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## Friday Newsletter – 23th May 2025

We're at the end of another half term! It's been a short one but certainly a busy one! Our Year 6 pupils have completed their SATs and whatever their results, we are certainly very proud of them all. We've enjoyed some beautiful weather and across our school, the children have enjoyed some wonderful learning experiences.

## Good Vibes & Great Sports: What's Happening in Years 5 & 6!

Year 5 enjoyed making their 'positivity glasses' as part of their bounce forward sessions for PSHE. They thought about what they were grateful for and can wear their glasses to reflect on the good things when times feel tough.

Year 5-6 have enjoyed some sporting sessions with Coach Max and have been working on their throwing, catching, jumping and sprinting as part of athletics.



## Superstars Certificates for outstanding work



The following children have all worked their socks off in class and have beenawarded a certificate for their great attitude to learning:Miss Spencer – Jaxson and AlbieMrs Hamer – Sani and MichellMrs Walker – Blanka and NeveahMrs Robinson – Michalina and George

## Fantastic Behaviour Awards

Reception – Vinny Year 1/2 – Kir Year 3/4 – Karson Year 5/6 – Oscar



#### Mrs Walker's scientists

The children have been finding out how to keep their body healthy. They have been looking at different food types, how to keep their body clean (including how to brush their teeth properly) and the importance of exercise and sleep. In these photos some children are demonstrating different ways that they could exercise while at school in order to keep healthy.



#### From Compost Chefs to Superheroes: A Week of Discovery Across the School!

It's been a fun and busy week in Reception! The children continued learning about growth and healthy eating by sorting foods and creating their own healthy lunches. A highlight was tasting and describing different fruits and vegetables, then sorting them by where they grow—on the ground, underground, on trees, or on vines.

After reading *Yucky Worms*, the class went on a worm hunt and followed step-by-step instructions to make their own compost bottle. They learned fascinating facts about worms and discovered that these little creatures are nature's compost chefs!

To finish the week, the children had a great time building water slides to race cars and dressing up as princesses and superheroes in the outdoor area.



## Thank you!

Thank you so much for joining us for our class assembly this week. We are all very proud of how well the children performed and how fantastic their presentation voices were. The children are already asking to do it all over again! It was wonderful to see so many of you there. We hope that you all learned something new and fun too.



**Regular Readers** The following children have read at home 7 times (or even more!) and we are so proud of them that we want to share their names with you!

Mrs Walker - Alex, Dante, Aram, Darcie Maks

Mrs Hamer – Tyler, Ruby S, Michelle, Michael, Lilt B, Emily

**Mrs Robinson** - Bella, Thaaranika, Amaan, Hannah, Hollie, Sarah, Harris, Magnus, McKenzie, sam, Daniel Well done children. As the children will tell you, <u>reading is a super power!</u>

#### **Attendance**

Coming to school every day makes a real difference to your child's learning journey. Even a few missed days can add up, meaning valuable learning time is lost. For instance, just one day off a week is nearly six weeks of learning missed across the school year! We understand that children can sometimes feel a little under the weather, but unless they are genuinely unwell and unable to focus, being in school with their classmates ensures they don't miss out on important lessons and activities. Let's work together to make the most of every learning opportunity.



The winners of the best attendance prize this week are the children in the Reception class. Brilliant job!



We've been enjoying some of the hottest days of the year so far. Just a friendly reminder to send your children to school prepared for the sunshine! Please ensure they have sun lotion applied, a sunhat, and a full water bottle to stay safe and hydrated throughout the day.



We are celebrating all the fantastic things happening at Castle View and keeping you even more closely connected to your child's learning journey through X (formerly Twitter). You will be able to find us on X using the handle, @CastleViewAcad

#### Community Heroes!



We're excited to share that two of our youngest pupils at Castle View, Alex and Riley, are taking on a fantastic May Half Term Challenge to help St. John's Hospice!

They've committed to doing a different activity every day to raise money for the Hospice. Their challenge includes a yummy Cake & Cookie Bake Sale, washing cars, tidying their bedrooms (which we're sure their parents will appreciate!), and going for a 3km walk on Morecambe Prom. They're aiming to raise £100, which is amazing because that pays for 4 hours of hospice nursing care!

If you'd like to support the boys and help them reach their goal, please feel free to pop into school. Every little bit helps, "from a pound to a penny" – anything you can give will go to this brilliant charity.

#### Dates to look out for next half term:

- End of half term school closes Friday 23rd May
- Half term holiday week commencing 26/5/25
- Monday 2nd June School Reopens for Summer 2
- Monday 9th June Phonics Screening Check
- Week beginning 16/6/25 NFER tests for Y1, 3, 4, 5
- Tuesday 17th June Sports Day
- Wednesday 25th June Summer Fair details to follow
- Monday 14th July School reports
- Thursday 17th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly and Awards

All that remains is to thank each and every one of you for your support over this term. We wish you a relaxing half term and a safe return to school on Monday 2nd June.

Best wishes

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