

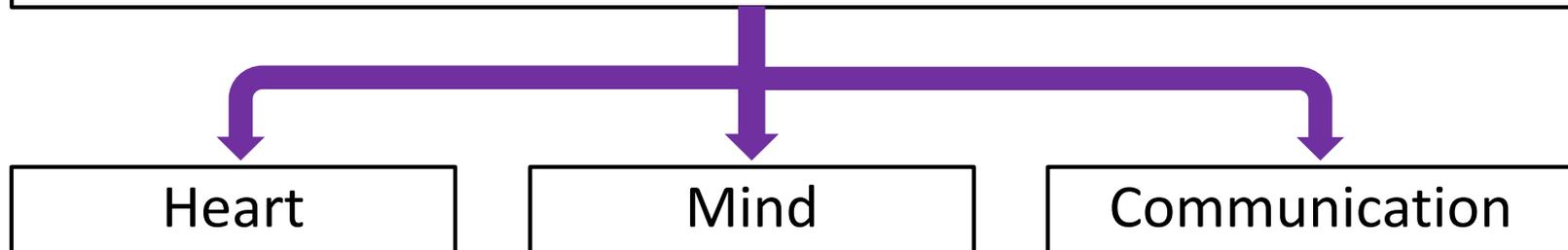
# Word of the Week

Week beginning Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.



# Building the Vision.

To achieve academic excellence, develop character, and raise aspirations for all at Castle Hall Academy



# Heart, Mind and Communication:



The Words of the Week for the next 5 weeks are going to reflect the 5 Rs that form the backbone of Castle Hall Academy's visions and values: Respect, Responsibility, Reasoning, Resilience and Reflection.

The 5 Rs represent the qualities and personality traits that we would like all of our students, along with their parents and the school's staff, to develop and consciously think about in their day-to-day lives.

## **Responsibility**

noun

The state or fact of having a duty to deal with something. The opportunity or ability to act independently and take decisions. The state of being accountable (or to blame) for something.

# In the News:

## **Knife crime: Don't land responsibility on schools, says Ofsted**

Article taken from the BBC News website: 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

Responsibility for rising knife crime cannot be "landed on schools in the absence of properly funded local services," says the head of Ofsted.

Amanda Spielman says schools are not well enough supported when it comes to dealing with knife crime.

Ms Spielman says that schools do not have the ability to address the complex societal problems that lie behind the rise in knife violence.

She also says exclusions are not the root cause of the surge in knife crime.

"Children who carry knives almost invariably have complex problems that begin long before they are excluded," the watchdog says.

# Discuss and Debate -



- To what extent do you agree with the headline of the article?

? Who should be responsible for dealing with the rising levels of knife crime?

? How worried are you about the rising levels of knife crime that are being reported?

? Are things getting better or worse?

? What should schools be doing to develop **responsibility** in their students not just for knife crime but other issues that affect society?