

Hello and welcome to Issue 3, of the Transition Newsletters. We hope you are looking forward to your day with us on 5th July 2022. This week, we have exciting DT challenges for you to have a go at.



MEET THE STAFF

Mrs Bonham
Head of Year

Hello Year 6! I will be your Head of Year when you join in September. I cannot wait to meet you on Year 6 Transition Day (9:00am to 2:30pm on 5th July 2022) and start the wonderful journey that you will have at Castle Hall Academy.

I will welcome you every morning into Mastery / lesson 1, supervise your breaks and lunches. I will also visit all your lessons supporting you and your class teachers.

Please make sure you read the 'Next Steps' information hand-book that has been sent to you (an electronic version is on the transition page of our website).

I will see you all very soon!

Communication

We work hard to ensure communication is effective between home and the Academy. We do this via ClassCharts, letters, phone calls, emails and texts. It is important parents keep their contact details provided to us, up to date, at all times. We must hold a minimum of two contacts in case of an emergency.

We also send a half-termly magazines and have social media accounts on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Our website is also full of important information and kept up to date.

Each year group has a Head of Year and their email and work mobile phone number will be shared with parents in September.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

What if I cannot manage in lessons?

Don't worry — lessons will be set so they challenge you, whilst making sure you can complete the work.

Top Tips:

- Always listen to your teacher at the start of the lesson; if you're unsure about anything just raise your hand and ask.
- Don't interrupt when the teacher is talking.
- Don't expect to know everything when you first start; it will take time to settle in.
- Always check you understand what you need to do for home learning; ask if you aren't sure.



SUBJECT CHALLENGE

ART & DESIGN

"You can't use up creativity. The more you use the more you have." -- Maya Angelou

Welcome to the Art and Design department at Castle Hall Academy. We are all very much looking forward to meeting you all and teaching you the creative subjects when you join us. We can't wait to see all your wonderful creations unfold in our lessons. Throughout year 7 you will focus on the following areas: Art, Design and Food.

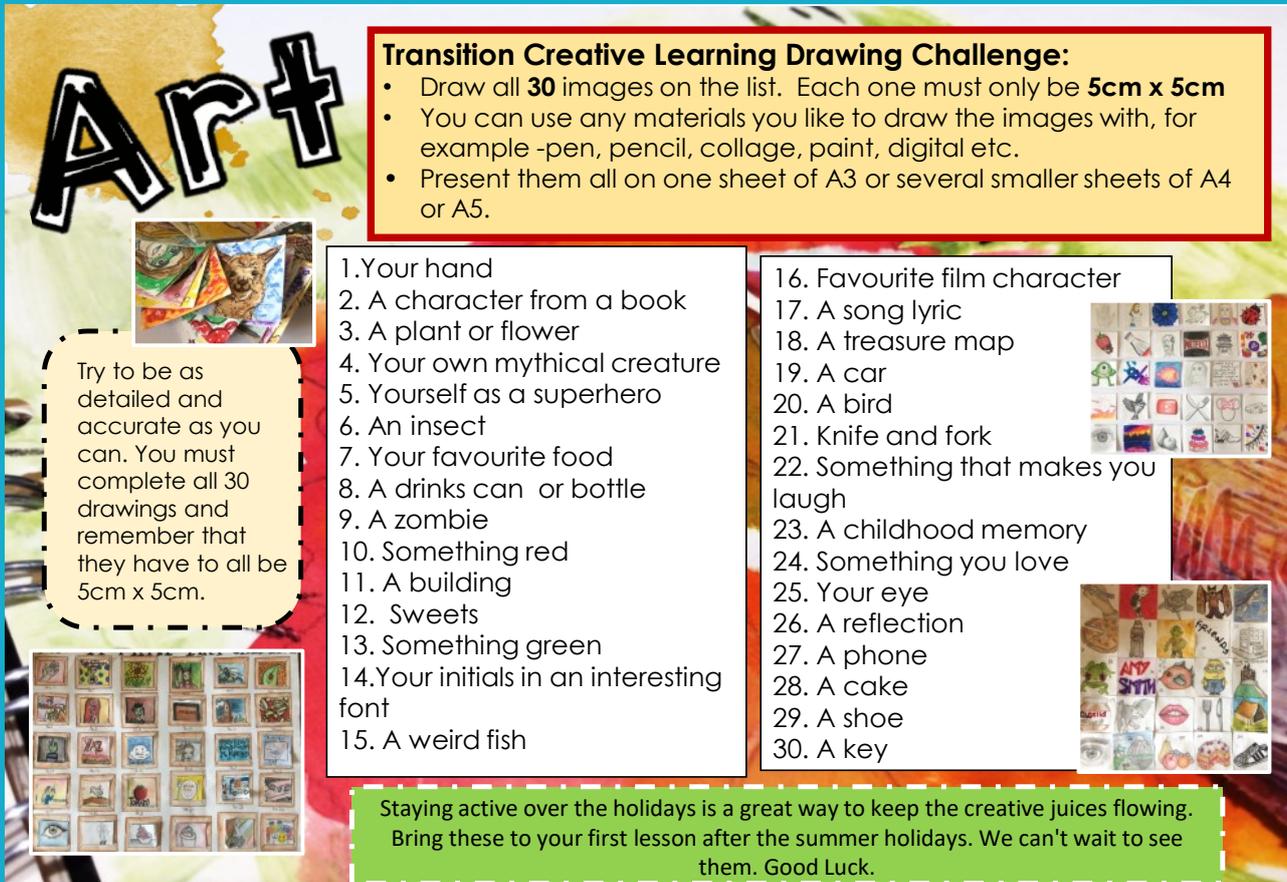
You will develop your drawing, making, painting and cooking skills. You will be able to show off your creativity and eat some great food you make along the way.

