OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents
With Halloween fast approaching we have a Pumpkin Design Competition, run by the Friends for all the children to enter. We have extended the deadline until after half term so that the children can think about their designs during the week off. Please encourage your child to take part and either enter by paying £1 or by providing a prize for the Christmas Fayre.

On the subject of money – please can I ask that the old £1 coins and £5 notes are no longer brought into school to pay for dinner money. They cease to be legal tender on the 15th October. Many thanks!

Stars of the Week!
Congratulations to this week's Stars – wonderful work and attitudes shown; what brilliant role models we have in our school.

6S – Emmy Allen
6S – Toby Thompson
6E – Katie Williams
6E – Jayden Muzembe
5S – Rachel Lee
5S – Szymon Kurek
5R – Seth Queensbrough
5R – Daniel Carter
4P – Lily Morris
4P – Isobel Dale
4N – William Bowen
4N – Isobel Savage
3C – Jack Dennehy
3C – Kieran Vaugh-Williams
3E – Soloman Thompson
3E – Zofia Gapinska

Attendance Cup
4N won the attendance cup AGAIN for their attendance last week, which was 100% - Well done! *(I think Miss Norton must be doing something special to have such a healthy class!)*

Golden Book!
The following children were put into the Golden Book for amazing work that has astonished, astounded and amazed their teachers. Huge congratulations to the following children:
Thomas Ward
Jayden Langridge
Harry Craske
Zofia Kurek
Daisy Viner
Ava De Cooper Wride
Rohan Day
Tom Dan
Logan Carolan
Rufus Teeuw
Johnny Edwards

Swimming Year 4
Well done to our Year 4 swimmers who have been presented with their swimming certificates. Brilliant work!

25M
Asha Kandola

Reminder of dates up to half term:
- 16th, 17th and 18th October —Assertive Mentoring meetings
- 18th October – National Child Measurement Programme in school.
- Free Dress day supporting Hedgehog rescue
- 20th October—Friday 27th October—Half Term

Maths Clinic
Mrs Wright, lead in Maths will be available in the hall during all Assertive Mentoring Meeting times. If you have any concern or questions regarding maths homework and maths in school, she will be more than happy to speak with you. Please drop in to see her.

Year 6 Prefect Applications
Thank you to all Year 6 Pupils who have applied to be Prefects. I will be reading the applications carefully and organising interviews with myself and Mrs Pellatt (Executive Deputy) for after half term. I have already had the opportunity to look at some and I have to say how very proud they made me feel of our Year 6 pupils. They show real maturity and commitment to the school which is great to see.

Harvest Food Bank Donations
As part of our Harvest Celebrations and Assemblies we are going to be asking for your kind support in collecting food and toiletries for the Norwich Foodbank. This is a charity that we have supported in the past and they are always very grateful for your generous donations. The following items are most needed: long life fruit juice, 500g bags of sugar, tinned sponge puddings, instant mashed potatoes and toiletries. If you would like to donate these non-perishable items please send them in with your children during October and ask them to give them to their teachers. We can then collect the items together in order to organise one big collection. Thank you in advance for your support and kindness.

Water bottles in school
I would like to promote the idea of all children having a water bottle in school. I ask that they have water in their water bottle rather than squash or juice so that they can stay hydrated and should a spillage occur it is easier to clean up! Having a water bottle in the classroom means that the children can drink whenever they need to without leaving the classroom. This enables the teachers to focus on learning without distraction. Water bottles need to be named so that we can return them to their owners when they get lost. Using a sharpie to write on the bottle works quite nicely!

Named School Uniform
Please can I ask that ALL school uniform is named. We have a never ending pile of lost property at school which includes everything from PE kit to pencil cases. I understand that things are going to get lost or misplaced but it is far easier to return items if they are named. We stand very little hope of getting things back to children if they are not.

Football - Old Catton 1 Eaton 5
After beating WWL last week, sadly Old Catton was brought to a halt by Eaton in the cup. Eaton had several players who are part of the Norwich development squad and are a high quality team. Eaton Scored 2 goals in the first half but Sillett scored a nice goal to bring Catton back into the running. During the second half Eaton had the edge and scored another 3 goals. White and Pleasance made their first ever appearance for Old Catton.

