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Friday Newsletter – 4th July 2025

What a fantastic week we've had at Castle View! We celebrated our wonderful Year 6 pupils with a special leavers' meal at Pizza Margherita as they approach the end of their time with us. You may have also noticed our brand new playground markings; the children absolutely love them, and I think you'll agree they truly bring the playground to life. It has been a busy week across the school, with pupils taking part in lots of enriching curriculum activities, which you can read all about in this week's newsletter.

Happy Retirement Mrs Walker!

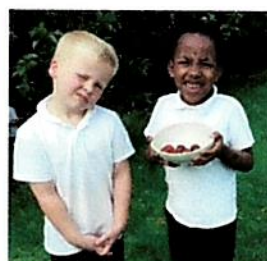
It is with great sadness that we announce the retirement of our much-loved Year 1/2 teacher, Mrs Walker, at the end of this school year. Mrs Walker has been a dedicated and valued member of the Castle View community for many years, and a great deal of our children have been taught by her. She will be remembered fondly and missed enormously by all the children and staff. I know you will all join me in wishing her the very best of luck and a long and happy retirement.

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome Miss Mills to our teaching staff in September, who some of you will remember.

Transport, Trees, and Tasty Treats!

This week in Reception Class, we have been reading, 'Mrs Armitage on Wheels' by Quentin Blake. The children thoroughly enjoyed the story and were inspired to design their own imaginative modes of transport—including bicycles, skateboards, scooters, and roller skates! To deepen their understanding, the children also explored images of different types of transport from the past and present.

The highlight of our week was going on a summer walk around the school grounds. The children compared how the trees and plants have changed since their winter and spring walks. They were excited to observe the differences and particularly thrilled to discover that the cherries, raspberries, blackcurrants, redcurrants, and plums on our fruit trees and bushes were finally ripe and ready to eat!



Superstars Certificates for outstanding work



The following children have all worked their socks off in class and have been awarded a certificate for their great attitude to learning:

Miss Spencer – Justin and Albie
Mrs Walker – Skye and Maks

Mrs Hamer – Rosie and Klay
Mrs Robinson – Lewis and Travis

Fantastic Behaviour Awards

Reception – Penny
Year 1/2 – Esme

Year 3/4 – Nelly
Year 5/6 – Rory



Y5-6 Get to Grips with Handball

Y5-6 have enjoyed learning how to play handball as part of their PE lessons. We have seen some impressive skills and cooperation.



A Recipe for Success!

This week the children in Year 2 have been working hard on writing instructions. They have been using time words, adjectives, adverbs and bossy verbs. Yesterday the children were given the task of writing instructions on how to make a jam sandwich. Then they had to follow their own instructions to make the sandwich. They certainly enjoyed the eating part!!!



Making Music - Year 3 & 4

We love our Thursday afternoons as it is our music making and singing time. This half term we have been appraising and performing another Beatles classic - 'Blackbird'. Not only have we been singing this but we have also accompanied it with glockenspiels. It has been lots of fun - our singing brings us lots of joy.



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 – Dante, Alex,

Mrs Hamer – Tyler, Michelle, Michael, Lily B, Lily-Mae, Haiden

Mrs Robinson - Thaanika, Amaan, Hollie, Sarah, Harris, Magnus, James, Bella,
Well done children. As the children will tell you, reading is a super power!

Attendance

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

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.

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Year 6 Leavers' Meal - Pizza Margherita

On Thursday this week, our wonderful Year 6 pupils went to Pizza Margherita to enjoy their leavers' meal. They had a fantastic time, enjoying some pizza and ice-cream and sharing their favourite moments from their time at Castle View.



We have an exciting opportunity for two parents to join our governing body as **Parent Governors**. This is a fantastic chance to play a vital role in **shaping the future of Castle View**, contributing to key decisions and strategic planning that directly impact our school community. If you're passionate about making a difference and would like to learn more about this rewarding role, please don't hesitate to **speak to Mr. Rose** for further information.

Dates to look out for this half term:

- Y5/6 - Slave Trail Walk in Lancaster - Monday 7th July
- Y1/2 - Trip to Morecambe - Tuesday 8th July
- Y3/4 - Walk to Williamson Park Tuesday 8th July
- Year 5/6 Residential Trip - 9th-11th July 2025
- Reception visit to Lancaster Cathedral - Monday 14th July
- Reception visit to the Butterfly House - Tuesday 15th July
- School reports - Monday 14th July
- Year 1/2 - Writing Reward Trip - Tuesday 15th July
- Thursday 17th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly and Awards

Best wishes

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