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## AFA



Pupils from AFA have been exploring the apparatus in the hall. We are learning about taking turns and helping each other.

## 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 exploring exciting outdoor activities which support the wellbeing indicator 'engaging with the world around you'.



## Sixth Form 1



SF1 have been getting ready for spring by exploring planting seeds. Students have practised using some of the tools required and the skills needed to fill a plant pot with soil. Hopefully we'll have some beautiful plants by the summer term!



We were joined by dancers from the Rambert Dance Theatre for a morning of dance and fun. We enjoyed interacting with the dancers and coming up with our own exciting dance moves.

## Sixth Form 2



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Our school website - [www.castlehillschool.org.uk](http://www.castlehillschool.org.uk)

## Early Years



Many of us enjoy our regular sessions in rebound therapy. We initiate movements and communicate when we want 'more' bouncing!



We met to choose which resources we wanted to buy with the money from our last two Christmas Card fundraisers. We were keen on the light resources!

## School Council



## Message from the Principal

As we can see from our Newsletter, we've had a great ½ term and certainly made the most of every learning opportunity!

The days have been getting longer and we have been enjoying a bit more spring sunshine. The trees and plants in our school grounds are also starting to bloom and our outdoor learning opportunities with Lee have been going from strength to strength! Everyone has been enjoying the innovative and engaging activities provided. Last week we also received our new school bus which is really exciting! Our fleet is now back to 4 which will ensure that our community-based education can continue to thrive and flourish.

New headteacher interviews were completed at the beginning of this ½ term and we are all looking forward to Kieran Welsh joining our community in September. Kieran is currently a headteacher at Astley Park School in Chorley, another outstanding school! Further updates will follow closer to the time.

I hope everyone has a fabulous Easter break.

We are looking forward to our summer term beginning on the 13<sup>th</sup> April.

Steve Perren  
Principal



## Sixth Form 3

Beep beep, look out, SF3 coming through! We wanted to highlight the amazing work being done on the track chair this term. The students in SF3 just love getting out and about around school and being in charge of the track chair!



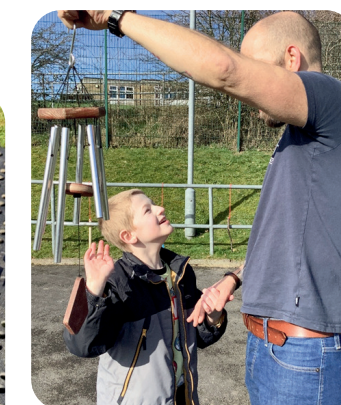
## Primary 1



P1 have enjoyed our messy maths sessions this term, working on extending our schema exploration and developing our early maths skills during our "hidden flowers" activity.



## Primary 2



This half term P2 have been making the most of outdoor learning and exploring the change in seasons!

### Primary 3



P3 have been developing their confidence exploring foods in increasingly complex ways with initial modelling. Well done P3!



### Primary 4



P4 have been working on their life skills, following instructions to complete recipes. Great work P4!



### Fundraising

A big thank you to everyone who bought and sold Easter raffle tickets. All proceeds are going toward a new school mini-bus.



### Primary 5



P5 enjoys our 'snack chefs' lessons. We buy our ingredients from the supermarket on Tuesdays and then prepare our delicious snacks on Wednesday mornings. It really helps our skills for independence.

### Secondary 1



Pupils in S1 have been working on their gross motor skills by making a splash in Hydrotherapy!

## FUTURE READY



It was great to see so many parents of our older students at our Coffee and Cake morning. It was a fantastic opportunity to meet a wide range of providers from day centres to the Social Care and Medical transition teams. We look forward to going even bigger next year!

### Secondary 2



S2 have been making the most of the dry days by exploring the playgrounds around school.

### Secondary 3



This half term S3 have enjoyed the most of the beautiful weather, learning about keeping our bodies healthy by doing our daily exercise outside.



### Families

We had a lovely fun parent/carer craft session making kites from upcycled materials. It was lovely opportunity for families to enjoy some shared crafting activities.



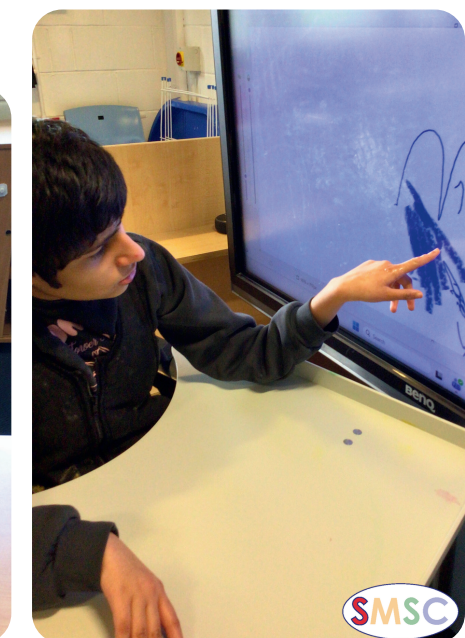
### Unicef

In March we've been focused on opportunities for us to join in with other children, groups and organisations, linked to the UNICEF Rights of the Child Article 15. Some friends from Hillside School have been helping us with our PE sessions.



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 4



In Secondary 4, we have been generalising our mark making skills, adding using balloons to create marks on paper and exploring the use of paint on the plasma screen.