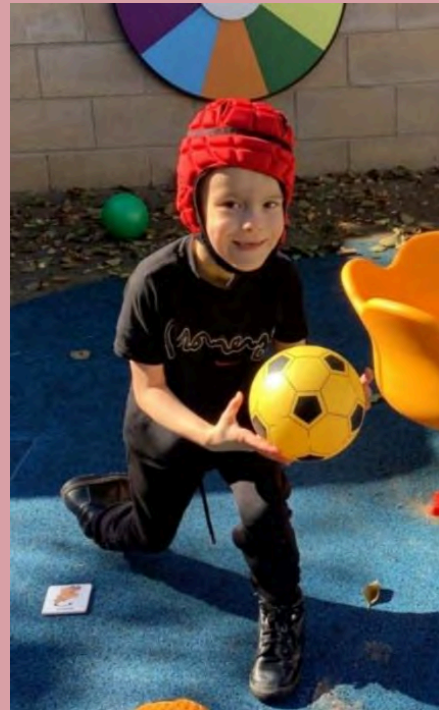


Wellbeing

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



Feeling confident is one of the indicators of wellbeing. Pupils develop this through a multitude of activities, including ball games with peers.

This half term, Sixth Form 1 have been experiencing and preparing healthy snacks. We have made toast, salad and smoothies.



Sixth Form 1

Sixth Form 2

We had fun planting trees with the Conservation Volunteers. We worked hard and planted lots of trees.



Even as the temperature has dropped we have been managing to get outside to enjoy our forest school sessions. Our students just love experiencing what nature has to offer.



Sixth Form 3

SMSC

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.



NEWSLETTER 116

Autumn - 19th December 2025

Our school website - www.castlehillschool.org.uk

Message from the Principal

Our Newsletter is full of Autumnal learning and It's great to see that despite the cold weather many of our students have been enjoying outdoor education in the winter sunshine. Our Sixth Formers have also been doing their bit for the environment and have planted a variety of trees in the Newsome area. It's exciting to know that this work will help us towards achieving the Eco-School Award.

This time of year is also full of festive fun as we move towards the Christmas break. Our students have been working hard decorating trees and making cards and presents. We have also been practicing hard for the whole school Christmas Assembly which we all enjoy.

Following the break, we have the Spring term to look forward to but in the meantime have a great Christmas and New Year and we'll see everyone on Monday 5th January.

Steve Perren
Principal

Early Years 1



Early Years 2



We are enjoying our weekly Outdoor Learning sessions with Lee!

Primary 1



We have been enjoying our daily story time session this term. We enjoy making choices about which book we would like to read together.

Fundraising

We are raising funds for a much-needed new minibus which our pupils use daily to support their independence and learning. We'd really appreciate it if anyone could help with fundraising. Maybe you could do a sponsored event, make a donation via goodhub.com or buy some tickets from our Christmas Raffle. All support would be very welcome and appreciated.

Primary 2



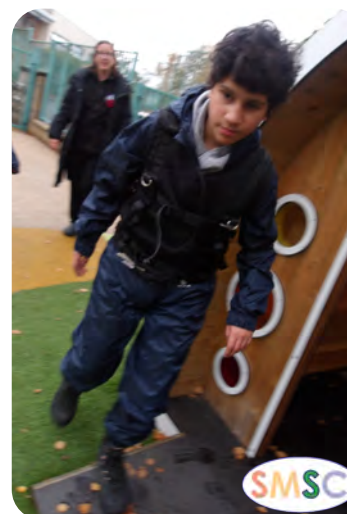
This term we have been exploring winter with our senses. We have been demonstrating preference between hot and cold sensory stimuli, and making mince pies!

Primary 3



We have been persisting in building and knocking down a range of towers.

AFA



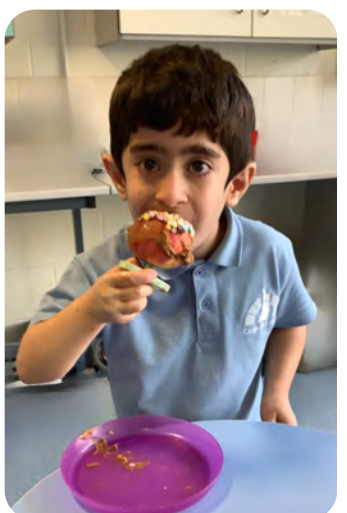
Pupils in AFA are ready for any weather in our new puddle suits.

Primary 4



We have been exploring a range of sports activities and working as a team!

Primary 5



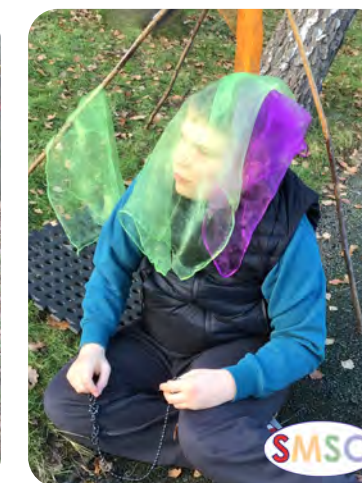
We have been enjoying our Snack Chefs sessions. We made chocolate apples - delicious!

Secondary 1



We have been enjoying some self care, making bath bombs and body scrubs.

Secondary 2



We have been joining in with Outdoor Learning activities. We have had fun exploring a variety of resources and environments whilst working outdoors.

Secondary 3



We have enjoyed the Christmas festivities. We have been 'Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree' whilst decorating independently.

Secondary 4



We have been exploring schema in a darkened classroom environment, using the light box.

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY

We have enjoyed lots of festive activities on the run up to Christmas. The School Council prepared our parties, Early Years told us the story of the Nativity, families were invited to our whole school Christmas performance, we enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner, and, of course, Santa came to visit!



SMSC