

Castle Primary School

Weekly Bulletin - 14/04/2025



British Science Week

We have had a wonderful time celebrating British Science week. The children have been immersed in rich learning opportunities, and they have learnt the following:

N/R: The children have been learning about caterpillars and the changes they go through as they turn into a butterfly. They have listened to the story of the Hungry Caterpillar and made rainbow paper chain caterpillars. They have also been growing peas and beans in the classroom and looking for changes.

Year 1/2: We learnt about how worms make great soil - which is so important in nature. We investigated how worms change dead leaves and waste materials into soil.

Year 3/4: We had a great time investigating what changes the way ice melts. We tested how fast it would melt with salt, sugar and water or heated with our hands. Heat had the fastest results, while we noticed the salt melted the ice slightly faster than the sugar. Some children created their own super-melter by combining the variables. We then learnt about how the ice around the world is melting due to changing temperatures and the climate.

Year 5/6: Year 5 and 6 investigated acids and alkalis. By adding Red Cabbage Indicator to everyday substances, like hand wash, lemon juice, vinegar and washing-up liquid, they were able to decide where they were on the PH scale. The substances changed colour, either showing an acidic or alkali substance. Lots of fun was had, not only watching the colours develop, but also finally mixing the substances together to cause other chemical reactions - we were very foamy by the end!

The children had such a wonderful time and learnt a lot about change and adaptation! Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us for our in class learning on Wednesday morning! The children loved sharing their learning with you all.

Year 6 Updates:

Leavers Hoodies order form has been emailed to year 6 parents. If you have not received the email, please contact Mrs Walker in the office to email you the link. We have sample sizes of the hoodies in the school office should you want to nip in and try the sizes on your child before ordering.

Year 5 & 6 are excited to be going on a trip to Clonter Opera on Tuesday. Please remember to complete the permission form sent and also return the photographic parental consent form.

Pupil Leadership Team

The children are continuing to have a positive impact in school and are a delight to work with. They had been tasked with considering, alongside their classmates, what values are important to us here at Castle. Together, they have created a 'long list'.

The next thing that they would like to do is involve the wider community. They would like to get the views of our governing body and our parents, so watch this space as they are keen to hear from you!

Bikeability

This week, all of our Year 6 pupils took part in Bikeability. Bikeability is the Department for Transport's flagship national cycle training programme for schoolchildren in England, and it teaches children the essential skills that enable them to cycle on the road. The course was a roaring success, with all of those who took part passing with flying colours!

Well done Year 6!



THE SHADED AREAS INDICATE WHEN YOUR CHILD SHOULD BE IN SCHOOL

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SCHOOL WILL TEXT PARENTS IF IT CLOSES FOR ANY REASON SO PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU KEEP US UP TO DATE WITH MOBILE NUMBERS