

Castle Newsletter



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Dear Families

Massive thanks to parents who joined our school shop working party meeting on Wednesday. It was really pleasing to have every Key Stage represented. We will definitely be opening in November with a big Christmas push and are looking at holding our bazaar in the shop. We have already started to plan how it will look and what colour the walls will be and will be looking for volunteers to help decorate. The next meeting will be Wednesday 13th October at 10am at the shop in Arbury Court. One key job is the name. If you have any suggestions that are polite please let me know via the office. It is such an exciting opportunity for all our pupils and the wider school community and we may well be the only Cambridge stockists of Harry Specters chocolates!!!

Parents' Evening – 1st November

We are very much looking forward to seeing parents and carers at our Parents' Evening on Monday 1st November. The main focus of the evening will be to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss new and updated targets. Invitations have been sent home, please follow the link contained in your invitation to let us know your preferred appointment time.

Student Flu Immunisations - 12th October

The School's Immunisation Team will be with us on Tuesday to carry out the flu programme with students from Reception Year up to and including

Year 13. Letters have been sent home containing a link to the NHS portal for parents to give or decline their consent. Please be aware the portal closes at midday on Monday 11th October. If you have any questions or queries call the schools immunisation team on 0300 555 5055 option 1.

Running for Castle

One of our Mums is running the Manchester Marathon this Sunday for Castle. Please consider sponsoring her and wish her luck!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/abigail-johnson18>

Ladybirds Class News

This half term Ladybirds have been really excited to go out into the community. We have been learning to play together and take turns and wait.



This week Ladybirds took their map reading skills to Anglesey Abbey to explore different environments and changing seasons. Lots of giggles.

Corfe Class News

Corfe has had a busy week and a very creative one! During our Key Stage 3 creative afternoon we have been doing different activities with our friends from other classes. We have created lots of models with clay and salt dough.



'Shine Green' at King's College 22nd October

Come along to King's College Chapel on Friday 22nd October at 18:30 to see 'shine green' to help raise awareness of Phelan-McDermid Syndrome.

BBC Radio's Jeremy Sallis will be the MC and BBC Look East will be filming a live segment of the 'lights on' as Olivia, one of our students, presses the button to illuminate King's College Chapel green. Jack's Gelato will have a 'Shine Green' ice cream flavour, Brewdog a 'Shine Green' OG beer and Smokeworks are offering 50% off all of their gourmet hot dogs if you mention 'Shine Green' or 'OG'!

Buildings around the world will shine green on 22nd October to raise awareness of Phelan-McDermid, a very rare chromosome deletion.

Assistive technology for children with vision impairment

For children with a vision impairment, technology is vital. It develops learning, creativity, life skills, and ultimately, confidence and independence.

'Guide Dogs' believe children with a vision impairment should have access to technology. They are launching 'Tech for All', offering a free Apple iPad or iPhone to children and young people (aged 3-18) with visual impairments, to use outside of school.

Please follow the link below for more information

<https://www.guidedogs.org.uk/getting-support/help-for-children-and-families/living-independently/assistive-technology-for-children/>

Best wishes

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