Team:	Craske, Udom, Coe, Turner, Dann, Stuknys, Sillett, Viner, Langridge. Subs: White, Pleasance.
Captain	Coe
Man of Match	Craske (GK)

Free Dress day in aid of Hedgehog Rescue
The children had an assembly on Wednesday to raise awareness of hedgehogs as they are sadly in decline. The children were given a leaflet to bring home which explains what we can all do help.

On Thursday 19th October, there will be a free-dress day and the children have been asked to bring in some food to be donated to local hedgehog rescue centres. Suitable food is meaty cat or dog food (not fishy), mealworms or hedgehog food which is available at pet shops. All will be very much appreciated.

Small hedgehog themed items (see attached sheet) will also be available for purchase. All money raised will go to the rescue centres.

NORFOLK children's UNIVERSITY™

OCJS Football team

Please send pictures of CU activities to ocjschildrensuniversity@gmail.com

TALK HOMEWORK & WOW WORDS

Each week we send a Talk Homework activity and 'Wow' Words home and we would be very grateful for your support.

We are trying to help all our children develop excellent speaking and listening skills, which in turn will help them with their writing. "If a child can't say a sentence then they can't write it either!"

Please spend at least 10 minutes talking with your child about the questions below;

This week I would like you to talk about money! We have new £10 and £5 notes now in circulation. If you were to design a new note who do you think would be worthy of having their face on the new design?

Have a careful think about it and see if your family agree with you or do they have different ideas? Discuss and bring your ideas to your classes!

In Big Talk, we use **'WOW' Words** to improve our vocabulary and 'big up' our sentences to make them more interesting!

Our **'WOW'** Word this week is;

Currency

(change, coin, coinage, currency, legal tender, sterling

Please encourage your child to use this word, in the right context, as much as possible.

- The 'Talk Homework' and 'WOW' words will be set every Monday in the newsletter; children will then share their 'Talk' with their class on a Friday afternoon.
- We will encourage the children to use the WOW word throughout the week.

Thank you for your support in helping your child.

I hope you all have a great week! Please come in and speak to me or your children's class teachers if you have any worries or concerns.

Mrs K Connelly.

Hedgehog Sale

Adopt a knitted hedgehog

or hoglet £3 / £2.50

Christmas fair with festive craft

fri 24th Nov

3:30-5:30pm.

gifts

free entry

christmas treats

drinks

raffle

local suppliers producers & artisans

with a sprinkle of christmas magic!

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Christmas Fair:

Following on from the success of our previous events, Old Catton CofE Junior School will be holding their Christmas Fair on Friday 24th November 2017 from 3:30-5:30pm, promoting local suppliers, producers and artisans this time with a good sprinkle of Christmas magic!

All money raised from tables/pitches booked and raffle tickets sold will be donated to 'OCJS Friends Fundraising Group' to go towards equipment and activities to enrich the experience of OCJS pupils.

To book a table/pitch please complete the booking form below and return to 'Old Catton C of E Junior School, Church Street, Old Catton, NR6 7DS, FAO: Cathy.

Please enclose your payment of £15.00 per table/pitch, approx 6x3, (cheques made payable to 'Old Catton Junior School') We will do our best to fulfil any special requirements.

Be sure to book early as tables are limited, thank you!

The Friends of Old Catton Junior School

For further enquiries, please contact: Cathy Fiddy 07872937184

International AVIATION ACADEMY NORWICH

Invite you to our Activities Day

Thursday 26th October 10am-2pm

Join us and discover, what makes an aeroplane fly
Whose paper plane flies the furthest
Build the tallest Tower using marshmallows
Make a straw rocket see it fly and much more

Come on board our Boeing 737

Try flying one of our simulators and soar over Norwich

Children 8yrs – 12yrs, parents, head teachers, teachers, ALL welcome

Refreshments available in our Sky Lounge

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