

What's New @ The View!

Castleview Family News

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Our Final Term Session 2018/19

It is hard to believe we are now in the final month of the school session. What a session it has been! Certainly too many highlights for this issue. Hopefully we can capture some in this issue.

If we do get any sun in June please try to put sun tan lotion on your child and give them a hat for protection. We love to get in the fresh air and learn outdoors.

Annual Review

We are always striving to improve our school. This month we have been inviting all stakeholders; Parents/Carers, Partners and Pupils to complete a questionnaire to review how we are doing and what we could do better.

Once we have collected all the results we will review them at our meetings and plan to implement changes for the year ahead. If you have not yet completed a questionnaire please go to the school office who will give you the questionnaire. It is a simple quiz done on an ipad which does not take long.

Please complete the quiz we really value your views and want to use them to drive the direction of our school forward.



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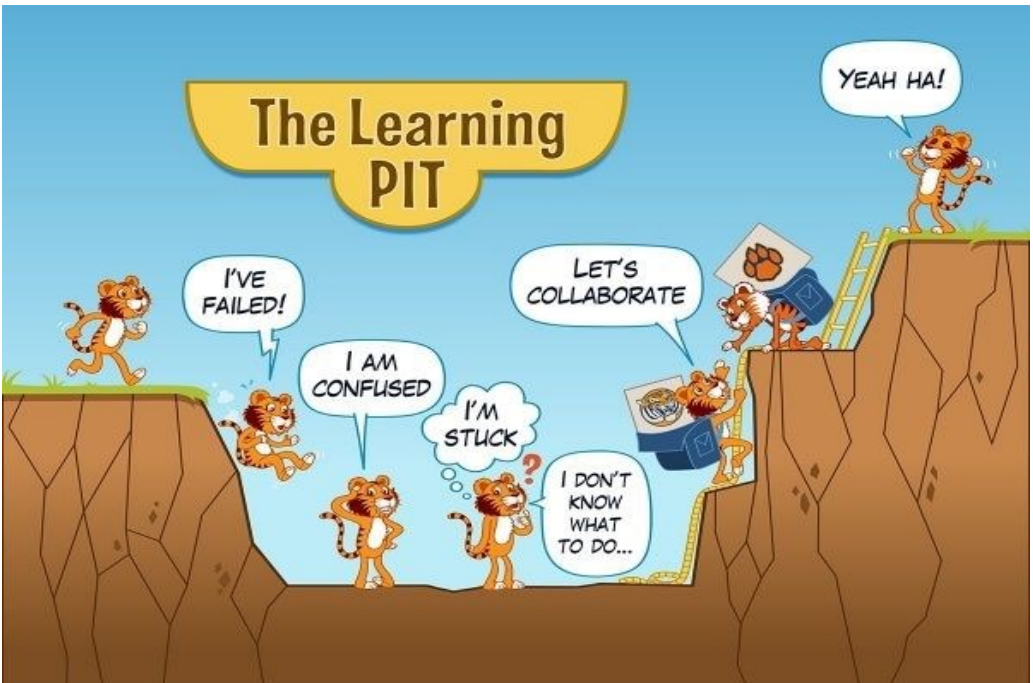
Castleview Language of Learning



The Learning Pit and a Growth Mindset

At Castleview we talk to our children about the learning pit or learning maze. All classes have a display on the wall. For children to learn they have to throw themselves into the pit, out of their comfort zone and have a go.

This takes courage and a growth mindset 'I can't do this **yet**'. Once in the pit children deepen their thinking and work hard alone or with others to climb out the pit, then they have truly learned.



DEVELOPING A **GROWTH MINDSET**



INSTEAD OF.....	TRY THINKING....
I'm not good at this	What am I missing?
I give up	I'll use a different strategy
It's good enough	Is this really my best work?
I can't make this any better	I can always improve
This is too hard	This may take some time
I made a mistake	Mistakes help me to learn
I just can't do this	I am going to train my brain
I'll never be that smart	I will learn how to do this
Plan A didn't work	There's always Plan B
My friend can do it	I will learn from them

A word from our weans



Equity at Castleview by Hannah and Femi in P6

Equity is important to Castleview. We like things to be fair. We have lots of free clubs so everyone can join in. There is wide range of activities such as netball, football, drama, dance, basketball and so many more.

