

Catcliffe Primary School

Weekly Newsletter - 14/07/2017



First Day back in September – Wednesday, 6 September 2017

Staff will be back in school for INSET days on Monday, 4th and Tuesday, 5th September. Children will return to school on **Wednesday**, 6th September 2017. Nursery class will start on Monday, 11th September 2017.

Sports Day Cancellation

As you will be aware we had to cancel our school sports day due to the wet and 'soggy' field conditions. We are hoping to arrange this for a date in September and we will keep you informed when this has been reorganised.

Summer Fayre - Friday, 14 July 2017

We would like to thank all who came and made our Summer Fayre the success it was. We do not have a figure as yet but we will let you know next week the amount raised.

Option to pay school online from September!

We are currently trialling a system to pay school online direct to our bank account. The system we are using has a charge of 1.5% per transaction which will be added to any amount and paid for by parents who wish to use the service. The system is run through our text messaging system so parents who wish to use the facility will need to have received a text message in order to make a payment.

Friendly Reminder - Staff Car Park

We'd like to remind parents that walking through the staff car park to get to the school entrance is <u>not</u> <u>permitted</u>. There is no pathway and therefore this should not be used as a walkway or shortcut. The gate to the car park will be locked to prevent access from now on.



Special Picnic Menu-Friday, 21 July 2017

The kitchen staff will be doing a 'Picnic day' on the last day of term. Letters have gone out and replies returned. If you have not returned your reply slip then we have assumed that your child will bring in a sandwich from home.

Milk Money from September 2017

From September 2017 we will be formalising the collection of milk money from pupils. Children are currently eligible for free milk until the age of 5. This means that any child from Y1 to Y6 must pay 15p per day to receive a carton of milk during break time.

A letter went out this week enquiring whether you wish your child to receive milk in school. If milk is requested, a text will be sent requesting the half termly payment. Milk payments will <u>NOT</u> be chased. If no payment is received from parents then no milk will be given.

'Ultra White Collar Boxing' charity Tournament - 15th July 2017

Miss Allington, our 1-1 teaching assistant, is taking part in a charity boxing match on 15th July 2017. If you are interested in sponsoring her we have the Cancer Research sponsor form in Reception.

F1

We had a lovely surprise waiting for us when we arrived to school this week – our butterflies had emerged from their chrysalises! We have fed them sugar syrup, banana and oranges and have observed them closely to see how their tongues stretch out to drink and then curl back up again.

FS₂

FS2 had a fantastic trip to sundown last Friday. The children were all really well behaved. We wish all the children good luck for their new class.

Class 1

Class 1 have had a fun first week - we have been busy learning about pirates! We turned ourselves into pirates and have been describing them using adjectives! We have also created treasure map for our secret treasure.

We also had to say goodbye to the butterflies that we were growing with Mrs Davey in FS2. We were sad to see them go, but it was fun to see them flying!



Class 2

The all new Class 2 have made an explosive start to our learning journey! We have been writing letters to Nemo the fish, to reassure him that he will have a fantastic first day at school and have been drawing on our own experiences to make the letters interesting and exciting! We have also created some beautiful Under the Sea inspired pieces of art, using pastel AND have been working hard in math's to partition numbers and understand what makes up a number!

Class 3

Class 3 - Had a brilliant start in our new class! Class 3 have been blowing Mr Ellis-Jones's socks off with their mathematical understanding and their use of grammatical language in English lessons. We have also planned, designed and start to making some class logos/crests using our embroidery skills!

Class 4

The new Class 4 have settled in amazingly to their new classroom this week! We have got straight into our topic 'I'm A Year 4 Get Me Out Of Here!' with a very exciting experience at the beginning of the week with Mr Butt in 'The Dome', where we travelled to the jungle and experienced the sounds, sights and tastes of the wilderness (some of us were even breve enough to taste 'warthog droppings'). Just in case we were to ever find ourselves stranded in the jungle (again), we have made smugglers vests with many secret pockets to hide essential items. As well as all of the jungle themes work we have still managed to fit in reading, writing, ordering and problem solving with 4 digit numbers in maths.

Class 5

Class 5 have had a fantastic week settling into their new classroom and role as Year 5's. We have been super busy competing in 'Challenge Class 5'. Taking on a series of different challenges to earn points for our team. We have been building marshmallow towers, trying not to laugh and designing a shoe made out of newspaper!

Amazingly, with all this going on we have still had time for maths and literacy. In maths we have been building on all our skills and knowledge from class 4 to solve a mathematical mystery!

Attendance Award

Below are the statistics for attendance and lateness this week.

This week the winning class is Y2 99.3% attendance this week!

Class	Attendance (%)	Late Arrivals	Overall Score
Year One	<mark>97.2</mark>	0	97.2
Year Two	<mark>100</mark>	2	99.3
Year Three	<mark>99.2</mark>	2	98.3
Year Four	<mark>97.7</mark>	8	<mark>95.7</mark>
Year Five	<mark>96.7</mark>	2	<mark>95.8</mark>
Year Six	<mark>93.5</mark>	4	92.7

Learning was disrupted 18 times this week due to children arriving late!

Green indicates that attendance is above the National Average

Yellow indicates that attendance is broadly the National Average

Red indicates that attendance is below the National Average and this needs to improve PLEASE!



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