

Message from the Principal

It's been a busy but short half term, and we've managed to pack a lot of learning into the time we've had. It's also been great to have some pleasant weather for the students to take advantage of both around school and in the wider community.

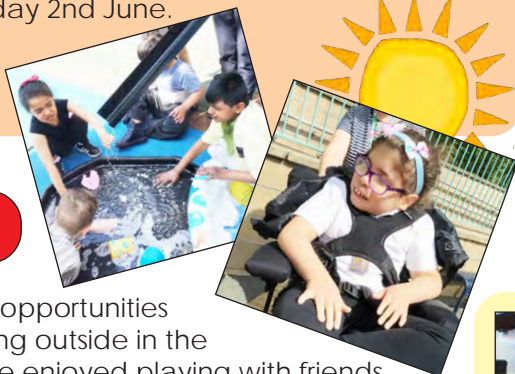
Our Sixth Formers have been working hard looking after our raised bed plants and have also planted new seedlings ready for a bumper crop in summer.

Our commitment to the great outdoors and our physical curriculum was also recognised this term as we renewed our School Games Gold Award.

We also completed our UNICEF quality standard assessment day and are looking forward to feedback from the organisation soon. We hope to be able to share some good news!

That's it for this newsletter, I hope that everyone has a great half term holiday. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 2nd June.

Steve Perren
Principal



Primary 1

P1 have enjoyed opportunities to take our learning outside in the sunshine! We have enjoyed playing with friends from different classes, exploring different playgrounds, and lots of water play to keep cool!



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Grandparents' Craft and Chatter



Our first Grandparents' Craft and Chatter session was a great success, with grandparents from ten families attending. Everyone enjoyed the picture frame making activity and the children were clearly delighted to have their special visitors in school. It was lovely to see the special bond in each family and to share a little bit of school life with the grandparents.



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SF1 have been preparing for the "Coffee and Cake" morning by baking lots of delicious cakes.

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Sixth Form 1



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.

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Secondary 1



In S1 we have been 'Around the World' to Malaysia.

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We explored Malaysian food and we made our own pulled tea called Teh Tarik which was a lot of fun!



Sixth Form 2



This term in SF2 we have been continuing on with our collaboration with the parallel rhythms project with the focus being on combining meaningful exploration with the production of a piece of art.

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This has lead us to using cleaning tools to create some truly stunning artwork, as well as getting very messy along the way!



Secondary 3



In S3 we have been enjoying the topic around the world visiting different countries each week, learning information about all the different foods, music and weather from each place, recording it all with photos in our class passports.

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P4 have been exploring rhyming words and discovering songs related to topic. We've been having lots of fun!

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Primary 4



Early Years

We enjoyed a visit from Nala, the Therapy Dog, last week.



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Primary 5



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P5 have been enjoying spending time with some of our friends who come to visit us. We have had sport with Richard, dance with Jamie, and music with Richard. We really enjoy these enriching sessions!



Secondary 2



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In support of this terms topic, 'Around the World' S2 will be 'visiting' a variety of different countries – the first one we visited was France. We packed cases, made delicious French bread, painted flags and danced the Can Can!

S4 have been learning about cultures around the world.

Secondary 4



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We have been exploring different multisensory resources linked to India, painting with turmeric, baking cardamom biscuits and dressing in traditional clothing.

School Council

Eco School



School Council members continued work on the Eco-Schools Project with Alistair this half term. We planted wildflower seedlings in the grassy area at the top of school before watering them carefully.

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Secondary 5

This half term in S5 we are enjoying our topic 'Around the World'. Pupils have spent time enjoying the warmer weather in the wheelchair accessible playground.



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We have also spent time with our friends out of our equipment.



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We have been enjoying walks in Greenhead Park in the beautiful spring weather.

AFA



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

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P3 have been persisting in mark-making and developing our fine motor skills. Well done P3!

In Upper AFA we have been applying and developing our life skills by doing jobs around school.



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Pupils have been engaging in activities with peers in different classes as part of Communication Week this term, supporting the wellbeing indicator of **building and maintaining relationships**.



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Primary 2

This half term P2 have been exploring making local foods. Here we are having a go at Yorkshire puddings as part of the theme 'The world around me'!

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We enjoyed doing lots of mixing and exploring of the texture of our ingredients.