We also provide food for all like breakfast club before school and if you can't make it to that we have a bagel bar in school when school starts, we also give out free fruit.

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Resilience - Final Unit - Expect the Unexpected

This term we launched our final Building Resilience unit. This unit is called 'Expect the Unexpected'. In this unit, we explore how we cannot protect ourselves from change (no matter how much we would like to) as it is part of life. Sometimes change can be a positive experience and sometimes it brings with it, disappointments, difficulties or loss. In this unit we will be learning that:

- Change is a part of life
- It's ok not to be ok
- I have learnt ways to look after my mental health

We will reflect on the 10 tools we have been learning about over the past three years. We know how to look after our physical health by doing things like brushing our teeth, exercising and trying to make healthy food choices. However, we must also ensure we are looking after our minds. The ten tools we have been learning about help us do just that. We should practise using these tools regularly. The ten tools to support our mental health and wellbeing are -

Let us reflect on our 10 tools that help support our mental health and wellbeing

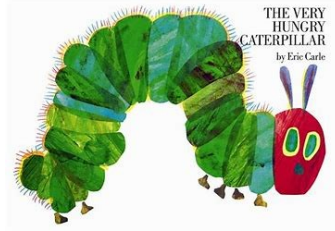


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Butterflies at Castleview

Our Nursery, P1 and Rainbow class have all been learning about life cycles. Last week there was great excitement as we watched caterpillars emerge from cocoons. The journey began with 5 live caterpillars in each class, who built cocoons and then came out as wonderful butterflies. We have now released our butterflies into the wild. These are magical learning moments and we know our children will remember them!



On Friday the 31st May Mrs Newall and Ms Langley were invited to attend an Edinburgh conference on Parental engagement and supporting parenting. Mrs Newall is recognised as delivering and leading excellent practice in this area. At Castleview we give this a high priority. Nobody ever said it was easy to be a parent/carer and we see the importance of working together to support each other with this, the hardest job of all! At Castleview we offer a range of parenting courses, PEEP in nursery and P1, Triple P and Growing confidence. In addition we have our weekly Tea Club. Please join us when you can. If you are interested in any of our parenting courses please speak to Mrs Newall.



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We are learning to chop vegetables to make a healthy quesadilla pizza.



We are learning to look after our own wellbeing and take time to relax

A snapshot of some of our learning in Healthy Focus Week
May 2019 - Thank you Mrs Martin for organising this



We are learning to control a ball with Ross from Gold and Gray Soccer Academy



We are learning to use equipment at the gym to keep fit



We are learning to prepare a healthy breakfast



We are learning to plan a cycle ride to keep healthy



Rota Kids at Castlevew

This session Ms Morrison started running a new after school club called Rota Kids. Rota kids is a children's spin off of an adult Rota Club and are world wide. Castleivew is the first Rota Kids club in Edinburgh. The club is created from the Rotary principles and is intended to make the child aware of their responsibility to society and the world. The purpose of the club is to support opportunities for children to organise themselves in a group, exercise leadership and promote the values if citizenship.



On the 28th of March we were joined at school by the Lord Provost for our official Rota Chartering Ceremony. Our rota group lead by their elected president Tyler have been busy. They have been focussing on cleaning up our community. They are now focussing on a campaign to raise money to send water filters to under-developed countries. Thank you Ms Morrison for supporting this club.

Rota kids always welcomes new members from P4-P7.

We wish her well!

Mrs Smith will be not return immediately in August as she will be on maternity leave! We look forward to meeting her little bundle of joy when he or she arrives.



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Rolls Royce Science Prize Update Engineering Winners!

Ms Carter continues to lead our Rolls Royce Science Prize team.

As part of this work Mrs Grant, Ms White and Ms Carter took their after school engineering clubs to the Primary Engineering competition on the 23rd of May. Primary Engineer is a non profit company who encourages children and young people towards STEM careers through engineering. Exactly what our Science Prize entry is about.



Our after school Science Clubs worked hard to prepare for this competition. The hard work paid off as they came back to school as winners! We were the winner of Best theme, 1st place for Engineer Level 2 and 1st place for Apprentice Level 2. We could not be prouder.



Not only did our children need to complete a design for a specific brief and make it but they had to be interviewed by real engineers and fully explain their work.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Carter for leading our Science Prize work. We are of course already winners for being nominated as one of only six national finalists. This session Ms Carter has worked hard to evidence and report on our work. Our final entry has now been sent in. Thank you Ms Carter.

