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Dear parents,

Competition by National Express Coach Company

Competition: Children aged 5-15 are being asked to design a poster promoting their home town, and the winners will see their design splashed all over the side of a National Express Coach!

Colour the Coach is an annual competition run by National Express. Children can enter by designing a summer-themed poster on an A4 sheet of paper promoting their home town / city to encourage people to visit some of the amazing locations on National Express's coach network. The competition is open now and the deadline is midnight on 25th June 2018.

The shortlisted entries for each UK region will then be open to an online public vote. Six winners' designs will be created into a giant poster splashed across the side of a National Express coach. Where possible, vehicles will be chosen that run on a service linked to the winning location which will then be seen by thousands of passengers and the general public as they travel on the UK's roads.

Further details on how to enter and submit your entries can be found at the following website:

<https://www.nationalexpress.com/en/colour-the-coach>

Staffing Update

Congratulations to Mrs Shaw who will become a Headteacher in September for a school in Lancashire. This is a well deserved promotion and we will miss her expertise at Castle Hill.

Congratulations to Mrs Gough who is expecting her first child and will start her maternity leave in the Autumn term.

Congratulations to Mrs Laycock who will take over the post of Acting Deputy Headteacher in September.

Congratulations to Mrs Cook who will become KS1 leader in September.

Congratulations to Mr Hobbs who will be KS2 leader in September.

We will also be welcoming Mrs Gray and Miss Smith back from Maternity leave in the Autumn term.

'Little and Loud' singing group, Calderdale Music Trust

William Marshall, Calderdale Music Trust's Singing Leader has emailed school to make us aware of a singing opportunity that they have available for the young singers within Calderdale. The Little & Loud Youth Choir will be starting in September with auditions being held on the 5th July at the Heath Campus, Halifax.

Basic Details:

Youth Choir Age 6-11

Rehearsal Length: 1 hour

Location: Calderdale Music Trust, Heath Campus

Start Date: 13th September 2018, 5-6pm
(and then continuously each Thursday)

Term time only - extra rehearsals may be arranged nearer events.

Little & Loud Overview:

* The Little & Loud is a vocal group that provides children the opportunity to explore, share and appreciate their talent for singing.

* Little & Loud will create one big 'musical family' that will be encouraged to support each other along their musical journey.

* Little & Loud will be working alongside the older youth choir 'Unity'. Unity members will be acting as inspiration for the younger vocal group and will join in for selected performances throughout the year.

* All songs will be carefully selected to provide a message to both the members and the audience so that the choir can portray positivity and meaning in everything that is performed.

* An array of performances will be arranged throughout the year to showcase the talent of the Little & Loud members.

For further details, please visit the following website:

<https://www.calderdalemusictrust.org.uk/young-people/youth-choir-6-11-little-loud>

Celebration Assemblies

Date	Class
Wed 13 th Jun 2018	3/4H
Wed 27 th Jun 2018	Year 4 violins
Wed 11 th Jul 2018	1/2S and 2L
Thur 19 th Jul 2018	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Attendance

The best attending classes the week before half term were:

In KS1: 1C & 1/2S - 99.2%

In KS2: 5/6G 99.3%

Gardening Club update

As you will have seen in my monthly newsletter, on Thursday before half-term, I accompanied Shura and some of the children from our gardening club to do some planting at Fielden Wharf, next to the Golden Lion.

I am pleased to confirm that the BBC will be visiting Castle Hill later this month to film our very own garden! Permission letters have been sent out to children in our gardening club.

Todmorden Primary Art Exhibition

In the Autumn term, our Year 6 pupils took part in the annual art project co-ordinated by Todmorden High School. This Thursday saw the opening of the event and the exhibition will be on until the end of this month on Thursday to Sunday inclusively 11 - 4pm (the gallery is not open to the public Mon - Weds). I hope that students and parents from across the school will be able to pop in and see the beautiful work the children produced. ©

Dates for this term:

Thurs 14 th - Fri 15 th June Year 5 Residential to Hebden Hey
Wednesday 20th June Class Photos
Thursday 28th June Sports Day (TBC)
Wednesday 4th July 6.00pm Castle Hill's Got Talent - Todmorden Hippodrome
Thursday 5th July 2018 Rounders (Yr 5/6) Todmorden Cricket Club
Friday 6th July 2018 Year 6 Transition day to High School
Thursday 12th July 3.45pm - 5.00pm Parents' Drop in
Friday 13th July Year 3 Trip to Crocky Trail
Friday 19th July 2.00pm Year 6 Leavers' assembly Friday
20th July 2018 School closes for Summer Holidays

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You can find us @Castlehill100
Mrs. Janet Leggett, Headteacher

