

OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

Last week was our water themed reading week. It was such a great week of work around the texts we had chosen for the children with excellent work being completed and exciting projects being done around school. Thank you very much if you were able to come along and complete the craft activities with your children. It was great to see so many of you in school working with your children. I am already looking forward to our next reading project in the Spring Term!

Stars of the Week!

Congratulations to this week's and last week's Stars. A wonderful array of different reason for being brilliant!

Last Week

Kimberley Mallett – 6E
Ellie Chapman – 6E
Katie Horrex – 6G
Cara Tipple – 6G
Ben Kimpton – 6S
Caitlin Carruthers – 6S
Sienna Price - 4E
Joseph Sanderson – 4E
Kye Gray – 4W
Amelia Allen – 4W
Harry Craske – 3C
Ben Mallett – 3C
Sam Frizell-Taylor – 3H
Charlotte Pond – 3H



This Week

Georgia Tilley – 6E
Mason Richardson – 6E
Emily Dewing – 6G
Kevin Murray – 6G
Ryan Gray – 6S
Chelsea Cosgrove – 6S
Mahtab Rahman - 4E
Mia Droppert – 4E
Ella Iftimie Ham – 4W
Connor Hanworth – 4W
Daisy Harris – 3C
Szymon Kurek – 3C
Kane Quantrill – 3H
Julia Andres – 3H



Golden Book

This week and last week the following pupils have had Wow moments to be proud of, impressing their teachers and amazing their peers with special moments of brilliance. Well done!

Maisy Jay Harvey
Joe Biggs
Kyran Reid
Kaspija Kasparaite



Sam Sillett
Lilia Wilson
Daisy Phillippo
Yung Loh
Georgia Tilley
Evie Smith

Attendance Cup!

This week's winners of the attendance cup with an attendance of 100% were 6G! Congratulations!!!

Lexia Superstar Awards

Well done to the following pupils for completing levels in their Lexia Programme.

Henry Locke – Level 1
Toby Alderdice – Level 6
Abigail Scantlebury – Level 7
Jackson Dale – Level 7
Serle Bailey – Level 9

Swimming Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils for completing their swimming distances. Fantastic work!

5m Distance

Kye Gray
Sophia Thompson
Connor Hanworth

10m Distance

Sophia Thompson
William Wright
Daisy Viner

25m Distance

Anna Langeskov
Yung Loh
Emily Mallett
Jessica Park
Joseph Sanderson
Daisy Viner

50m Distance

Emily Mallett
Joseph Sanderson
Daisy Viner



Cross Country Certificate of Achievement

Bertie Viner
Sam Sillett
Ben Coe
Rachel Lee
Daisy Phillippo
Maise Miller



Rohan Day
Sam Brandish
Bradley Copping
Ava de Cooper Wride
Daisy Viner
Tanisha Raviraj
Tristan Drean Reilly
Kevin Murray
Joel Frimpong
Emily Taylor
Sophia Harrigan
Emily Dewing
Jeya Kandola
Oliver Drury
Lottie Sanderson
Cara Tipple
Lucy Moscrop



Mrs Wright's Maths App of the Week!

Thinking Blocks: Addition and Subtraction Practice gives children Addition and Subtraction problems and models how they can be answered step-by-step.



(Sorry for the misprint last week in the Maths App section!)

Football Club

Another reminder: there is NO Football Club for the rest of this term. It will resume in the Spring Term. Kind regards, Miss Gedge.

Cross County

On Thursday 12th November, 23 pupils from OCJS took part in the Norwich East Schools Cross Country Event. The children competed against 24 other schools, with over 60 competitors in each event! I was absolutely delighted with everyone's position and more importantly, that we all cheered and supported each other. Everyone tried their hardest and did not give up, even when they were really tired! A special congratulations to Jeya Kandola who finished 2nd in the Year 6 Boys Race and Lottie Sanderson who finished 6th in the Year 6 Girls Race. They will go on to represent OCJS and Norwich East in the county rounds at Greshams, on 30th November! Thank you to all the supporters who came to watch and encourage everyone!

Reading Week Autumn Term

This week we have been completing our reading week. The children have been reading their books and working hard on their projects. It has been a pleasure to see them working so hard and producing excellent work around the texts. Thank you to everyone who came and participated in the Parent Activity on Thursday afternoon. It was lovely to see so many of you in school, working with your children.





War Memorial

On Wednesday 18th November I joined the Skillforce group of pupils at the Old Catton War Memorial to lay a poppy wreath. Ideally we would have laid the wreath on the 11th but with the year 5's from Old Catton and White Woman Lane at Hilltop we thought it was best to wait until everyone was back so that they could do it altogether. The pupils from Old Catton Junior, White Woman Lane and Drayton Junior, read the last post between them and then held a silence for 2 minutes whilst listening to the last post music play. The poppy wreath was laid, containing an envelope full of messages from each of the children to the men and women who have given and continue to give their lives in conflicts all over the world. The pupils all conducted themselves beautifully, showing the utmost respect throughout. I was really pleased to have been able to join them. Thank you to Skillforce for organising.



Dates for next week:

- The whole school (pupils and staff) will be participating in a House Cross Country Event on Wednesday 25th November. Please can you ensure your child has their games kit in school, with appropriate running shoes as well as jumpers and tracksuit bottoms for the event. Many thanks, Miss Gedge.
- Thursday 26th November 4-6pm DISCO! £1.50 entry, glow sticks, snacks and drinks available so bring along some extra money to purchase these.
- Friday 27th November 3:15pm – 5:30pm Christmas Event at Old Catton. Come along to enjoy the stalls and treats laid on by our professional traders and our year 6 entrepreneurs. Free entry! Please come along and support the school. I look forward to seeing you there.

A reminder of last week's letter and details for Friday 27th November:

We are planning to have a **cake stall** alongside serving tea, coffee, squash and non-alcoholic mulled wine. I would be very grateful for all your lovely cake donations to fill the stall with goodies! Please get baking (or buying) and send in all cakes with your child on Friday. Many thanks for your help and support.

In order to make sure that all the children get safely to their adults on Friday 27th November, I would ask that all pupils leave school as normal and go from their classrooms to the gates in order to meet the adults collecting them. If you are coming back into the Christmas Event, please come to the main entrance at the front of school with your child in order to come into school. This way we will know that you are with them at the event and we will be able to make sure that anyone who has not been collected can come back into school with the teachers on the gates. The only children who will stay in school without an adult are the Year 6 children who are running stalls. There is no entry fee on Friday, although we would love you to support the school in buying raffle tickets and goodies from the stalls.

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;

What is the biggest achievement in your life to date? Explain what it is. Why have you chosen this particular achievement? How did achieving it make you feel? What future achievements would you like to aim for?



(attainment, reaching, gaining, winning, acquirement, procurement, realization, fulfilment, carrying out,)

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;

Accomplishment

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.



Please do not hesitate to come into school and speak to me or another member of staff if you have any questions or concerns. Have a great week!

Mrs K Connelly.