

Message from the Headteacher:



As we come to the end of our first half term, I want to say a huge thank you to all our pupils, families and staff for making it such a positive and productive start to the school year. It has been a long half term, but it's certainly flown by as it has been full of exciting learning, new routines, and plenty of creativity and fun across all our pathways.

There's been so much to celebrate, from fantastic learning in classrooms, to the brilliant enrichment opportunities, visits and community events that help bring our curriculum to life. It's been lovely to see pupils growing in confidence, building friendships, and showing such kindness and resilience each day.

Our Thought of the Week this week has been: *"I can make healthy choices."*

This links to our Theme of the Week, Healthy Choices. Both reminding us that being healthy is about more than just food it's about taking care of our minds and bodies, making time to rest, and choosing things that make us feel good and help us to learn our best, as I write this I can hear the



sounds of our pupils enjoying accessing our onsite

Gym- Being healthy is part of what we do!

I hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved, restful and enjoyable October half term break. Thank you for your continued support, teamwork and positivity it really does makes a difference.

We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Tuesday 4th November for what promises to be another busy, purposeful and exciting half term at Castle.

Take care,

Charlotte

Balmoral Class News:

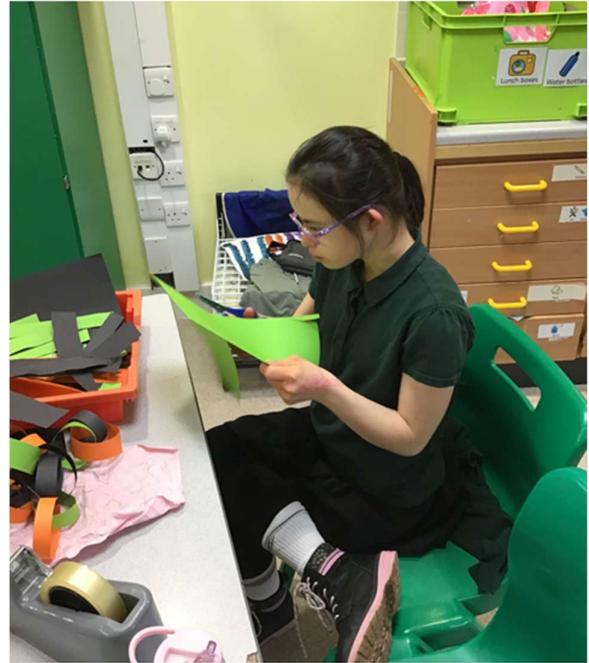
Great week for Balmoral Class!

In PSHE, we have been learning about the benefits of good hygiene, and we even made our own natural deodorant using different essential oils.



After working really hard on our swimming skills this half term, we enjoyed a fun swimming session this week.

Throughout the week, Balmoral has been taking part in various lunchtime clubs, such as Diamond Art, Basketball, Football, and Retro Video Games.



To finish off the week, we decorated our classroom for Halloween—making paper chains, spiders, and other spooky crafts—and had lots of fun dressing up for the Castle Halloween Disco!



On Venus' soil we baked warm gingerbread men cookies ...



Pembroke Class News:

This autumn term our topic is Space. This week Pembroke class have been reading StarSeeker; A Journey Into Outer Space. As we listen to each verse, we used tactile elements to auditory cues to bring the story to life for the pupils.

we drifted through Earth's gravity ...

We hunted with Orion and caught a gold light!



and when night was done, we followed the sun.



Next Steps

We had the pleasure of holding our 'Next Steps' event on Wednesday for parents to find out about post 19 options. We'd like to thank all those who attended. If you have any questions, please contact Clare claidler@castle.cambs.sch.uk who will be able to help you.



🎄 Christmas Bazaar Donations 🎄

It's that time of year again when we start preparing for our annual Christmas Bazaar in December.

To support our preparations, we would be extremely grateful of donations of any of the following:

- Raffle Prizes
- Tombola Prizes
- Teddy Bears
- Books
- Medium Sized Plastic Plant Pots
- Bulbs – hyacinth, amaryllis, cyclamen

To donate – drop item/s off at reception in a bag marked 'For the Christmas Bazaar'.

There will be a box in reception for donations to be placed in.

Many festive thanks!

Milton Country Park

Milton Country Park, Cambridge Road, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6AZ

There's lots to do at Milton Country Park.

Whether you want to get active, get wet or just have a relaxing time, come and see what we can offer you. Find activities here.

Trick or Treat: Craft and Play

Milton Country Park, Cambridge Road, Milton
CB24 6AZ

Sunday 26 Oct, 12noon to 2.30pm

Come and do some crafts and play in the woods this October half-term for children aged 7 and under.

Cost: £3 per walking child



Free Parent/Carer Support Session



Calming Sensory Activities

Led by Lucy Martensz, Occupational Therapist

Wednesday 12th November

10 - 11:30 am

Castle School – Fields Site

Please sign up to register your place on this free course:

<https://forms.office.com/e/rtWepLyxbS>



Evidence For Learning Drop-In Session

Having issues accessing Evidence for Learning?

Need to know how to use a function on Evidence for Learning?

Come along to our EFL drop-in session!

Ethan, our IT expert will be on hand to try to help with your EFL troubleshooting questions.

Tuesday 4th November

10am - 12pm

Castle School - Main Site

No need to register. Just turn up!

