



Headteacher's Headlines

We have had a wonderful week in school this week with the sunny weather continuing. It has been a busy week for everyone and has included a session on the local history of Castle Carrock provided by Carlisle Archive Centre and an EYFS / KS1 sports festival which was held at William Howard School. A reminder that some of the Year 6 children and myself will be running a raffle at Castle Carrock's Market on the Marr this Sunday 19th May to help raise funds towards a new play park for the village. We hope to see you there! Thank you as always for the support that you show the school.

Warmest Wishes,

Sarah

Honeybee Class Sensory Garden

The Children had a great time planting herbs in the Sensory Garden. We are so lucky to have such fantastic outdoor areas for our children to play and learn in.



History at Castle Carrock School

A big thank you to Carlisle Archives for visiting the Queen Bee Class to talk about the local area and show artefacts and maps relating to Castle Carrock as part of our local area study. The children and the adults found this extremely interesting. A big thank you also to former pupil Sandra Danzell for zooming in all the way from Canada to share her experience as a former pupil of Castle Carrock School. The children loved your stories about the school in days gone by!

EYFS and KS1 Festival

Thank you to William Howard School for a wonderful fun-packed morning for our EYFS and KS1 children. The children enjoyed many activities including playing with the outdoor parachute, participating in athletic skills events and practising ball control to name a few.



Sunflower Competition

There are a limited number of the amazing 'Grow you own Sunflower' packs left to purchase. These packs contain everything you need to compete in our competition of 'Who can grow the tallest Sunflower'.



Honeybee Class Trip – Hutton in the Forest

The Honeybee class are really looking forward to their trip to Hutton in the Forest as part of their Castles and Knights topic. Thank you so much to Hutton in the Forest for accommodating us. The children will have a great time exploring the wonderful gardens and walkways.

Queen Bee Class Trip – RSPB Geltsdale

The Queen Bee class are heading to the RSPB at Geltsdale for a morning of Bird watching and fun at this amazing nature reserve. Please ensure that your child brings suitable footwear for the initial walk to the reserve and clothing suitable for the weather whether this be rain or shine.

BAG 2 School

A reminder to please bring all bags into school on Tuesday 21st May by 09:00am. We appreciate all donations. Please see the leaflet for further details as to what can be placed in the bags.





Class News

Team Honeybees

We've been celebrating lots of different successes in Honeybees this week with one child learning to ride her bike and another teaching himself the alphabet using British Sign Language (which came as a total surprise to us and his parents!). Meanwhile in the classroom all the children have been working hard on identifying different 2D shapes, rotating and combing shapes to make all sorts of pictures and patterns and seeing what shapes we can spot in the environment. In literacy, we used the wonderful picture book *The Queen Next Door* as a prompt for designing and describing our own thrones and the children impressed with their knowledge and understanding of what materials might work best and which materials would not be suitable. Obviously, lots of glitter came into the equation! It's also been a sporty week for the Honeybees with three sessions of PE – one with Mrs Trickett from William Howard where the children practised throwing and catching, one with a coach from the Carlisle United Community Trust team where they worked on invasion games and one where the children practised balancing, stopping and starting and being able to steer their way around an obstacle course on the balance bikes, trikes and scooters.

Team Bumblebees

We have had a lovely sunny week this week, filled with lots of wonderful learning. In our English we started looking at Traditional Tales for Years 1 and 2, and Year 3 began looking at Twisted Tales. So far, we have dived into reading different traditional and twisted tales. In Maths we are continuing with time, Year 1 have been exploring time using o'clock and half past, Year 2 have been learning about the length of time in an hour and in days. Finally, Year 3 have been finding the duration of activities using a start and end time. In History Year 3 and 4 were looking at life of children in the Tudor times, we talked about how it was very different to our lives now. In Science Year 3 and 4 have been exploring the melting point of different foods, first we made a prediction of which food would have the highest melting point and then we carried out our experiment.

Team Queen Bee

This week Queen Bees enjoyed a visit from the Carlisle Archive Centre to explore their history work about the local area. The children looked at a variety of documents including wills, sales particulars, maps and old census records to uncover information about the history of Castle Carrock. We learned about some of the families from the area from Tudor times through to the Victorian era. In Science, we are starting to look at microorganisms and are using our scientific knowledge to design experiments to test how mould grows. This week the children from Years 4 and 5 had a go at performing their persuasive speeches, aiming to persuade world leaders to take action about the number of children around the world who are not able to go to school. The children did a great job and gave each other feedback as we went along. In Maths, we are now learning about money and are looking at applying our knowledge of decimals to word problems involving money.



Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 14th May 2024

Friday 17th May 2024

Sunday 19th May 2024

Monday 20th May 2024

Tuesday 21st May 2024

Thursday 23rd May 2024

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Honeybees class trip to Hutton in the Forest

Queen Bees trip to RSPB Geltsdale

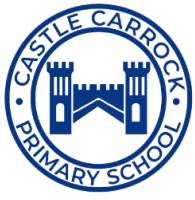
Market on the Marr, Castle Carrock 10:00am -2pm

Year 3 /4 Tennis competition

I can fitness sessions in school

Queen Bees Garden Day

Woodland activities – over 2 days



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