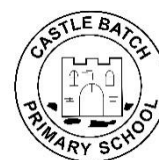


Castle Batch Primary School



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Issue 4

Week Commencing 5th October 2026

Happy, Confident Children, Learning to Learn

Notes for the week: **5th October 2026**

Monday

Forest school - KS1 S&L Base

P.E - EYFS Batch Base (JB/RS)

P.E - KS1 - S&L Base

P.E - Yr 5

Tuesday

P.E - Yr 1

P.E - Yr 2

Wednesday

P.E - Yr 3

Thursday

Forest School - EYFS

P.E - Yr 1

P.E - Yr 4

P.E - Yr 5

Friday

P.E - EYFS Castle Base (HL/RS)

P.E - Yr 2

P.E - Yr 6

Headteacher Information

I honestly cannot believe it is October already—this term is flying by! We have had another wonderful, busy week filled with fantastic experiences across the school.

Our Year 6 pupils had an incredible time away on their trip, making brilliant memories and showing fantastic team spirit. Meanwhile, our Little Learners had a fantastic time exploring nature during their Forest School session this week, and the children involved in the Future Stars sessions threw themselves into some brilliant activities. A special shout-out as well to the classes who enjoyed their cooking sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons—the school smelled wonderful!

In our assembly this week, we spent time thinking a lot about kindness and the incredible power a simple kind act or word has to make someone's day. I've certainly felt the impact of that message myself this week—it has been so lovely having several children pause to ask me how my day has been and check in on me.

Thank you all for your continued support, and I hope you all have a wonderful weekend ahead

Clubs

Monday- Per4mance Theatre – Hall

Foundations in Football - Years 4, 5 & 6 starts 21/09/26

Tuesday- Foundations in Football - Years 1, 2 & 3 starts **29/09/26**

Wednesday- Choir - Lunchtime – 12.10pm - 12.45pm

Thursday- Dance Club with Martha - Year 3, 4, 5, & 6 starts 24/09/26

FOCB

Get ready to style those locks! The Friends of our school (FOCB) will be holding a Funky Hair and Non-Uniform Day on Friday 23rd October.

Children are invited to come into school wearing their favourite non-uniform outfits paired with the wild, colourful, or crazy hairstyle of their choice—think bright hair dye, funky wigs, backcombed creations, or extra accessories!

Thank you in advance for supporting FOCB and helping raise funds for our school. Further details regarding suggested donations will follow shortly.

Reception Open days

It has been fantastic to see such a brilliant uptake for our prospective Foundation/Reception Open Days! If you have a child due to start school next September—or know family, friends, and neighbours who do—we still have one final date remaining: Saturday 10th October

Family Breakfast: Starts at 9.30am (a bacon roll is included!)

School Tour: Starts at 10.00am Come along to meet our dedicated team, see our wonderful provision, and get a feel for our welcoming school community. How to Book:

	Please email mailbox@cbpsa.theplt.org.uk to reserve your spot with the following details: Your name and contact number Number of visitors in your group (maximum of 2 adults per child)
Well Done Kitchen Team	A huge congratulations to our fabulous kitchen team, who recently achieved an outstanding 5 out of 5 in their Environmental Health inspection! This fantastic result recognises the team's hard work, care and commitment to maintaining the highest standards of food hygiene and safety. We are incredibly proud of them — well done to our brilliant kitchen team!
Castle Batch Little Heros	At the end of term 1 we will again be presenting some very worthy children with recognition and a reward for being a Castle Batch Little Hero! These children will really have gone ABOVE AND BEYOND with respect to their local or wider community. Children in the past have received nominations for donating their hair to charity, running to fundraise, litter picking on a regular basis and many more dedicated causes. It really is lovely to acknowledge and appreciate what our children do outside of school! Please, if you know of a child who has helped the community in some way, let us know so we can reward them. Nominations to be received before Wednesday 9th July. Please email mailbox@cbpsa.theplt.org.uk with your nominations.
Harvest	For Harvest this year we will be collecting for the food bank so if you could donate anything from the list below that would be very much appreciated. • Cereal • Soup • Pasta • Rice • Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce • Lentils, beans and pulses • Tinned meat • Tinned vegetables • Tea/coffee • Tinned fruit • Biscuits • UHT milk • Fruit juice Please bring all items in by 9th October.

