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Monday, 3rd November 2025

Dear Families,

I hope you have enjoyed the half term break and are ready and raring for that all-important routine to restart tomorrow. I'm writing today with some updates for the coming half term.

Key Stage 2 – Virtual Reality Day

This coming Friday, children in Years 3 -6 will be stepping beyond the classroom and into whole new worlds. From exploring ancient civilizations to diving deep beneath the ocean, our children are discovering how learning feels when it's right in front of their eyes. It's hands-on, minds-on, and absolutely unforgettable. Making memories as standard once again at Castleway!

Forest School Timetable

This week's Forest School timetable is below. As it's a shorter week for the children, there may be some changes to what they would usually be expecting.

Monday 3 rd	Tuesday 4 th	Wednesday 5 th	Thursday 6 th	Friday 7 th
	4C	1P 3E	2W F2	4J

Our regular Forest School Timetable is back in play from next week and is below for your records:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
F1 3E	4C 5S (fortnightly)	1P F1	2W F2	2W 4J

Where there are unexpected and unavoidable changes to the timetable, we'll always do our best to make sure we let you know in good time.

PE Timetable

Please see the PE timetable for this coming half term below. Please remember that **it is our expectation that all children in Years 1 – 6 wear their Castleway Kit** on the agreed PE days.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4C	3E	2W 6K	1P 4J	F2 5S

Please note that due to our shorter week and the Virtual Reality Day for Key Stage 2 on Friday, 'Fit Fridays' with Mr. Davies will **start on Friday 14th November**. The weather for Friday isn't looking particularly favourable for outdoor PE this week but, as always, we'll remain hopeful!

Playground Improvements - Reminder

Mr. Banks has been busy over the half term working through his list of jobs this half term. The weather had other plans so some areas are not quite finished yet. I would like to remind you that **children should not play in these areas during drop off and pick up times**. Please ensure that you are supervising your children and that they do not play in these areas. Unsupervised play can lead to damage in these new spaces that we're working hard to finish. Thank you.

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Learning Plans

If your child is on our SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disability) register, you'll receive a copy of your child's Learning Plan this week. The updated plans will be **sent home to you by Friday (7th November) of this week**. This will give you chance to read the plan and then discuss any specific targets or questions that you may have at a Parents' Evening next week. We're introducing this additional layer of communication to ensure that families of those children who are receiving additional support are fully informed of what we're working on in school and are fully aware of how you can provide additional support at home as appropriate.

Parents' Evenings

Speaking of Parents' Evenings, please remember that they're scheduled to take place next week with all bookings via School Spider. Please remember that these are short sessions with the intention of touching base and celebrating progress. If you feel that you may need a longer appointment, please contact us to arrange. **As much as we love talking about your children's achievements, it's not fair on the parents after you if your appointment overruns.**

Teachers will have your child's Maths and English books out ready for you to look at before or after your appointment. Please remember that we share our other books at our 'Curriculum Celebration Afternoon' events at the end of each term. This is to allow you the chance to look in details at English and Maths books this time and then celebrate the learning in other subjects at the end of each term.

If you're having any problems booking, please let us know and we'll be more than happy to help.

- **Wednesday 12th November – 3:30pm – 6:30pm**
- **Thursday 13th November – 3:30pm – 6:30pm**

Adult Only Coffee Evenings

You asked, and we listened! Please remember that we've already shared the dates for our Castleway Coffee Evenings for the rest of the academic year. These relaxed, child-free sessions are a great chance to enjoy a coffee, have a chat, and catch up with other members of our school community. We look forward to seeing you there for a friendly Castleway catch-up soon. **Our first Coffee Evening of the year takes place this coming Thursday in The Turret!** Dates for the rest of the year are: Thursday 6th November, Wednesday 7th January, Wednesday 25th February, Wednesday 15th April & Wednesday 3rd June

Dates for Your Diary

I've shared the list of 'dates for your diary' as they stand at the moment on the last page of this update but there will be some festive additions shared very soon!

Well, I think that's everything! I'm looking forward to Castleway springing back to life again tomorrow ready for all of the fun and memory making that Autumn 2 always offers us at Castleway! See you in the morning!

Kind regards,



Mr. S. Mycroft-Armer
Headteacher



Dates for your Diary

- 04/11/25 - Back to School at the usual times
- 06/11/25 - Coffee Evening (Adults Only) - 7:00pm in The Turret
- 07/11/25 - Virtual Reality Day – Key Stage 2 Children
- 12/11/25 - Parents' Evening (3:30pm - 6:30pm) - Booking via School Spider
- 13/11/25 - Parents' Evening (3:30pm - 5:00pm) - Booking via School Spider
- 19/11/25 - Community Bingo Night – 6:30pm
- 20/11/25 - Books at Bedtime - EYFS, Y1, Y2 & Y3 - 5:15pm
- 26/11/25 - Sibling and Individual Photographs - Nursery & Primary School Children
- 27/11/25 - Campfire Stories - Y4, Y5 & Y6 - 5:15pm
- 28/11/25 - F2 Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 01/12/25 - 1P Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 05/12/25 - 5S Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 03/12/25 - 3E Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 04/12/25 - 4J Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 05/12/25 - 4C Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 08/12/25 - 6K Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 09/12/25 - 2W Curriculum Celebration Afternoon - 2:45pm
- 10/12/25 - Y1 & Y2 Nativity - 9:30am & 2:30pm
- 11/12/25 - Y1 - Y6 - Christmas Carols at St. Chad's - 1:00pm for brews and mince pies. 1:30pm start
- 11/12/25 - Christmas Fayre - Straight after Carols at St. Chad's. Children join after school.
- 16/12/25 - EYFS Songs Around the Christmas Tree (Nursery School & F2) - 10:30am or 2:30pm
- 17/12/25 - Christmas Dinner Day
- 17/12/25 - KS2 Christmas Concert - 9:30am or 2:30am
- 18/12/25 - EYFS Winter Fun Day (Nursery School & F2) - Non-uniform Day
- 18/12/25 - Christmas Parties and Winter Disco (during school day) - Y1 - Y6. Uniform as normal, bring party clothes to change in to.
- 19/12/25 - Close for Christmas Break at usual times. No After School Club today.
- 05/01/26 - Return to School at the usual times.
- 07/01/26 - Coffee Evening (Adults Only) - 7:00pm in The Turret
- 25/02/26 - Coffee Evening (Adults Only) - 7:00pm in The Turret
- 08/03/26 - 11/03/26 - Y4/5 Residential
- 15/04/26 - Coffee Evening (Adults Only) - 7:00pm in The Turret
- 14/05/26 - 15/05/26 - Y2 Residential
- 03/06/26 - Coffee Evening (Adults Only) - 7:00pm in The Turret
- 07/07/26 - 08/07/26 - Y6 Residential

