

# OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER



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## Dear Parents

I hope that everyone is looking forward to half term – it has crept up surprisingly quickly! Please can I ask that next week the children take home PE kits etc in order for the corridors to be left clear.

We have been trying to use the field as much as possible while the weather has been drier, however this means that the children really need to be changing their shoes. It is still very muddy outside and if they do not change their shoes, the dirt is brought into school. Please provide a change of shoes for the children to use inside and outside.

## Stars of the Week!

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

6R Evan McKenzie  
6R Emmanuel Onyewuchi  
6E Ana Chettleburgh  
6E Tyler Bailey  
5JS Abigail Castelino  
5JS Oliver Bradfield  
5GS Maddy McKail  
5GS Emilio Williams  
4N Lola Gilman  
4N Finley Cardis  
4C Phoebe Fuller  
4C Lincoln Wright  
3E Dexter Walton  
3E Miri Wiltshire  
3C Lauren McKenzie  
3C Kacper Gorczyzewski



## 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:

### Lorcan Mutter (twice!)

Erin Langeskov  
Tabitha Bates  
Oscar Oliver  
Benjamin Pereira  
Zuzanna Zdan  
Ruby English  
Harry O'Neill  
Dylan Howard-Sirdar  
Elliot Freezer  
Isla Gent  
Tyler Bailey

## Attendance Cup

**5JS** won the attendance cup for their attendance last week, with an attendance of **98.62%** - Well done!

## Swimming Year 4

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

**5m** – Isobella Chapman, Kayleigh Pettican

**10M** – Josiah Brick, Isabella McDonald, Finn Dann, Oliver McKail, George Dickerson, George Morgan, Cody Lee, Hanna Gapinska, Benedict Coates.

**25m** - Finn Dann, George Dickerson, George Morgan, Hanna Gapinska, Benedict Coates

## Key Dates for this Term

Week Beginning 10th February —Assertive Mentoring meetings. Appointments will be made for you to see your child's class teacher to discuss progress, achievement and attainment to date

Monday 17th February—Friday 21st February—Half Term  
Wednesday 26th February, Thursday 27th February, Friday 28th February —Year 4 Residential Trip to Holt Hall

Thursday 5th March—World Book Day! Come to school dressed as a character from a book—get creative with your costumes

Week Beginning Monday 9th March—Sport Relief Week—details to follow

Thursday 12th March—Disco Years 3/4 5:30-6:45pm  
Years 5/6 6:50-8:15pm

Wednesday 25th March—Year 5 Cathedral and Mosque Trip in Norwich

Thursday 26th March— Easter Service at St Margaret's Church Year 3/4 9:30am

Easter Service at St Margaret's Church Year 5/6 2:00pm  
Parents invited to attend the service

Monday 30th March—Year 6 Cathedral and Mosque Trip in Norwich

Tuesday 31st March —Celebration Assembly 9:00am—by invitation only please

Thursday 2nd April—Friday 17th April—Easter Holiday

Monday 20th April—Staff and children back to school for the Summer Term

## Assertive Mentoring Meetings

Our Assertive Mentoring Meetings are taking place the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> February; Letters have been sent home and emailed to you this week. This is to enable you to book your appointments with your child's class teacher. Booking an appointment is important for you to find out about your child's progress and achievements in school. We look forward to seeing you all there.

## Holt Hall

Please don't forget to pay your final balance by 14<sup>th</sup> February.

## Open the Book

The 'Open the Book' Collective Worship this week told the story of the battle for Jericho. The Hebrews, with Joshua as their leader because Moses had died, had walked through the desert and arrived at the city of Jericho. The city was heavily fortified but the Hebrew soldiers walked round the city many times and blew their trumpets and the walls came crashing down. The children enjoyed being the walls and pretending to come crashing down. The children were encouraged to think about any problems they have and how they could be solved. This story promotes an understanding

of the school's Christian value of 'Hope', and reminds the children that they can get help with any problems they have.

# 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!"

If you could have any superpower, which would you choose? Please talk about why you would choose it and how you would use this power?



*Our 'WOW' Word this week is*

## Powerful

(having great power or strength)

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

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

- The 'Talk Homework' and 'WOW' words will be set every Friday 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.**