

## Friday Newsletter – 11th July 2025

As we find ourselves in the penultimate week of the school year, it's hard not to ask: where has the time gone?

This week has been all about trips, trips, and more trips! It's been a fantastic showcase of the dedication and hard work of our staff, who go above and beyond to ensure our children receive the very best education and experiences. We saw Year 1/2 head to the beach, Year 3/4 explore the wonders of Williamson Park, and Year 5/6 have an amazing time on their residential!

The excitement doesn't stop there, as next week our Reception children will be heading to the Cathedral and the Butterfly House. It is truly an exciting and enriching end to a wonderful year.

### Oh, We Do Like to Be Beside the Seaside!

The children in Year 1&2 had an amazing trip this week to Morecambe beach. They absolutely loved playing on the sand, going on a train and Mrs Gordan even treated them to an ice-cream! There were some very tired children when we got back to school. A great day out!!!!



### 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 – Nala and Vinny  
Mrs Walker – Scarlett and Dante

Mrs Hamer – Tapfuma and Lucas

### All the Fun of the Fair!

Year 5-6 have finished their amazing moving carousels. They have learnt how to make circuits and switches to control a pulley and motor mechanism that helps the carousel rotate. We are so pleased with the high quality finished products that show excellent design skills.





## Fantastic Behaviour Awards

Reception – Ivy  
Year 1/2 – Riley P

Year 3/4 – Fahad



### Butterflies, Beans, and Big Discoveries

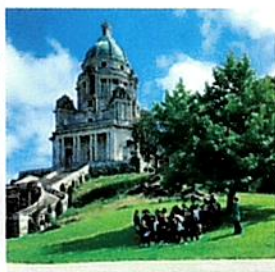
This week in Reception, the children continued their learning about growth and change, focusing on plants and insects. After welcoming our caterpillars into the classroom five weeks ago and caring for them with great dedication, they were finally ready to leave us as beautiful butterflies. The children thoroughly enjoyed releasing them into our woodland area and watching them flutter away into the distance.

We are so very proud of our Reception children—just like the butterflies, they are also almost ready to spread their wings and flutter up to Year One!

As if the butterfly excitement wasn't enough, we also checked on the broad beans we planted earlier in the term. We were delighted to find pods full of delicious beans, ready to harvest and enjoy. What a wonderful week of learning and discovery!



### A Wonderful Day at Williamson's Park



Year 3/4 had a wonderful time on their trip to Williamson's Park on Tuesday. They were able to name lots of trees and plants. They also found exploding seed pods that they had been researching in their last Science lesson. The class also enjoyed an alphabet scavenger hunt and leaf rubbing for art. After their research, they had lots of fun at the playpark too. It was a great way to consolidate their knowledge of the life cycle of plants.

## 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.



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:

- 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

Best wishes

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