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Message from the Principal

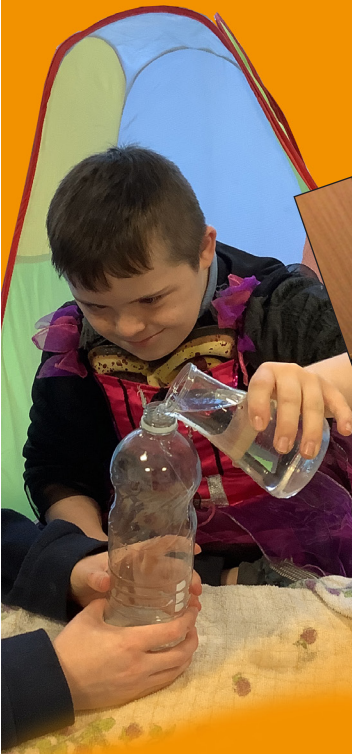
What a busy time we've had this half term. As we can see from our Newsletter we've achieved a lot over this time. The students have been out and about in the community enjoying the warm September weather and have also been enjoying the fresh air whilst playing and learning in our new playgrounds.

It was great to see our community attending our MacMillian Coffee morning and we managed to raise a significant sum to pass on.

We've all really enjoyed our emergency service based themes and as we can see from our front page P5 were visited by two members of our local constabulary!

I hope everyone has a great half term and we'll see everyone on Monday 6th November.

Steve Perren
Principal






This half term in Secondary 5 we have been exploring a range of breakfast items during Food Exploration lessons. Pupil favourites have been scrambled eggs and toast!

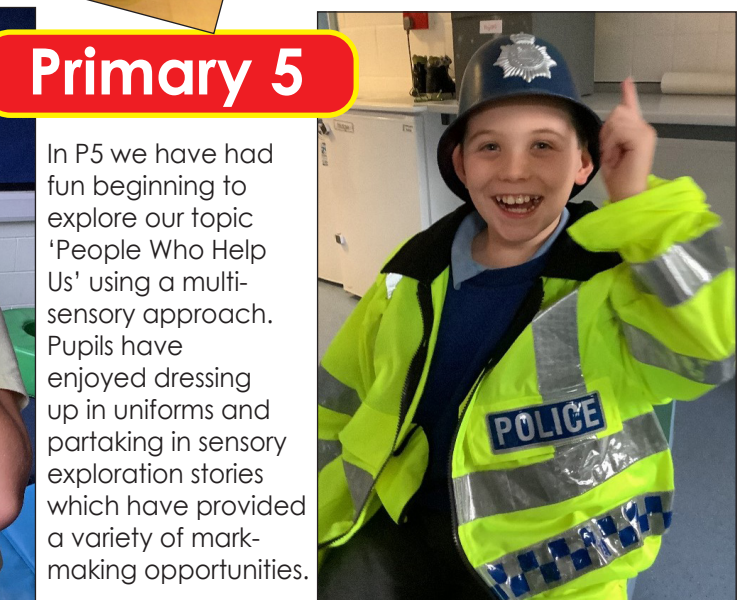


Secondary 5





Primary 5



In P5 we have had fun beginning to explore our topic 'People Who Help Us' using a multi-sensory approach. Pupils have enjoyed dressing up in uniforms and partaking in sensory exploration stories which have provided a variety of mark-making opportunities.

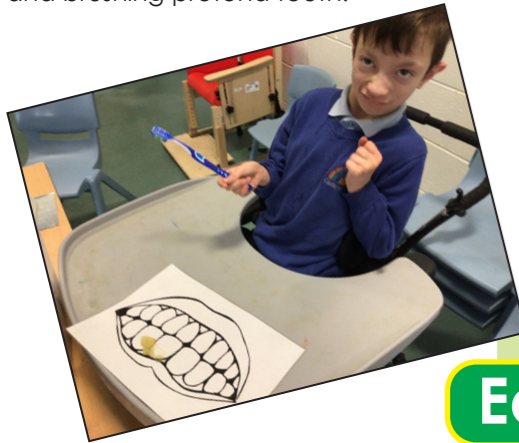


In our newsletter we are highlighting areas of either **Spiritual, Moral, Social, or Cultural** learning that our pupils are taking part in. Many of these are linked to children's rights as identified by Unicef and our fundamental British Values.

Primary 1



We have been learning about 'People Who Help Us'. We have enjoyed the Sensory Story "Going to the Dentist". We have been busy dressing up as dentists and brushing pretend teeth.



Macmillan Coffee Morning



Our Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning raised £260.43 for this wonderful cause. It was well supported by parents, friends and all in school. There were green activities in the hall and a variety of cakes and savouries were on sale. We also had a Castle Hill Bake Off competition.

Thank you to everyone involved.



Secondary 1



Secondary 1 pupils have been having lots of fun using their voices and engaging with Intensive Interaction strategies.



School Council



We have held our School Council elections. The School Council representatives posted their nomination forms in the ballot box borrowed from Kirklees Electoral Services.



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



Building and maintaining relationships is one of the indicators of wellbeing, pupils benefit from opportunities such as snack shop, to interact with peers from different phases.

Early Years

EYFS have had a busy start to the term, building new relationships and friendships and settling into our routines of play and learning!



We have all enjoyed learning outside in our new outdoor play area; exploring the sandpit, swinging on the hammock and creating music!



Primary 3



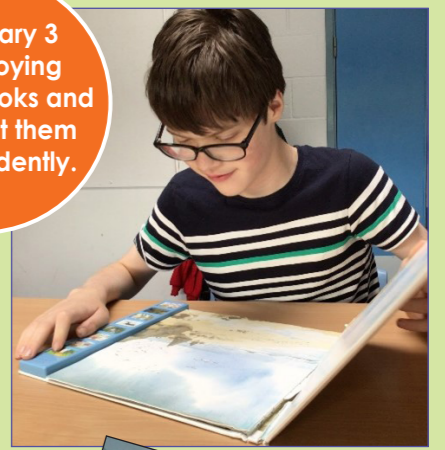
P3 have been working on using their fine motor skills to explore purposeful mark-making with increasing realisation! Well done P3.



Secondary 3



Secondary 3 are enjoying sharing books and looking at them independently.



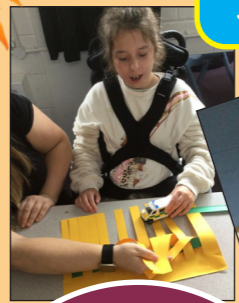
Sixth Form 1



Safety on the roads We have been out on the local roads, practising our road crossing skills and watching out for dangers.



Secondary 2



It's been another busy start to the new school year with a focus on our topic, exploring the emergency services and investigating sounds, colours and uniforms.



AFA



It is great to be back together and getting out and about in the community, learning life skills and having fun.



Secondary 4



Our students from S4 have been enjoying their link with their new friends from Honley High School, working together on different projects in ReWorks.



Primary 2



P4 have really been enjoying science activities, such as making sensory bottles and demonstrating realisation for properties of materials. Well done P4!



Primary 4



Transition 1



In T1 this half term we have been working with natural dyes. We have enjoyed exploring the different smells and the vibrant colours. We have even produced some art using the different dyes that we created.



P2 are having lots of fun learning all about people who help us through a multi-sensory approach!

