


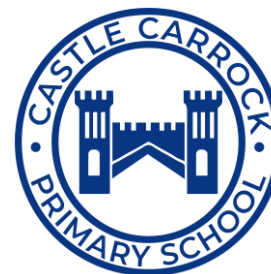


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Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

We had a great day on Monday taking a step back from new learning. The children completed a range of activities including mindfulness, painting to music and yoga. A lot of children also enjoyed watching the England match, we could not believe the final score, fingers crossed they perform just as well tonight!

On Thursday we took a group of children to the Talkin Tarn Cross Country run. The children were amazing! Frankie finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the mixed race and our mixed team finished 1<sup>st</sup> – a great achievement. Well done everyone.

The year 6 children have had a particularly busy week attending a CET netball festival at William Howard and a CET preview showing of Matilda at Rheged.

Thank you for joining us this afternoon for our decorate the Christmas tree service. The tree honestly looks amazing decorated with the children's work. It was wonderful to see so many people celebrate with us. We hope you enjoyed your festive treats which Honeybee Class baked for us.

Another great week as we head towards the festive period.

#### **PTFA Christmas Fair – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 3:30-5:30pm**

The PTFA are busy organising our Christmas Fair. Donations of wine, tombola prizes and baking can be handed in at the office on Friday morning. Family and friends are welcome to join us from 3:30pm. We can't wait to see you all there.

#### **Class News**

##### **Honeybee Class**

Wow! Another busy week for the honeybees. On Monday we had a fantastic time when the Castle Carrock Toddler Group came to join us for a play session. The boys and girls of this class really did themselves proud by helping the younger ones explore all that we have to offer. Their kind, sharing natures really shone and we could not have been prouder!

After the mayhem, it was time for some relaxation as part of our Press Pause Day and Honeybees enjoyed an introduction to mindful breathing by gently unwinding and rocking their teddies to sleep – ahh, bliss! On Tuesday we went hunting for the Gruffalo and enjoyed a fabulous walk through the fields, collecting sticks, bits of wool and other treasures along the way. Later in the week we made a start on our Christmas decorations, learnt the story of Rosie's Walk, made Gruffalo masks, enjoyed navigating an obstacle course and sang our hearts out in singing practise.

##### **Bumblebee Class**

Bumblebees have had an exciting week. Firstly, we had a lovely press pause day on Monday, where we made Christmas decorations and carried out different mindfulness activities. We also enjoyed our trip to the cinema to see Sing 2. The children had a lovely time and behaved and represented the school brilliantly. In terms of learning in English we have started writing letters. We are at the early stage of this process identifying the purpose of letters and some of their features. We have also started learning our Christmas play which the children are really excited about.

##### **Queen Bee Class**

This week in Queen Bee Class we have been action packed and non-stop! We began the week with our press pause day where the children made their very own pom-pom baubles to decorate our school Christmas tree (alongside cheering on the three lions in the opening world cup match). Some of the class completed at a cross country event, in which every one of them performed excellently and we even had some 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes! Finally, we prepared for our celebration assembly by writing scripts, painting honeycomb letters and rehearsing which led to a hugely successful assembly on Thursday afternoon. Phew! Good work Queen Bees.

##### **Update**

Unfortunately, I have been called for Jury Duty starting on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November for possibly up to 2 weeks. I will be in school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November until 9am. I do not know how many days and what times I will be required for Duty until I attend on Monday. I know this is far from ideal, but I have already moved the date once and am required by law to attend. When not in school, I will continue to work as much as possible and will answer Dojo messages and emails as usual. Art club will continue on Monday night after school as Miss Moynan has very kindly offered to cover. Mr Wilkins, Mrs Nicholson and Mrs Kenyon will be around to support.

Yours Sincerely

Miss A. Carroll

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