

OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

What a busy couple of weeks! Year 4 Holt Hall trip, author David De Souza visiting school and world book day! We still have many more things going on in school so please make sure you read all the up and coming events on the newsletter. Thanks

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 Megan Field
6R Jack Stone
6E Ayden Webster
6E Sam Frizell-Taylor
5JS Sam Malsen
5JS Amelia Wicinska
5GS Logan Carolan
5GS Claudia Brown
4N James Wright
4N Tabitha Bates
4C Lewis Hambling
4C Zofia Gapkinska
3E Mollie Stone
3E Ryan Monaghan
3C Poppy Wilshaw
3C Dexter Hodgkinson



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:

Jayden Langridge

Asha Kandola

Ellie Gall

Evie Brittain

Phoebe Harvey

Kyan Batterbee

Jacob Delf

Attendance Cup

6E won the attendance cup for their attendance last week, with an attendance of **99.61%** - Well done!

Maths Champions

Congratulations to our Maths Champions who have completed their Times Tables Master Sheets

Florence Whales

William Ramsay

Ben Foley

Key Dates for this Term

Thurs 14th March - Disco yr 3/4 5:30-6:45pm

Thurs 14th March - Disco yr 5/6 6:50-8:15pm

Fri 15th March - Comic Relief Appeal

Mon 25th March - Luke Temple author visit

Wed 27th March - Luke Temple author book signing

Tues 2nd April - Easter Service at Church yr 3/4 9:30am

Tues 2nd April - Easter Service at Church yr 5/6 2:00pm

Thurs 4th April - Celebration Assembly 9:00am invite only

Mon 8th April - Easter holidays begin

Tues 23rd April - Staff and children back to school

Comic Relief

On Friday 15th March, we will be taking part in a number of activities here in school to raise money for Comic Relief.

Non-School Uniform: Children will be invited to come into school wearing Non-School Uniform. The theme for our Comic Relief Non-School Uniform Day will be: Red! As well as wearing something red, please feel free to come into school wearing your Red Noses or with Comic Relief head-wear or face paint! - **There will be a 'fine' of £1 for wearing Non-School Uniform.**

Wet Sponges: Back by popular demand! There will also be the opportunity to throw wet sponges at members of staff during Friday's break time. **The cost will be 50p for 3 sponges.**

Help at the School Disco

If you could help out at either the year 3/4 (5:30-6:45pm) or year 5/6 (6:50-8:15pm) disco, on Thursday 14th March, please let the office know, either by phoning, dropping in or sending an email. We would really appreciate your help to make these events run as smoothly and successfully as possible. Many thanks in advance.

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March 2019

It was fantastic to see so many children dressing up as their favourite characters from a range of genres to honour World Book Day 2019. Having the opportunity to celebrate reading is such a pleasure and it was wonderful to hear the children talk so passionately about books that they enjoy to read. As well as the array of imaginative costumes, we were able to sell cakes to help raise money towards our school book collection. A total of £67.10 was raised from the Cake Sale which will go towards buying therapeutic books for our Rainbow Room.

We would like to say a very big thank you to all parents and children who took part in World Book Day 2019, either through dressing up or baking and buying cakes.

Miss Emrick and School Council



Year 4 Holt Hall Residential

We asked some of the children who went to Holt Hall to explain what they did there and why they enjoyed it.

The Green Man

In the 'Green Man' we went into the forest and looked for birds. We found unique trees that looked like a rabbit, a nose and an ear. In the forest we played some games and listened to the story of the Green Man. On the way back to the hall we collected greenery for our own green man. We made our cool green men and women with expressions on their faces. We really enjoyed it. *Amelia-Faie, Kayden and Caleb*

West Runton Beach

For the first time we took part in an off-site activity and went to West Runton Beach. We wanted to see how the organisms in the rock pools were adapted to live there. We found lots of creatures as well as some fossils. We were very lucky to have a really sunny day to visit the beach.

Orienteering

We all had lots of fun doing the orienteering. We each got into pairs and got told what to do. Then we went off with a map and looked for orienteering posts and clipped the sheet when we found them. Later we all got a compass, a map and a whistle and we set off on a BIG search for posts all across the Holt Hall grounds. *Summer*

Survival Skills

The last activity our group did was survival skills. First me and my group went into the forest, we went past lots of trees until we got to a place where there were three shelters. Next to them was a fireplace and a few logs to sit on. We talked about what you needed to survive. We finished the shelter with rope and materials. *Zofia K*

We were taught how to build a fire. After that we went to collect sticks for the fire, they had to be dry and dead. We had to collect three types of sticks, breakfast sticks (they were thin), lunchtime sticks (about the size of a pencil) and dinner sticks (very thick). *Aimee*

Gutting a fish to cook on the fire was an amazing experience. We took the head off, removed the organs and spine so it was ready to cook. We wrapped bread dough around sticks and baked it over the fire. Finally we got to eat the bread and fish- It was lovely! *Abigail*

Finally... a thank you

To the teachers that came to Holt Hall. We are very grateful to the teachers for bringing us to such an amazing place! They were the best days of our lives. Most of us wanted to stay even longer! *Zofia G and Lewis*

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!"

We use electronic devices (computers, phones, tablets or Games consoles) every day. Do you think this benefits us and how are these devices used positively. Do you think there might also be a downside to electronic devices? See how many good and bad things you can come up with.

Our 'WOW' Word this week is

Technology

(machinery and devices developed from scientific knowledge)

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.

