



CVA Celebrates OFSTED good

Students and staff at Castle View Academy began the new academic year with celebrations, after being rated 'Good' by Ofsted in all categories.

Inspectors praised a wide range of the school's strengths, including its ambitious curriculum, high-quality pastoral care and positive environment for learning. Ofsted's report was clear that "at the very heart of Castle View Academy is a desire for all pupils to achieve excellence".

Among the areas singled out for praise was the curriculum, which inspectors said leaders had developed in recent years to ensure it is "ambitious and well-structured". This is supported by high-quality teaching and planning that gives pupils the support they need to progress, including those with additional needs.

Mr Down said, "This recent Ofsted report is a credit to the hard work and dedication of our excellent staff team and our students, and is something that I know our whole school community will take pride in."



Message from Mr Tucker

Celebration assemblies in the last week of half term are always a pleasure to go to. Recognising the many achievements of our students is such a positive way to draw the half term to an end in preparation for a holiday. In addition to awards for their subjects, students received prizes for e-praise points, awards from their tutors, the Deputies and Directors of Key Stage and for attendance. It is clear from the pride shown when receiving certificates that students value the contribution they have made so far this term.

Our attendance office has also worked hard with families to try to support them when illness has meant a child has been unable to come to school. Any day missed means that learning has been lost and the student falls behind. I would urge all parents to encourage their children to come to school every day to make sure they benefit from the high-quality teaching which is a feature of Castle View.

Open Evening Extravaganza

We had a great time at our Open Evening Extravaganza in October where we welcomed over 140 families into the school!

The evening was packed full of activities ran by our subject teachers including sparkler-making in science, carnival games in PE and making boats in DT.

Congratulations to Theo from St Pauls who won the treats hamper!



Awards Evening

In September, we celebrated the excellence students had shown from last academic year. The evening was full of celebration with staff, governors and students' families joining to cheer on the students who had gone above and beyond last year. Alex Danson, an Olympic gold medalist, handed out the awards to the students and gave a motivating speech. Awards included Head of the Year award, sportsman/woman of the year and excellent GCSE results. We are so proud of the hard work students put in at Castle View Academy and we can't wait to celebrate excellence at the start of the next academic year!



Coming Up

Date	Event
31st October	Students Return (Week B)
3rd November	Y10 Trip to Mayflower Theatre
21st Novemeber	Half Day - Students finish at 12:30 PM
21st Nov - 1st December	Year 11 Mock Exams
2nd December	Inset Day
6th December	Winter Showcase
16th December	Last Day of Term 12:30 finish

CASTLE VIEW ACADEMY
WINTER SHOWCASE

A NIGHT AT THE Musicals



Save the Date

7:00 PM | 6TH DECEMBER | TICKETS COMING SOON!

Greenhouse Rewards Trip

The last week of summer saw a reward trip for some of the most committed students to the Castle View Greenhouse programme. Students spent a week on the Isle of Wight staying at the Urban Saints Centre along with 9 other Greenhouse programmes from London. They had an action-packed week mixing table tennis training and competition with other activities such as paintball, inflatable waterpark, frisbee golf and Bowling.

Coach Ash said, "It was great to spend the week in a different environment with the students. Time away gave great new opportunities and a chance to meet young people that share the same passion for the sport that they do. New friendships were formed, and existing ones deepened. Highlight of the week was seeing the young people's confidence grow as the week went on."



Football Success

CVA sports clubs and fixtures are up and running for girls' football and boys' football, with our Year 9 boys already winning a staggering 10-1 against Miltoncross. CVA PE department will soon be holding a raffle for the community, offering a very special prize to help raise money for a football kit for our teams to play in, so please keep your eyes peeled for when the raffle starts after half term!!

Visit to The Point Dance and Theatre Careers Day

Year 10 dance students spent the morning at The Point in Eastleigh where they got to explore different job opportunities within the Arts. They were able to speak to professional dance companies, theatres, universities, and artists to explore the different jobs they offer as well as taking part in a range of different workshops throughout the morning.



Dance Company 22/23 Season

After auditioning successfully in early September, our 22/23 Dance Company is now complete. They will be working on several pieces for our winter showcase as well as preparing for performances in the local community soon. Congratulations and well done to all the students who auditioned.



Year 7

Well done Year 7 for such a fantastic first term at Castle View Academy! It has been great to get to know you and see you settle into your new school.

I would like to congratulate Isla G, Reily R, Aiden L for their outstanding efforts in the first half term and for managing to make it to the top three of the Epraise chart. Well done for your hard work and determination!

Year 8

Well done Year 8 on a good solid start to the academic year. You returned with energy and enthusiasm ready for learning. You have worked hard in your lessons and have been rewarded Epraise points for all your hard work. The top 3 students in Year 8 for Epraise points are: Bryony M, Faheemha O and Courtney W.

After half term you will be working extra hard as you start preparing for your ROA's that will take place in January. Two weeks ago, we had 15 new year 8 students start here at the Academy and you have all welcomed them into our community and helped them settle in.

Our attendance to date is 90.1% and this will need improving! Attendance, as always, is paramount to success and as the mornings get colder and darker, please ensure you attend every day. Common colds, aches and pains can be managed here at the Academy so please attend school as normal where we can help you to manage your day and ensure you don't miss out on key learning. - Mr Aston

Year 10

Great start back Year 10s; you've made a brilliant start and have really settled into the new term.

Uniform and positive behaviours in lessons have been so apparent, so let's push forward for the next term and remember every day counts towards GCESs. I'm looking forward to working with the new Pupil Year Leads

Year 9

Wow, Year 9! What a fantastic start we've had. It's been so lovely getting to know you all over this half term - I think I've managed to catch all of you individually now. There are so many of you with amazing hopes and aspirations and it's so lovely seeing you working hard to get there.

A big well done to those of you who are continuing to come in on time, every day. It's brilliant seeing you all dressed properly in your uniform at roll call in the mornings. A little nudge to those of you who struggle to get up on time - Year 9 is such an important year and every second of learning counts!

Another well done to our top 3 E-Praise learners: Isabella, Noah and Lillian. What a phenomenal effort you've made! Your determination and resilience are so fantastic - well done you!

Year 11

I just want to begin by saying how much I have enjoyed getting to know you all over this half term and well done for making it through a long few weeks. I appreciate that change can be daunting at the best of times, let alone starting Year 11 with a new Year Leader and relentless reminders of impending GCSE's. Yet the determination and resilience you have portrayed already has not gone unnoticed, and I feel privileged to be in a position where I can support you all to develop and progress further as the year continues. It was also lovely to see so many of you receiving awards in our Celebration Assembly this week – well done to you all.

I hope you all have a great half term. Take some time to rest and reset, but also a reminder that your Mock Exams will be taking place soon after you return. As your Year Leader, I am strongly encouraging you to spend the week wisely with lots of effective revision in amongst your social lives – give yourselves the best opportunity to help us in helping you achieve those grades you need, want and deserve when you open your results in August.

I look forward to seeing you all after a well-earned break on Monday 31st October.