Half Term Tennis Camp – North Somerset Tennis Academy	Looking for a fun activity for your children over the upcoming half term break? North Somerset Tennis Academy is running half-term tennis camps open to all children aged 4 to 16 years! • Where: Clevedon Seafront Tennis Courts • When: ◦ Week 1: Monday 19th – Friday 23rd October (9:00am – 12:00pm) ◦ Week 2: Monday 26th – Friday 30th October (9:00am – 12:00pm) • Cost: Just £12 per session ◦ 15% discount available for siblings and multiple bookings The sessions cater to all ability levels and cover everything from tennis drills to fun team events. To Book or Find Out More: Scan the QR code on the flyer, or contact Stuart directly: • Phone: 07593 456869 • Email: stuart@n-somersettennis.com
Wear Yellow for YoungMinds – Friday 9th October	On Friday 9th October, our school is taking part in Wear Yellow Day to show our support for YoungMinds, a wonderful charity dedicated to children's mental health. We invite all children to come to school wearing yellow clothing (or a splash of yellow!) and bring a £1 donation to help raise funds for this important cause. Thank you in advance for your support!
Building Works	As many of you know, building work has been underway on the atrium roof. We are pleased to announce that construction is scheduled to finish on Friday, October 9th. We are looking forward to having this wonderful space back in action and open for school use once again!
2027 Admissions Process – Reception or Yr7	**Reminder** RECEPTION and YEAR 6 PARENTS The admissions process for school place applications for September 2027 is live for secondary applications from 12th September and for primary applications from Monday 29th September. For children due to transfer to a secondary or upper school the closing date for applications is 31st October 2026. For children due to start school for the first time or transfer to a primary school (Reception) the closing date for applications is 15th January 2027 and the national offer day is 16th April 2027.
Change of Numbers and email addresses	**Important** If you have changed your telephone number or email address can you please let the school office know so that we can update our records. We need to have at least 3 contact numbers for your children in the event that we are unable to reach the main contacts.

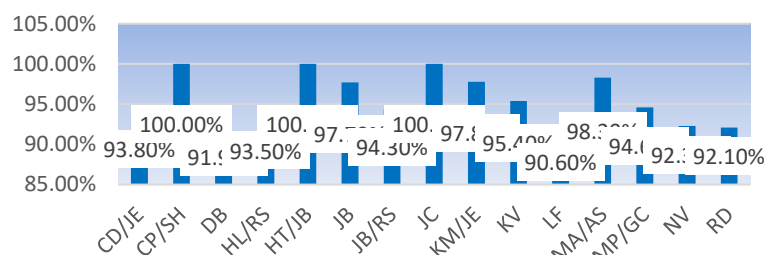


Promoting Attendance at Castle Batch

Current Attendance Overview:

To keep you informed, we have included a chart below, displaying our overall attendance percentage and a breakdown by class. This transparency allows us to collectively work towards our attendance target and celebrate our successes along the way.

This weeks attendance percentage for each class



Learning Champions

We held our Learning Champions Assembly this week to award children who have worked hard this week.

Well done to this week's winners:

- 1 NV - Joshua
- 1 CPSH - Nathaniel
- 2 MPGC - Freddie
- 2 LF - Freddie
- HT - Alex
- JB - Norbica
- 3 CDJE - Ralphie
- 3 KMJE - Amir
- 4 JB – Harley
- 4 KV - Elsie
- 5 RD - Tilly
- 5 JC - Jake
- 6 DB - Freya

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Wayne Higgins and our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) are Miss Bonny Owens (Wrap around Care), Mrs Ruth Baltzer and Mrs Helen Lovejoy

Mrs Natalie Blower (Little Learners Deputy DSL) and Mrs Bridget Starr (Little Learners Deputy DSL) Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL;

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

If you have concerns about your child at home or school, see the office to book an appointment. Alternatively, if you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger please contact the police directly by dialling 101 and they will discuss with Children's Social Care what action should be taken. In an emergency always contact the police by dialling 999.

Care Connect

01275 888 808

care.connect@n-somerset.gov.uk

Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm.

Out of hours calls will automatically go to an out of hours team who will redirect you to an appropriate service.

Whats On!



CASTLE BATCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

OPEN DAYS Reception

September 2027



**We are inviting new families to book an appointment for
2027/2028 Reception intake with us to find out more about
Castle Batch!**

Thursday 24th September	2.00pm - 3.00pm
Friday 25th September	9.30am - 10.30am
Thursday 1st October	9.30am - 10.30am
Friday 2nd October	2.00pm - 3.00pm
Friday 2nd October	4.30pm - 5.30pm

Family Breakfast for Prospective Parents

Saturday 10th October

Breakfast starts at 9.30am

Tour starts at 10.00am

To book an appointment slot please email mailbox@cbpsa.theplt.org.uk with
the following;

Your name and contact number, number of visitors in your group, preferred
appointment time.

Only 2 adults per child please.

The Family Support Fayre



Discover, Learn & Connect at Our FREE SEND Event

Resources and
Information for
families supporting
children 0 - 25 years
with additional needs
and/or disabilities

**21st
October
2026**

One Event
3 supportive spaces
Connect • Learn • Explore
• The Royal Hotel
• Winter Gardens
• Sovereign Centre

 **FREE expert-led SEND training**
Including Autism, sensory, masking &
eating difficulties sessions

 **5 Inspiring Keynote speakers**
Sharing professional and lived
experience perspectives

 **Local SEND Updates &
support information**

 **Understanding medically
complex needs**

 **Over 70+ Exhibitors**
Ranging across Health, Educational
and Support services

 **A Welcoming space for
families, carers &
professionals**



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