Castle Primary School
Weekly Bulletin – 23/10/26

Happy Half Term

As we come to the end of another busy and successful half term, we are incredibly proud of all that our children have achieved.

Pupils have enjoyed a wealth of enriching experiences, including visits from the Severn Trent team and the Stay Well team, helping to broaden their understanding of the world around them. Children have also taken part in swimming lessons and enjoyed a range of educational visits, including a wonderful trip to Clonter Opera and an exciting visit to Biddulph Fire Station. These opportunities have helped to inspire curiosity, develop new skills and create lasting memories.

A special mention must go to our EYFS children, who have been absolute super stars. They have settled into school life exceptionally well, embracing new routines, forming friendships and approaching each day with enthusiasm and confidence. We are so proud of their achievements and the fantastic start they have made to their learning journey.
Thank you to our families for your continued support. We wish everyone a restful and enjoyable half-term break and look forward to welcoming the children back for another exciting term.

Times Tables Rockstar Day
Wednesday 4th November

Once again, we will be having a Times Tables Rock Stars day in school. This will take place on Wednesday 4th November, and all children are invited to come to school dressed as a rock star! Teachers will be setting class battles on TTRS where the children can compete and increase their rock status.

Cross Country

Over the course of this half term, some of our Key Stage 2 pupils have shown incredible commitment to the cross-country events that have taken place across our local schools; a particular highlight was hosting the event here at Castle! All the children did exceptionally well, but our girls' team came third out of all the schools that took part! Just brilliant! Thank you to all who showed such great commitment and attended all the events.



Diary Dates

Monday 2nd November – School re-opens to staff and children

Wednesday 4th November – TTRS Day – Dress like a ROCKSTAR: Nursery – Year 6

Friday 6th November: Remembrance Assembly led by Year 5/6. Parents invited to attend

Monday 9th November - Nursery Rhyme Stay and Play (Nursery & Reception Parents are invited to attend from 9am)

Friday 13th November – Children in Need – own clothes day & coffee morning



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PROJECTS THAT IGNITE EVERYONE

SUPPORTING FAMILIES BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

UNDERSTANDING YOUR TEENS

A FACE TO FACE 6 WEEK COURSE

Because parenting a teenager can feel like a roller coaster...

...BUT YOU'RE NOT ALONE!

MOOD SWINGS · ATTITUDE · ARGUMENTS · SCHOOL PRESSURE · FRIENDS · WITHDRAWING · FUTURE WORRIES



LET'S FIND A SMOOTHER RIDE TOGETHER

- ☑ Constant arguments?
- ☑ Mood swings?
- ☑ Withdrawing or staying in their room?
- ☑ Worries about school, friends or the future?
- ☑ Not knowing how to help?
- ☑ Feeling like nothing you say works?

THIS 6 WEEK COURSE WILL HELP YOU:

- Understand your teen better
- Improve communication and reduce conflict
- Build a stronger, more positive relationship
- Learn practical tools to support behaviour and emotions
- Feel more confident as a parent
- Explore what motivates your teen and helps them thrive

STARTS
TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2026
6:00PM – 7:00PM

NEWCASTLE FAMILY HUB
Cemetery Rd
ST5 6DH

6 WEEK COURSE

♡ BELIEVE ♡ UNDERSTAND ♡ CONNECT ♡ THRIVE

Author Experience & Nervous System Regulation Workshop



Thursday 29th October,
12-1pm

Free wellness & literary session for parents & children:

› Interactive games
› Fun guides for regulation,
› Calming, creative activites.

Chance to buy a signed copy of "Ephemeral Power" by Rachel Munro!



Newcastle-under-Lyme Family Hub, Cemetery Road, ST5 6DJ

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- Fun activities & new skills
- Healthy meals & snacks
- Make new friends
- Build confidence & self-esteem

PLACES ARE LIMITED – BOOK TODAY!

STAFFORDSHIRE HAF DATES
28th October
29th October
10AM TO 2PM

Ages 8-16 years

★ HAF FUNDING MEANS FREE places for eligible children!

BOOK ONLINE: www.eequ.org

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October half term

S.E.N.D. FAMILY FUN

£1 per child

under 3s GO FREE

Inflatables | Mobile Play | Games and activities

Fenton Manor Sports Complex

Monday 26 October
9:30–11:30am or 12–2pm

Friday 30 October
9:30–11:30am
12–2pm – Dedicated session for children and young people with complex needs

Book your place

Scan the QR code or search for "Family Play Oct Half Term" on eequ.org

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