Stay safe and stay creative.

The Art and Design team.

ART CHALLENGE

The Art and Design department have set you two challenges. One to demonstrate your art skills and one your food skills. By completing the following challenges, when you start we can celebrate your success and display your works of art.



Transition Creative Learning Drawing Challenge:

- Draw all **30** images on the list. Each one must only be **5cm x 5cm**
- You can use any materials you like to draw the images with, for example -pen, pencil, collage, paint, digital etc.
- Present them all on one sheet of A3 or several smaller sheets of A4 or A5.

1. Your hand
2. A character from a book
3. A plant or flower
4. Your own mythical creature
5. Yourself as a superhero
6. An insect
7. Your favourite food
8. A drinks can or bottle
9. A zombie
10. Something red
11. A building
12. Sweets
13. Something green
14. Your initials in an interesting font
15. A weird fish

16. Favourite film character
17. A song lyric
18. A treasure map
19. A car
20. A bird
21. Knife and fork
22. Something that makes you laugh
23. A childhood memory
24. Something you love
25. Your eye
26. A reflection
27. A phone
28. A cake
29. A shoe
30. A key

Try to be as detailed and accurate as you can. You must complete all 30 drawings and remember that they have to all be 5cm x 5cm.

Staying active over the holidays is a great way to keep the creative juices flowing. Bring these to your first lesson after the summer holidays. We can't wait to see them. Good Luck.



SUBJECT CHALLENGE

FOOD CHALLENGE



- 1-Name all the food equipment in your home.
- 2-Building your Frying skills (Fry something).
- 3-Make an A-Z list of fruit and Veg.
- 4-Help Chop in the Kitchen (try to make them the same size)
- 5-Talk to a relative and get a traditional recipe.
- 6-Design a menu that is completely plant 5-based.
- 7- Draw 10 foods and translate the names into Spanish .
- 8-Keep a food diary for a week
- 9-Design and healthy balanced lunch.
- 10-Build on your baking skills (bake a cake).
- 11-Design a healthy sandwich influenced by another country.
- 12-Research why calcium is important.
- 13-Be in charge of making one pudding.
- 14-Create a poster about British food.
- 15- Take a photography all the carbohydrates you have in your kitchen (all together) – Good luck!!

Photograph every challenge and create a power point mood board with all 15 completed. Email the evidence to Mrs Norton at knorton@castlehall.com



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MESSAGES FROM CURRENT STUDENTS

Dear future Year 7,

If you are worried, don't be, Castle Hall Academy is the best school you could possibly come to. Every single teacher is so supportive. You can speak to your Head of Year about anything. If you are worried about making friends, don't be, there is nothing to worry about your Head of Year will help you to make friends.

See you soon,

Alesha

Dear future Year 7,

When I first started at Castle Hall I was very nervous. I didn't know if anyone would like me, people from my primary school came so I just stuck with them to start with. A couple of weeks in and I started feeling confident to ask questions and speak up. As time went on I started making friends with different people, I liked them and they liked me. It just felt like we were all a family. The teachers are great, they help you—they are kind.

I am looking forward to seeing you join Year 7.

See you here soon!

Jaxon

