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for Communication
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Message from the Principal

What a great year we have had, it does however, seem to have flown by!

Our Summer term has been a great success with a wide variety of exciting learning opportunities to experience. Castlefest was wonderful and our friends from Shabang excelled as usual. When Sports Day arrived all participants were full of sporting prowess, with just the right amount of healthy competition between teams! Everyone clearly enjoyed the energy and fun of the main event!

At this time of year we also say goodbye to our leavers. It's always sad to see them

go but we wish them well on their new adventure. The Graduation day itself was fabulous and it was a privilege to be able to spend time with families and students to celebrate their success.

The summer break is now upon us and I hope everyone has an enjoyable time.

We look forward to seeing you on the 3rd September.

Steve Perren
Principal



Primary 5



P5 have enjoyed linking with other classes to develop our social skills. We have also explored gardening- planting flowers and watching them grow!

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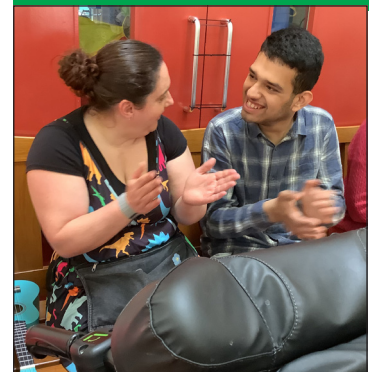
S2 were very proud of the pressed flower pictures they have created as part of an AQA unit.

They collected the flowers from the school grounds themselves, learned how to press them and turn them into the amazing art!



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Transition 1



What an exciting term it has been! From Castlefest to Shabang, sports day to graduation! T1 have thrown themselves into all of it!

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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.

Secondary 1

S1 have really enjoyed being outside. We have explored the different play equipment, making choices about what we like and dislike and developing our communication skills asking for 'more'. We particularly enjoyed the roundabout and the hammock swing. We had lots of fun!



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Sixth Form 1

We have been working in ReWorks, using recycled materials to make "bug hotels". Luxury accommodation for our creepy-crawly friends!



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CastleFest

Celebrating Collaboration!

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

Celebrating Relationships!

Celebrating Community!



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Sports Day

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



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Primary 4

P4 have been really getting involved in letter of the week, saying, signing and writing the letter as well as exploring a variety of letter of the week activities. Well done P4!

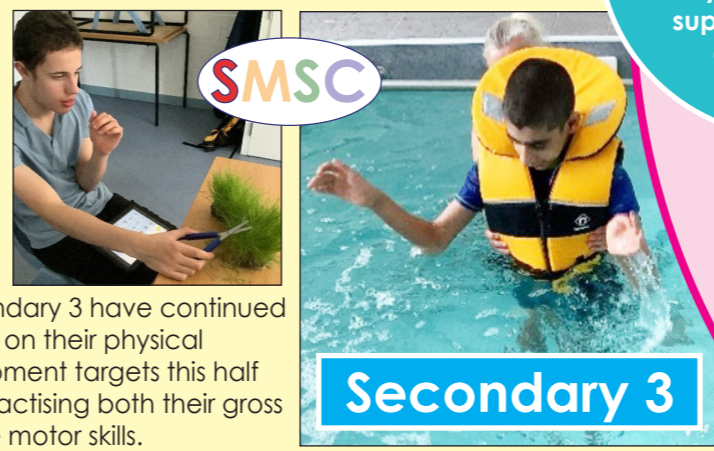


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Secondary 3

Secondary 3 have continued to work on their physical development targets this half term, practising both their gross and fine motor skills.



Primary 3

P3 have been exploring a variety of sensory materials relating to the topic mini beasts. We have particularly been enjoying making marks in foam! Well done P3.

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We held the launch of our new resources this half term. The light toys are a favourite, particularly the Spangalorb! These resources are available for all classes to borrow.

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.



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Secondary 5



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Secondary 5 have enjoyed expanding our communication skills in different environments and activities.

Our pupils have enjoyed music with Jessie's Fund and weekly sessions in the ReWorks. We like it loud!



We have been busy in the greenhouse and garden this term. We have planted peas, beans and sunflowers and have successfully grown a crop of potatoes.

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When the sun came out we went outside to develop our numeracy skills by filling and emptying containers with water.

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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

Secondary 4



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Primary 1

P1 have been enjoying opportunities to get creative! We have enjoyed painting, mark making, and exploring lots of different materials!



Primary 2

P2 have enjoyed exploring their listening skills and finding some inner peace with our weekly sound bath sessions!



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S4 have enjoyed exploring a number of sport based activities including obstacle courses and using the swings!



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Early Years



Our Early Years pupils have been exploring our specialist learning areas, particularly rebound therapy and the hydrotherapy pool. They are all making great progress with their physical development.



Adapting in times of change is one of the indicators of wellbeing. Sixth Form students have been preparing for their friends' graduation by making floral displays.