making rag wreaths, and holding a pre-loved clothing sale.



We've also enjoyed hosting pupils from Honley and Newsome High Schools in two of our weekly sessions. They are learning about how to support our students with tasks and activities, and how to communicate and have fun together.

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ReWorks



The activities are giving the students an opportunity to take part in work-related learning and provides them with a real sense of achievement.



Pupil Wellbeing

Wellbeing is critical to cognitive development and social and emotional development. At Castle Hill School we support our pupils to meet the seven indicators of wellbeing:

- Feeling confident**
- Expressing emotions**
- Building good relationships**
- Engaging with the world**
- Living productively**
- Coping with stress**
- Adapting in times of change**

Pupils have been preparing to 'adapt in times of change' (one of the indicators of wellbeing), as they participate in links to their new class ahead of transition.

School Council and S3



The School Council have started to focus on developing pupil voice further through choice making at dinner time. A pupil from Secondary 3 is choosing his own pudding from a wide selection.

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Primary



P4

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In Primary 4, we have enjoyed exploring Measure in our maths lessons, using transporting schema to explore water and the concepts of full, half full and empty.



P3

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Out of all the fun we have had in our last half term in P3, we have mostly enjoyed spending time with our class friends.



P2

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P2 have been enjoying the good weather this term! We've been making the most of it and exploring outdoor physical activities as well as going to the park.



P5

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P5 have loved being outside in the sunshine!



P1

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P1 have enjoyed a range of extra-curricular activities, engaging with lots of confidence, smiles and laughter!

Secondary



S2

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We have had such a fantastic time this year in S2. We will miss all our friends moving up to 6th form but also excited for them too. Good luck everyone x



This half term, Secondary 5 have been keeping active, competing in skittles tournaments.

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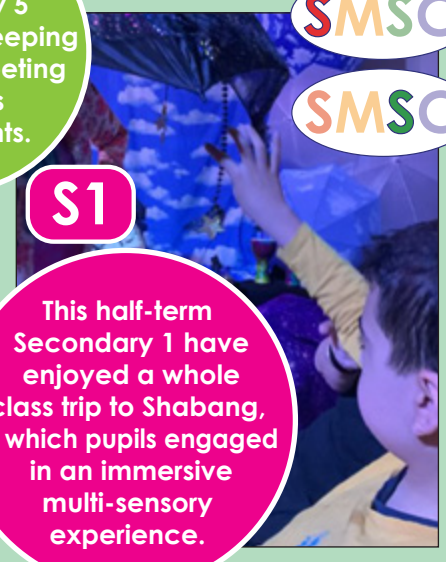
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S4

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This term S4 have enjoyed team building games and sports activities. We have had lots of fun with the egg and spoon race, skittles and sports day fun!



S1

This half-term Secondary 1 have enjoyed a whole class trip to Shabang, in which pupils engaged in an immersive multi-sensory experience.

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