

# CASTLE HALL TRANSITION NEWSLETTER ISSUE 1: 2025

Hello year 6 students, parents/carers—welcome to the first of our weekly transition newsletters that have been especially created for our new year 6 students, who are due to start with us in September. We know it is very important for you to get a good understanding of the exciting opportunities that await you when you start with us in year 7. Over the next few weeks, our newsletters will cover a range of topics that we hope you will find interesting and useful. Alongside this newsletter, we encourage you to regularly visit the Academy website and social media, where you will find lots of useful information and get an insight into Castle Hal Academy.

### **MEET THE STAFF**

Castle Hall Academy is first and foremost a place of learning where students feel safe and enjoy their educational journey.

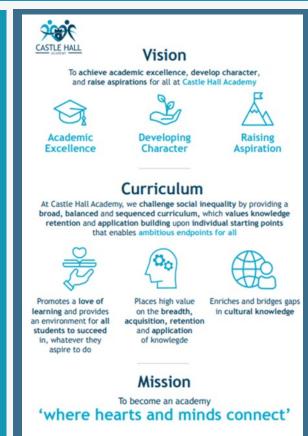
Learning is at the centre of everything we do both in and out of the classroom and with so many opportunities at Castle Hall we are sure you will enjoy many achievements.



Mr Brook, Headteacher



Miss Rankin, Head of School



### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

**How will I make friends?** I'm sure that many of you will have been thinking about how you are going to make new friends when you start at Castle Hall Academy. Don't worry it's perfectly normal to feel a little nervous about this. The summer transition days 1st and 2nd July 8:45 to 3:00 will provide lots of opportunities to make many new friends at Castle Hall Academy before you start in September.







# ATTENDANCE

Students should be on the Academy site by **8:25am** each day, the gates close at 8:25am. Mastery/Lesson 1 start promptly at **8:30am**.

### Why is good school attendance important?

**Regular** and **punctual** school attendance is essential to supporting students to flourish, fulfil their potential and enables them to:

- Learn
- Make and manage friendships
- Develop new skills
- Have fun
- Experience new things in the world around them
- Develop awareness and respect of other cultures, religion, ethnicity, and gender differences
- Build confidence and self-esteem
- Achieve and thrive with a sense of belonging to their school community
- Prioritise their well-being and happiness
- Be given the best start in life, enabling the best possible choices in their future

#### Missing school... missing out!

• Don't be the student who misses out.

# Y6 PARENTS' MEETING - SIGN UP NOW



## Y6 Parents' Meeting -Tuesday 24th June at Castle Hall Academy

Please select the time you will attend and advise the number of seats you require.

BY CLICKING THE LINK https://forms.office.com/e/1xnJ01AeCk OR VIA OUR QR CODE



## **SCIENCE**

#### **Science Club**

Do you enjoy learning about the world around you?

Are you interested in how things are made?

Would you like to make things go "bang"?

Then science club is for you. Science club takes place weekly and is organised by department staff. Each week is themed and involves a series of different experiments. Learn about many aspects of science from how different chemicals react together to how things fly through the air. And importantly, it's **YOU** that will get to do the experiments.









The whole science department is looking forward to meeting you. Mr Makda, Head of Science





## **MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

### **SPANISH**

¡Hola a todos! Welcome to the MFL department at Castle Hall Academy. We are all very much looking forward to meeting you all and teaching you Spanish when you join us.

There are many Spanish speaking countries in the world some of which you may have visited. It is the official language of the following Spain (including the Canary and Balearic Islands), Argentina, Ecuador, Mexico and 15 + other countries.

There are more than 450 million native speakers of Spanish, making it second only to Chinese in terms of the most spoken languages in the world. Spanish is the third most studied language in the world, after English and French.

In addition to the 450 million native speakers, just shy of 75 million people around the world speak Spanish as a second language.

When learning Spanish at CHA you will not only learn how to communicate in Spanish but you will learn about countries where the language is spoken, the food, culture, sports and famous people from that country.

We can't wait!

¡Hasta pronto year 6!

Mrs Spiers Head of Modern Foreign Languages





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#### THE GREAT SPANISH LANGUAGE CHALLENGE

