



NEWSLETTER

26/27 #3 Friday 25 September 2026



Castle Life

Welcome to Skye (Cowell) and her family who joined our school this week.

Thank you to all of our YR families who attended our YR Curriculum evening – it was great to have so many families join us. We hope that you found it useful. The slides have been emailed out today.

Learning is now in full swing here at Castle – classrooms are a hive of activity!

Mrs Sessions

Y6 Trip to We the Curious

Yesterday, Year 6 went on a school trip to We The Curious. It was so fun and we all had a great time!

We did a workshop teaching us about forces (air resistance in particular). There were many live demonstrations and fun experiments that we all got the chance to take part in. We also had time to look around and explore the museum which was amazing.

We headed into the planetarium, where we were given a pair of 3D glasses. Everybody was amazed by what we saw and found out, and we even got to choose which planets we saw! When everyone came out, we were buzzing with the excitement of it all. Everyone agreed that it was one of the best school trips that we've ever been on. We would definitely recommend it!

Written by Elsie and Addi

We couldn't be prouder of the Year 6s. They were so polite, respectful and represented Castle superbly. Well done, Year 6!

Mrs O'Brien, Mr Webb and Mrs Volpini



Fleur Hitchcock Author Visit

Yesterday our Y3, Y4 and Y5 children enjoyed a presentation by Fleur Hitchcock. Fleur talked about her novel Malory Towers Mystery Club. She



also gave us some pointers to write our own mystery stories.



Starting School in September 2027

We are now taking bookings for school tours for children who will be starting school in September 2027. If you know anyone who has a child starting school in September, please encourage them to book onto a tour at our school – We have lots of dates on offer and will add more if we get booked up. The booking form can be found on our school website:

<https://www.castle.bathnes.sch.uk/our-school/admissions>

Y6 Transition to Secondary School

Our Y6 families have been busy viewing local secondary schools these last couple of weeks. Attached to the newsletter is a booklet explaining the BANES Admission process. A reminder that you need to apply online through the BANES School Admissions Portal. If you have a child in Y6, your child has brought home a transfer letter with them today – this contains their Unique Identification Number which can be used to automatically fill in your child's details on the application form. Although we are not experts, please reach out to us if you need support to complete the application process. The deadline is October 31st 2026.

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Clubs

Teacher clubs start next week. All texts confirming places will be sent this evening. Take up for clubs was very popular again this term and unfortunately some children did not get a place. For those who did, we will keep a waiting list and will ensure priority to those pupils is given in Terms 3 and 4.

Clubs will finish at 4pm. The teachers in charge of the club will bring the children to meet you on the KS2 playground.

Planned Teacher Changes

Date	Class	Cover
Mon 28 th September	Wilson	Mrs Tucker
Wed 30 th Sept	Farook	Mrs Lewis-Zydbel (am) /Mr Wilson (pm)

Reminders

We continue to see lots of children wearing hooped earrings. Please can you ensure that if children are wearing earrings into school, they wear studs only. Hooped earrings pose a potential health and safety risk.

Birthday Books & Thank You's

Happy birthday and a big thank you to:

Alma (Rauf) for donating 'Tom Gates Yes, No (Maybe)' and 'Absolutely Fantastic (at some things)' for her 10th Birthday.

Hattie (Dahl) for donating 'Milo's Monster' and 'Ready Steady Mo' for her 7th Birthday.

Vinnie (Carle) for donating Gruffalo Granny for his 5th Birthday.

Leo(Puddleducks)for donating Elmer's Birthday for his 4th Birthday.

Achievements Outside School

Robyn (Gravett) achieved her Learn to Swim Stage 1 certificate.

Well done!



Star Pupils & Frosty Friday

Our **STAR learners** are:

Bonnie	(Rosen)	Sophie	(Carle)
Delilah	(Ahlberg)	Archer	(Donaldson)
Frankie	(Gravett)	Alfie	(Jones)
Alanna	(Dahl)	Jessica	(Hughes)
Robert	(Cowell)	Frankie	(Farook)
Arthur	(Rauf)	Max	(Wilson)
Sol	(Blackman)	Albie	(Foster)

For always displaying Castle Behaviour our **Frosty Friday** winners:

Indie	(Ahlberg)	Vinnie W	(Donaldson)
Chester	(Gravett)	Dottie	(Jones)
Libby	(Dahl)	Harley	(Hughes)
Elias	(Cowell)	Izzy	(Farook)
Charlie	(Rauf)	Oliver	(Wilson)
Flo	(Blackman)	Izzy	(Foster)

Winning Teams

Congratulations to **Farleigh** for gaining the most points!

1st	Farleigh
2nd	Chepstow
3rd	Caldicot
4th	Berkeley

8th Keynsham Brownies



8th Keynsham Brownies are looking for more girls to join them and have immediate starts available. They meet on Tuesdays in the hut opposite the field by the school. Please see attached flyer for further details.

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