

Message from the Principal

Here at school everyone has enjoyed this busy half term and now that the weather is improving, we have even been able to get out and about without our raincoats!

Bikeability have visited over the last few weeks and many of our students have loved joining the cycle convoy as it wove its way around our cycle track. As we can see classes continued to enjoy our food based themes over the term and have appreciated the multitude of tasty activities on offer!

World book day was a success and celebrated not just here at school but also throughout the Trust. We hope that everyone revisited their favourite stories and tried some new and exciting page turners.

We have all been looking forward to our Easter Assembly to welcome spring and celebrate new beginnings. With this in mind, we are anticipating some exciting changes on our return with a new meadow scene being painted at the entrance of the Primary department and the completion of our prayer and wellbeing room which will be the new home for our remembrance tree. Everyone is welcome to visit and celebrate these new developments on our return.

In the meantime, I hope that everyone has a Happy Easter break! We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 22nd April.

Steve Perren
Principal



We have enjoyed our Bikeability sessions this half term. Many of our pupils have grown in confidence with the bikes and when interacting with the less familiar staff.

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We have been working really hard in Hydrotherapy. We have gained confidence this term to walk around the pool with reduced support and learnt a new skill floating on our front.



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P3 have been receiving Parallel Rhythm input (a creative arts project) from a qualified Musician. They have been working on exploring rhythm in a way that's meaningful to them.

Well done P3!



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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.





S5

This half term S5 have explored activities linked to Ramadan and Eid. Pupils have made cards and explored the process of making salt dough creations, with a crescent moon and star design.

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World Book Day



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P2

This half term P2 have been exploring the outdoors! Our friends have been enjoying playing on the swings both in school and the wider community.



P1

This half term in P1 we have been loving the brighter weather! We have enjoyed lots of opportunities to explore the different outdoor spaces, working on our communication, peer interactions, and physical skills!

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We in P5 always enjoy our 'Snack Chefs' sessions.

On Tuesday we buy our ingredients at the supermarket and then on Wednesday we make something delicious. It is Easter baskets this week!



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School Council



Eco School

Our School Council are carrying out tasks towards achieving Eco-School status.

We looked around our outside spaces and found an area that could have more life in it. We worked hard to plant wildflowers to brighten the area up. We look forward to watching them grow.



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Fruit Week

School Council members made posters in preparation for our annual Fruit Week.

We explored and tasted different fruits each day in class and welcomed families into school for our Family Fruit Morning.



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Many thanks to everyone who sent in donations of fruit!



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S3

S3 have enjoyed this term's topic about food, we have been exploring our likes and dislikes.

We have been shopping for ingredients and following recipes, and of course, enjoying eating our end results!



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Primary AFA have enjoyed spending time with our friends from Bikeability this half term.



We celebrated Chinese New Year in Upper AFA. We explored noodles with chopsticks and made a snake for our wall.



SF1

We have been hard at work in ReWorks. We have been practising our craft skills as we turn recycled tins into plant pots.

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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



S4 have enjoyed exploring their knowledge of healthy eating and snacks, making fruit yoghurt bark and fruit kebabs for snacks.

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Eunice, our Rights Respecting lamb, and her friends from AFA are excited to announce that we are being re-accredited for the Unicef Gold award in May. We can't wait to show Unicef around our school to see how our pupils are empowered to enjoy their rights.

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The topic this term of food has provided lots of opportunities for students to develop their independence and achieve the wellbeing indicator of living productively, for example, using toasters and waffle makers!



P4 have been really enjoying celebrating all the days relating to religious celebrations, such as Pancake day. They really persisted in flipping the pancakes and demonstrated pride in their achievement. Well done P4!



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S2 have been visiting local supermarkets in support of this term's topic 'Café Society'. With help we have matched the supermarkets logos to the stores.