



Headteacher's Headlines

What a lovely last week of this half term we have had at Castle Carrock Primary School. Even in the rain we have had lots of fun. The Honeybees thoroughly enjoyed their wet weather walk, trying to catch rain drops and splashing in puddles! We hope you have a restful and enjoyable half-term and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 3rd June 2024.

Warmest Wishes,
Sarah

I Can Fitness on Tuesday 21st May

Wow what a brilliant morning the children thoroughly enjoyed bouncing and having fun. We cannot wait to have them back in School next year.



Tennis Tournament

The children really enjoyed taking part in the tennis tournament at Chatsworth Tennis Club. They showed endless enthusiasm and resilience and were a credit to the school.



Reception and Year 6 National Screening

This is taking place on Tuesday for Reception and Year 6 – all information has been sent out.

Komatsu Climate Heros Thursday weekly sessions

Queen Bee class have Natasha coming in from Komatsu Climate Heros with Carlisle United Community Sports Trust. Sessions will cover, climate scientists, biodiversity, ecosystems and green futures. The last session will be held at Carlisle Airport, where all children will receive a goody bag!

Year 5 & 6 Growing and changing & Reproduction

We are looking forward to Donna Moore Specialist Health Educator talking to the Year 5 & 6 children, and information letter has been sent out please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sponsored - get our school to Paris

This year's sports day is themed around the Olympics! To help raise money for school funds, the PTFA have sent a sponsorship form home with all the children in their bags. We would love to get our school to Paris by completing 755km in various ways including cycling, running, walking or even skipping! You will find all the details on the sponsorship form.



Extra-Curricular clubs

We will be starting our extra-curricular clubs again from the week commencing Monday 10th June. A big thanks to members of the PTFA who are coming in to complete an art club with the children. Watch this space for the other exciting clubs that are coming our way!

Class News

Team Honeybees

To wrap up our Castles topic our focus this week was on the wonderful traditional tale of Jack and the Beanstalk. The fun began when the children discovered giant footprints in the classroom as they returned from lunch on Monday afternoon. Chairs and tables were tipped up and the fruit box had been raided. Who had been in our classroom and where were they now? It seems the giant had



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paid us a visit! The following day he left a letter for the children asking them to help him by writing down instructions on how to grow a beanstalk so that he could get back to his castle. Of course, the children had a go at planting their own bean plants and then wrote a booklet detailing what to do. We left the booklets out hoping the giant would take a look and then disappear back into the clouds! Then the rain came down on Wednesday and Thursday which prompted lots of questions about floods and why they happened. Being proper countryside learners we put on our wellies, zipped up our coats and headed outside to explore. The children had a great time jumping in the puddles and watching the water travel at speed along the nearby swollen stream. As well as having fun we took the opportunity to talk about water safety and the importance of not going in any moving water without an adult saying it was ok. The children have all worked so hard this half term. We hope they enjoy a restful break and that the sunshine returns once more.



Team Bumblebees

What a fun-packed last week it has been! We have completed our writing projects on twisted tales and fairytales. The children displayed joy throughout this unit, and their enthusiasm is clearly reflected in their final pieces. How imaginative our young learners are! In Maths, Year 3 delved deeper into fractions, focusing on numerators, denominators, unit fractions, and non-unit fractions. Meanwhile, Year 1 and 2 continued their exploration of position and direction, concentrating on using precise language to describe turns, positions, and directions. In History, Year 3 and 4 delved into the lives of Victorian children, using various sources to study the different jobs children undertook during that era. In Science, we kicked off an investigation to explore the processes of evaporation and condensation.

Team Queen Bee

This week the children have been consolidating their knowledge for the topics we have studied this half term. To do this, in history, the children had a go at putting themselves in the shoes of a Victorian child working in a cotton mill. The children wrote diary entries in which they had to consider what it would have been like to work in such a dangerous environment at such a young age. In Science, the children have completed their mould investigation and have reflected on what the results of this tell us about the conditions in which mould thrives. They have also been using their scientific understanding to create their own animal belonging to different kingdoms and biological classifications. In English, the children are now publishing their own explanation texts and are working hard to ensure the presentation is their best work. Finally, all the Queen Bees participated in cooking bolognaise recipes this week. As a class we made three variations of the recipe based on research we had conducted in previous lessons.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 4 th June	NHS Screening Reception and NHS measuring programme Year 6
Tuesday 4 th June	Kidsafe Parents Information session – coffee and cake.
Thursday 6 June	Komatsu Climate Heroes with Queen Bees (for 6 weeks)
Friday 7 th June	Year 5 & 6 Growing and changing & Reproduction with Donna Moore
Thursday 13 th June	Maypole Dancing
Friday 14 th June	Tempest Photography class photos
Friday 14 th June	Castle Carrock Garden Grand opening- more details to follow
Saturday 15 th June	Open Gardens in the village all weekend.
Sunday 16 th June	Open Gardens in the village all weekend
Thursday 20 th June	Break the Rules Day – Eden Valley Hospice