



We are at the end of another exciting week at Castle School with much to report. I just hope you have all managed to stay cool this week!

We continue to have groups accessing learning offsite with our DoE Bronze and Silver expeditions.

Ofsted Report

Today we received our Ofsted report from their visit last month, it will be a further 8 days before it will go 'live' on the Ofsted website, but we are able to share it with our school community before then. I want to share the report with staff after the end of the school day today and then I will write to you separately with the final report. Thank you once again to those of you that took the time to completed the parent survey and share your views on our lovely school.

Tintagel Class News

In PHSE Tintagel learnt about how Bees support the environment, we watched a video about bees and how honey is made. In reading we continued with the bee theme, students worked in groups writing sentences about bees. We then did some honeycomb printing.

We also had a choir practice for the Better Together concert.



Duke of Edinburgh Award – Silver Expedition

A group of students from Churchill and Wolfson went to Hartington in Derbyshire for their Silver Expedition.

The weather was fantastic; they cooked excellent food, and nobody burnt anything. The group had some amazing walks in and around Dovedale, Eyam Village known for their stance during the plague, and the Heights of Abraham where several of them

faced their fear of heights by going on the cable cars.



Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze expedition

Written by E.G, a student in Warwick Class

“On the 12th to the 15th of June we went on Duke of Edinburgh. We stayed in a place called Cromer at a campsite called Woodhill Park East Runton. It was fantastic.

During the trip we undertook many challenging and fun activities.

On Monday we got the train to Norwich then to Cromer. We walked to the campsite. We then set up camp and cooked our own dinner on a Trangia. After tea, we chilled for a bit. There was a quiet area and most of us went up there and it was fun. We then went to bed and thought I slept until 6.30 am because it was so bright but it was actually 4.30am.

On Tuesday we went for a long walk which was tiring. We then went in the sea and it was the best day of my life. We had a BBQ for dinner which was cooked by Tanzi then I went to bed and slept until 6.55am.

On Wednesday we made bacon sandwiches for breakfast. We went to the beach and went swimming in the sea and played rounders. I really enjoyed the swim. We then went to the horse sanctuary then had fish and chips for dinner and went to the arcade.

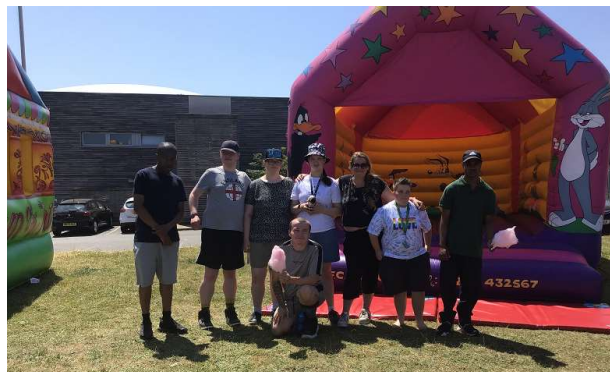
Thursday, we woke up and packed our tents up and caught a train. We are now exhausted, but this was the best trip of my life.”





President's sports day

A sixth form group were lucky to be invited to the President's sports day in Thetford on Thursday. We did a variety of sports, enjoyed popcorn and candy floss and met Frank Bruno and Peter Shilton. We had a fabulous day and our pupils were amazing in all the activities.



Arbury Carnival

Thank you to everyone who volunteer at the Arbury Carnival last Saturday. We managed to raise £206.50.



Better Together Concert

Just a note to let you know that **tickets for the Better Together Concert are now on sale.** If you aren't supporting the children during the performance and would like to come and watch the show, it would be great to see you in the audience (bring your family and friends too!)

You can get tickets here (£3 plus Eventbrite booking fee): <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/better->

[together-inclusion-through-music-tickets-647522044867](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/647522044867)

Please feel free to pass this link on to anyone you think might be interested. We would love to have a packed audience on the night!

[Better Together: Inclusion Through Music](#)

'The Better Together Project' is an inclusive music project designed to bring children together to perform in an inclusive choir.

www.eventbrite.co.uk

Parent Volunteers wanted

On the 30th June we are holding a Diversity Day of celebration. As a school we would like a day to celebrate and educate around all our diverse needs across the school. We are looking for parent helpers to run fun activities linked to different SEND awareness. For example, a fun activity around socks to link with Down syndrome awareness silly socks day. Please contact kdocherty@castle.cambs.sch.uk or let the office know if you would like to get involved.

Transport applications 2023-24

If your child comes to school on school transport you will need to complete the transport application below.

Student moving from Yr. 11 to 6th Form will need to complete the online or Paper application for school transport.

The Post 16 online and paper form are available via our website [Post-16 transport for pupils with special educational needs \(SEND\) - Cambridgeshire County Council](#)

The Pre 16 application form is available online but the paper form is not yet available. [Pre-16 transport \(mainstream\) - Cambridgeshire County Council](#)



Siblings and Young Carers Project

Sense's support service for anyone aged 5-18 who has a sibling or parent with a disability.

- Online group activities
- Wellbeing support
- Peer-to-peer buddying
- In-person meet-ups

<https://www.sense.org.uk/our-services/support-for-children/support-for-young-carers-and-siblings/siblingsandyoungcarers@sense.org.uk>

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Virtual Buddying is a "free" project providing online befriending sessions for disabled people of all ages. Matched volunteers provide individual and group session activities including book clubs, baking, pottery, and music.

Sense Virtual Buddying

virtualbuddying@sense.org.uk

<https://www.sense.org.uk/our-services/meeting-people/virtual-buddying-befriending-service/>

www.sense.org.uk
Charity number 289868

Best wishes

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