



Castle Life

It's a strange Summer term so far, our preparations for **Sports Day** being ruined by the rain. We will make a decision next week if we will be able to go ahead on 26 June.

We had a review of the whole school yesterday and the 'inspector' was impressed, as are all our visitors by the children's manners, friendliness and positive attitudes.

A reminder it is the Summer Fayre next Friday (donations still requires and any volunteers would be warmly welcomed). I hope as many of our families as possible will support the Friends team to make it a great event for the community and raise funds for new books for the library.

We welcomed Nyla (Yarmouth) and her family to our school this week

NSPCC Assemblies and Fundraising

Today we welcomed Sarah from the NSPCC in to deliver a Speak Out, Stay Safe assembly (some information coming home by child mail today). We met the NSPCC's mascot, Buddy and learnt how to stay safe and where to go if we need to talk to someone about something that may be worrying us. I know you will all agree it is vital all children learn about this important topic.



Linked to these assemblies, a letter is coming home today about our sponsored fundraising for the NSPCC with a 'Hand-Jive-a-thon'. Next week, children will take part in 10 hand-five sessions of 3 minutes. The timings will be a surprise and well done to our School Council who came up with the idea and gave a brilliant display of their 'Reach' routine this morning. As well as being fun, Council reps have discovered that it is surprisingly good exercise too. We hope as many children as possible will take part and will let you know how much is raised after the sponsor money is all collected in by the deadline of Friday 28 June. Thank you in advance for the support.

E-Safety Assembly and E-Cadets



Mr Bartlett and the E-Cadets led an assembly this week about e-safety. This important topic is so relevant to all children and parents. We are all aware of the benefits of the internet but an awareness of the dangers (and the consequences of too much or unmonitored screen or gaming time). If like me, your children are more savvy than you there are some really good websites for parents:

www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers

www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/

Attached are some parent leaflets, we will be sending home more in the coming weeks.

Staff Changes 19/20

Life rarely stands still, so there will be changes in September, but far less than in the past few years, I believe. Miss Dean is moving to Longvernal School at the end of this academic year. We have appointed Mr Bassett, currently teaching in Gloucester from 1 September.

In September, Mrs Whittmann and Mrs Exton will be returning from maternity leave. Miss Lovell, who has held a maternity cover contract, will be leaving us. Miss Silman will be going on maternity leave in September – part of her post will be covered by Mrs Wake going back into class part-time.

Not leaving us, but Miss Hanks will be coming back in September as Mrs Gould - she is getting married in August to her Fiancé Mitch.

Miss North (Teaching Assistant) is leaving in July to go to University to train to be a teacher.

We will be informing the community of the new class names next week, and at the same time, which teachers will be in each class.

Year 6 visit to Queens Road Church

Yesterday, 12 June, Year 6 went to the Methodist Church to watch 'Pilgrim's Progress'. We sat in the seats and watched the play. It was about a boy called Christian going on a journey to remove his burden and go the celestial city. We were very impressed with how the actors projected their voices around the hall and their back drops were on rollers to pull and change scenery. This performance has given us lots of tips and ideas to add to our own production. By Emmy, Chantelle and Fin (Arundel)

Fathers' Event

We will be holding another woodland activity event for children and one of their male guardians (could be a dad, carer, grandad or uncle). Due to the enormous popularity of this event, we will be changing the booking process this year, as we will need to cap the number of attendees. We will also be making a small charge to cover resources and places will need to be booked using our online school money system along with payment. More details will follow in next week's newsletter, so please watch this space!

School Fayre Donations

Our Kendal Nursery Team would be very grateful for any contributions of 'Bric a Brac', children's toys, books and games, in good condition and complete please. These can be given to Kendal, thank you.

Allergies

We have children in school with lots of different allergies, but we have a number of children with severe nut allergies (including anaphylaxis), so we ask parents not to provide any type of nut for snacks or lunch boxes. Many thanks.

Dog Blog

After moaning about the hot weather last week, we're now complaining about the cold! We don't like the rain very much but Mrs Marriott insists we go and get fresh air at least twice a day. She clearly thinks we like looking like drowned rats!

We have had visits from Helen (Monmouth), Tre and Finley (Carle), Tianna and Louis (Dover) and Georgia (Arundel) this week. Finley told us all about his fantastic trip to Weston Super Mare on Tuesday. It sounds as though, despite the weather, everyone had a good time. Ronnie (Windsor) took us for a walk on Tuesday where we visited the field near the new build as the grass had been cut. It smells amazing over there! We really didn't want to come inside.



On Wednesday we had a walk with Maisie (Edinburgh) and Amelia (Yarmouth); it stopped raining long enough for us to enjoy a run on the field.

Thursday was super-busy; we had lots of children visit us to show us their amazing writing. Jenson (Edinburgh), Koby (Monmouth) and Archie (Arundel) had all worked incredibly hard during the morning and we loved hearing what they had written.

At lunchtime, Summer and Lola (Arundel) and Lylah and Maisie A (Edinburgh) took us for a walk. We decided today would be a good day to run off in two different directions. We like to keep everyone on their toes! We're having a quiet day at home tomorrow after all that reading we've been doing, ready for some fun squirrel chasing during our weekend walks.

See you on Tuesday!



Bobbi and Benji

Celebrating Achievements

Well done to Ellie (Yarmouth) who was Gymnast of the Day and earned herself a certificate.

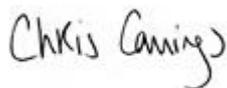
Teacher Changes

Date	Class	Replacement Teacher
Tuesday 18 June 2019	Monmouth	Mrs Nicholls
Wednesday 19 June 2019	Dover	Mrs Haines

Dates

Day	Date	Time	Event	Year Groups
Wednesday	19 June	2.45 pm	Monmouth and Blaise Assembly	Y2
Friday	21 June	3.15-5.30 pm	School Fayre	
Wednesday	26 June	9.30-11.30 am	Sports Day (Reserve dates 27 June-2 July)	Kendal, Year R, 1 and 2
		1.00-3.00 pm		Year 3 to 6
Monday	1 July	2.40 pm	Rosen Class Assembly	Rosen and Carle Year R
Thursday	4 July	All Day	Year 6 Induction Days for Wellsway, Broadlands and Chew Valley	Year 6
Friday	5 July	1.15-3.15 pm	Swimming Gala	Y5 and Y6
Monday	8 July	2.40 pm	Carle Class Assembly	Carle Year 1
Wednesday	10 July	6.00 pm	Year 6 End of Year Production	Y6
Wednesday- Friday	17-19 July		Class Moving Up Days	All
Wednesday	17 July	TBC	Parent Open Classroom Event	All
Monday- Tuesday	22-23 July		Pupils stay in new classrooms, but with their current teachers	All
Tuesday	23 July	9.00 am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly	All
Tuesday	23 July	3.05 pm	End of Term 6 and End of 2018/2019 Academic Year	All

Yours sincerely



Headteacher