

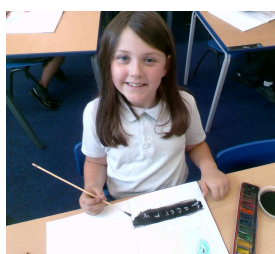
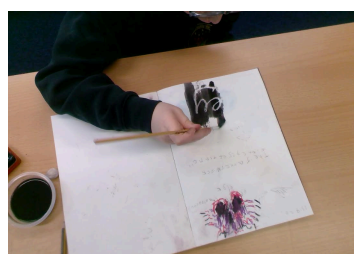
Friday Newsletter – 18th September 2026

What a wonderfully whirlwind five days here at Castle View Primary Academy!

We kicked off the week on Monday with our Primary Futures visit, giving our children a brilliant glimpse into potential careers and inspiring some big dreams for their own futures. The momentum only grew from there, and by Thursday, Year 5 and Year 6 were treated to an unforgettable workshop with the incredibly talented poet and rapper, Testament, who had everyone hooked with his rhythm, rhymes, and creative spark.

To top off a fantastic week, our Castle View Apple Festival brought a wonderfully festive buzz to the entire school. A heartfelt thank you to all our parents and carers who so generously donated for our apple pies and fruit kebabs.

It has been energetic, creative, and brimming with smiles from start to finish. But as always, we like busy at Castle View—it's just what we do!



Paint-stakingly Magical Results!

We are MAGIC! In year 3 and 4 we have been looking at how different materials react with each other, including which ones are resistant to others. This week we looked at how wax or oil pastels are resistant to watery paint! We wrote our names in white oil pastel and then went over it with water colours, look at how cool this is!

Drawing on Inspiration & Point Made!



We have had a wonderful week exploring our inner artists! Drawing inspiration from the famous woodcut print *The Rhinoceros* by German printmaker Albrecht Dürer, the children have been investigating line making. They experimented with a huge variety of line styles and varied their orientation to create texture and depth in their work.

Alongside their line studies, the children have been getting hands-on with different pencil grades - exploring how changing hardness and blackness creates light, dark, and detailed effects. They were fascinated to discover how much variation a simple pencil can offer!

Certificate Winners

Good Work

Lana, Esme, Modather

Behaviour for Learning

Zalanda, Tallulah, Lily-Mae

Oracy

Nala, Harry, Tyler

3Rs

Millie, Blossom, Alfie,
Aaliyah

Celebration assembly

Thank you to those parents who attended our first revamped celebration assembly. Each week, parents of certificate winners are invited to attend our Celebration Assembly on **Fridays at 10:00 AM**.



Appealing Careers & A Slice of Success!

Year 5- 6 enjoyed learning about different jobs from three different visitors through the Primary Futures programme. The programme endeavours to inspire children to learn about varying careers and to think about how their learning at school will help them to achieve well in the future.

The children have been busily baking individual apple pies using our organic Castle View apples. They have shown excellent skills in peeling, chopping apples as well as learning how to create shortcrust pastry.



Goldcrest Class & Apple Day Updates

The children in Goldcrest Class have been reading *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. They enjoyed a sensory bear hunt, exploring different textures with their feet, creating story maps and role-playing the story with small world characters. They also developed their counting skills by counting the correct number of bears into their caves.

For Castle View's Apple Day, the children got busy as they peeled, chopped and mixed apples to create delicious apple and cinnamon muffins. They had lots of fun taking part in the baking process and enjoyed tasting their delicious creations!



IMPORTANT NOTICES

Parent Governor Vacancy: A position is available. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

If you receive Universal Credit and your child is not getting free school meals, apply by filling in the following form -

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals/>

Dates to remember for the rest of the half term

- Coffee afternoon for Reception parents - with Sammie Webster - Wednesday 23rd Sept - 2:15pm
- SEND Drop in with SENDCo - Tuesday 29th September - 2pm - 3pm
- Coffee afternoon for Reception parents - with Sammie Webster - Wednesday 30th Sept - 2:15pm
- Thursday 22nd October - School closes for half term

Best wishes

H. Rose
Headteacher