To learn more about our Rolls Royce Science Prize please look at this link and scroll down to see the Castleview entry. The national winner will be announced in November 2019.

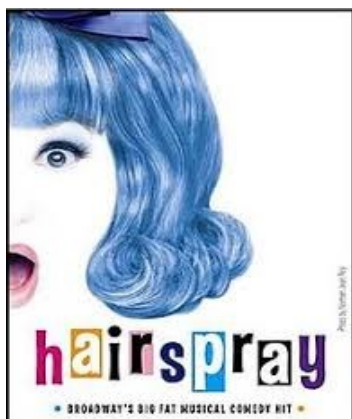


Please remember the lovely Kirsteen from CHAI has appointments every Tuesday morning at Castleview. Please book these through our office. Kirsteen is doing a fantastic job at supporting our families. She has dealt with a variety of issues including; Free School Meals, homelessness, neighbour complaints, sourcing uniform and clothes, gas/ electricity being cut off, benefit checks, Edindex issues and benefit claims. Don't be shy give it a try! School staff are happy to support families along to appointments.



Senior Show 2019 Hairspray!

This year we took a new approach to our Senior Show. We moved it to our last term and condensed the time given to it. This was to ensure that our focus on raising attainment in Literacy and Numeracy was not impacted on by rehearsing.



We also gave all pupils a voice and they choose whether they were a performer, stage crew, sound and lightening crew, props team or took part in an outdoor learning opportunity. Next year we plan to build on this model by linking to skills for life and work, asking children to complete applications and interviews for the role they want to take on. We would also like to introduce a hospitality team who will do catering for the performance. Watch this space!

Our pupils and staff did an amazing job in a reduced period of time. This was probably the hardest show we have taken on and it also had the most lines to learn. The children worked really hard to learn these. A special thanks needs to go to Ms Florence and Mrs Pearson who gave up lots of their own time to support the performance.



All welcome to Parent/Carer Tea Club
on Friday at 11.30—12.30.
Have a friendly cuppa and chat with the grown ups and
then spend some protected time with your child on a fun
activity.



Session 2019 - 2020

Meet the Teacher

Meet the teacher is on Tuesday the 18th June at 1.45pm. This is a great opportunity for you learn more about the learning your child will be doing next session. See below for our staffing for next year. Please do join us for Meet the Teacher.

P1A	Ms Chavasse
P1B	Ms Carter
P2A	Ms White
P2B	Ms Hood
P3A	Mrs Bootland
P3B	Ms Gibson
P4A	Ms Maxwell
P4B	Mrs Noble
P5A	Ms McGrory
P5B	Vacancy
P6A	Ms Armstrong
P6B	Ms Chapman
P7A	Mrs Pearson
P7B	Mr Doyle
Attainment Teacher	Ms Morrison
Support for Learning Teacher	Mrs Jeffrey
Reduced Class Contact PE	Mrs Martin
Reduced Class Contact Outdoor Learning	Mrs Mack
Family Learning and Nurture Teacher	Mrs Newall
Principal Teacher	Ms Barrie
Senior Development Officer	Ms Florence
Depute Headteacher	Ms Burnett
Headteacher	Ms Langley

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First Minister's Question Time Next Generation

We were delighted that an application Ms Taylor made was accepted and 4 of our pupils were able to attend First Minister Question Time Next Generation. They had an amazing experience and took pupil voice to a whole new level! Thank you Ms Taylor.



This year our Netball team have had an amazing season, They just keep winning! Hard work and commitment pays off! Thank you Ms Carter for training after school and taking our pupils to matches!



A Final Note

I have to thank everyone in our amazing school family for all their hard work this year. We have worked hard to embed our school values - Joy, Honesty, Kindness and Respect. Together we all continue to put these at the heart of all we do. For some this is not always an easy task but we are all doing it. When talking to Parents and Carers it is evident they are not judgemental and understand we are all individuals with our own things going on. We are all supporting each other and Castleview continues to be a loving nurturing school.

The Summer holidays can be a long break from routines. This can be hard. Please look after each other and be safe. Keep an eye on twitter and our website where we will let you know of any holidays clubs and supports.

Thank you for a great year.

Clare Langley (Headteacher)



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