

NEWSLETTER

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE.  
*No one is the same, but everyone is equal.*

# Good Morning!

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first few weeks of the academic year have flown by and now it's half term!

In this edition of the newsletter we are attaching some up and coming dates for your reference. More will come through as we move through the year and we have popped these on a separate sheet so that it can be printed and displayed for your easy reference.

Over the half term break the clocks go back (Sunday 29th October). This means that it will be darker earlier as we move into Winter. Could we ask that parents who allow their children to walk home unaccompanied, consider this and if there are any changes to end of day arrangements then they let the school know.

Finally can we wish you all a restful half term break and we will see you all on Tuesday 31st October.

With all best wishes,

Mrs S Wilson, CEO, and Mrs Warburton, Interim Head of School



# Diary Dates

31st October

Children back to school

1st November

Year 1 Learning Workshop at 2.30pm

3rd November

Social Media Parent Workshop with MHST (Mental Health Support Team)

7th November

EYFS Open Events for prospective Reception children joining in September 2024  
9.30am and 3.30pm

10th November

Y6 Remembrance Walk into Gainsborough

13th November

Wear Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying week

17th November

Children in Need Day

30th November

PTA Christmas Fair

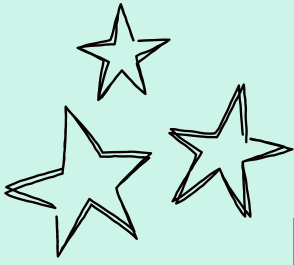
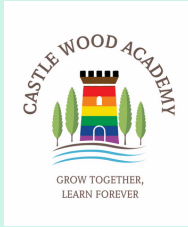
7th December

Christmas Jumper Day

20th December

Castle Wood Christmas Day: Breakfast with Santa, Christmas dinner, parties and much more!

*Everyone is welcome here*



## Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thanks to all family members who joined us for this very worthy cause.

As a result of all the cakes eaten, the school raised an incredible £141.80



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# EYFS - New Recruits



Look what our new recruits have been up to.....

Our children in Reception class continue to settle right in to life in school with Miss Stimson



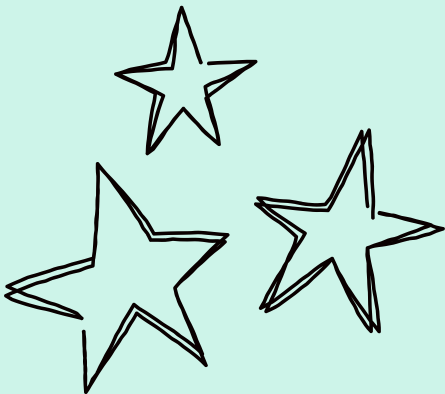
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## Consents

Could we please ask that if parents and carers have not updated their consents on Arbor for this academic year that they do so as soon as possible. This is your way of giving us permission to take photos of your child, take the children off-site for swimming or a walk, amongst other things.

Thankyou.



## Attendance

Improving attendance and reducing persistent absence is still a major focus nationally and at our school. Currently our attendance is 96.5% which is slightly above the national picture so thank you. Let's keep working on getting it even higher.

The percentage of pupils who are classed as persistently absent (missing 10% or more of the total number of days this term) is nearly 14%. That means that 38 children have attendance less than 90%. New guidance from the Department for Education has stated that children who have symptoms such as a headache, a cough, a sore throat and a cold can still come in to school. Our office team will always encourage attendance in these circumstances. Of course if the children become worse throughout the day we can keep parents and carers informed, although quite often the distraction of their friends and learning keeps them going.

*Grow Together, Learn Forever*



## CWA Governors

The governing body at CWA is made up of representatives of staff, the community and parents.

They attend meetings, attend school to look at policy and practice as well as helping with events and staff interviews. Their job is to support, question, check and challenge the school to ensure that it is providing a good quality of education for the children.

Here are the details of who is part of the CWA LGB

If you want to find out what their background is and the knowledge and skills they bring to the school please check their personal statements on the Trust's website:

[www.talloaksacademy.co.uk](http://www.talloaksacademy.co.uk)

### CWA - Local Governing Body

Vic Warburton - Interim Headteacher

Holly Anderson – CHAIR/ Community Governor - Curriculum/Standards and Outcomes/Safeguarding

Sara Williamson – Parent Governor - Attendance

Sarah Moss – Staff Governor

Rachel Woodcock – Parent Governor – Behaviour and shadowing safeguarding

Janette Kennedy – Community Governor - SEND and Finance