

OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

As you know, the Summer Term is a very busy time of year for us in school with many extra events and activities going on during the Summer months. I would like to say thank you to all parents who are able to help us out with these events – it really is the case that we can't run some of these things without your help.

The Year 5 and 6 cycling proficiency is due to beginning next week and in the up and coming weeks. We will be unable to run the sessions unless we have 2 parent helpers for each morning and afternoon session. Your child does not need to be taking part in the sessions for you to volunteer your help. Please let the school office know if you are able to help us with any of these sessions. The dates are as follows: 30th April, 1st May and 3rd and 4th May. If your child is taking part in any of these sessions they will need their bike and cycling helmet in school for the correct days. A text will be sent out to parents confirming the days that their child will be taking part. If we need to cancel the cycling due to a lack of parent helpers we will text out to let you know that this is the case. Hopefully this will not be necessary as road safety skills are so valuable and I know that we all want the children to have the opportunity to learn how to be safe on their bikes on the road. Thank you to all parents who have already volunteered to help.

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.

6S – Lauren Aldous
6S – William Orr
6E – Daisy Viner
6E – Rohan Day
5S – Kane Quantrill
5S – Ben Coe
5R – Adam Coates
5R – Keeley Freeman
4N – Sam Maslen
4N – Isabella Blyth
4P – Cole Hodgkinson
4P – Maisie Atkinson
3E – Sophia Andres
3E – Oscar Jackson
3C – Zofia Kurek
3C – Aimee Buttery



Attendance Cup

4P won the attendance cup for their attendance last week. With an attendance of 100% - Well done!

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:

Rufus Teeuw

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Ben Mallett

Millie Slater

Jayden Beattie

Reminder of dates:

Mon 30th April - Cycling Yr5

Tues 1st May - Cycling Y5

Thurs 3rd May - Cycling Yr5

Fri 4th May - Cycling Y5

Fri 4th May - Finnbar's Force (Dress up in Star Wars)

Fri 4th May - Finnbar's Force (Cake Sale)

Mon 7th May - May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)

Mon 14th May (all week) - SATs for Year 6

Mon 21st May - Cycling Yr6

Tues 22nd May - Cycling Yr6

Wed 23rd May - Cycling Yr6

Thurs 24th May - Cycling Yr6

Tues 22nd May - Year 5 Norwich Castle Trip

Mon 28th May to Fri 1st June - Half Term

Mon 4th June – Walsingham Trip Yr 4

Tues 5th June - Whitlingham Trip Yr 6

Wed 6th June - Walsingham Trip Yr 3

Wed 6th June - Whitlingham Trip Yr 6

Thurs 7th June - Whitlingham Trip Yr 6

Fri 8th June - Class Photos all year groups am

Fri 8th June - Sing Up at St Andrews Hall pm

Fri 15th June – ESKA Karate day (all classes)

Thurs 21st June - New Intake Evening Yr 2 7.00pm

Fri 29th June - Yr 6 Fashion Show 10:00am

Mon 2nd July - City Sports at UEA

Tues 3rd July - City Sports at UEA

Thurs 5th July - City Sports at UEA

Mon 9th July - Assertive Mentoring Meetings.

Tues 10th July - Assertive Mentoring Meetings

Wed 11th July - Assertive Mentoring Meetings.

Wed 11th July - Nebula Sponsored Run

Mon 16th July - Sports Day

Tues 17th July - Sports Day rain check

Fri 13th July - Summer Fair

Thurs 19th July - Yr 6 Leavers Show 7.00pm

Mon 23rd July - Celebration Assembly 9:00am

Tues 24th July - Last Day of Term

Wed 25th July to Wed 5th Sept - Summer Holiday

Tues 4th Sept - Inset days (school closed)

Wed 5th Sept - Inset days (school closed)

Thurs 6th Sept - Children return to school

Maths Champions

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

Thomas Hutcheson

Eli Wilshaw

Harley Carolan

Joshua Legg

Coming in and out of school

Please can I politely remind parents and carers that unless alternative arrangements have been agreed with Mrs Connelly for your child to enter or leave the school grounds from the main school entrances, all children should come in and out through the two main school gates. The Recreation Ground Road entrance and the Church Street entrance are our main gates for access. The main school door can be used during the school day if necessary, when we ask that all parents and carers report to the school office. The staff car park is busy and in use constantly during the school day. It is not a suitable place to collect or drop off your child, either on foot or by car – unless arrangements for this have been agreed by Mrs Connelly. This is for the safety of all our pupils and staff on site and we ask that you kindly help us to keep our school as safe as possible. Many Thanks.

Finbars Force

On 4th May we are raising money for Finbars Force by holding a “May the 4th be with you” day. We would like everyone to dress up as their favourite Star Wars character, but don't worry if this is not something your child would enjoy, as they are also welcome to come in non-school uniform that day. I am sure many of you have already heard of this event but I have attached a brief information sheet which gives information on how the money raised is helping charities. I think we will all agree that this is a very worthwhile cause. We are therefore asking for a £1 donation for dressing up or free dress and for cake donations to do a cake sale at lunch time. All cake donations should be brought into school as normal and given to the class teacher on 4th May. We greatly appreciate any help with this.

In addition, Norse are running a star wars themed lunch for the day. This will replace the normal menu on 4th May

'Luke's Lightsaber'

(Chipolata Sausages or (v) Garden Vegetable Goujons)

'Chewbacca Bites'

(Chips)

'BB-8'

(Baked Beans)

'Stormtrooper Sauce'

(Tomato Ketchup)

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'Death Star Pudding with Darkside Sauce'

(Chocolate Pudding with Chocolate Sauce)



SATs Breakfast Club

We will be running the Year 6 SATs Breakfast Club during the week of the KS2 tests. We are aiming to cater for most of the year group! Letters have been sent home so please make sure that you have given consent for your child to attend so that we know, you know, where they are at 8am on Monday 14th May – Thursday 17th May. We are looking forward to having a great start to each day, altogether, before we commence each test. Thank you in advance to all the staff who are helping to make this possible.

Sports Update

On Wednesday we took two teams of 4 to the Norwich East School Sports Partnership School Games Mini-Tennis competition at Catton Grove Primary School. It was a great day and the weather held for us. Both teams had to play a match against all the other schools in their league; a match consisted of four games, one played by each member of the team, so it was a really team effort. Both teams qualified from their leagues to the knock-out stages, which was a great achievement especially considering that this was the first competitive tennis for the majority of our children. Unfortunately neither team finished in the top four so we have not progressed to the final, but the children all played excellently and it was great to see their tennis improve as the day went on. Thank you to Mrs Morgan for driving us there and her support. Well done to all players: William Morgan, Luca Colebrook, Sophie Lee, Olivia Garvey, Tyler Allen, Ashley Owolabi, Asha Kandola, Isabel Chapman.



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;

Over the next few weeks we are doing several things in school for road safety. Please talk about how you think this is important and what you feel is safe on our busy roads.

Our 'WOW' Word this week is

Prevention

(avoidance, hindrance, to try and stop something)

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 Friday afternoon.
- We will encourage the children to use the WOW word throughout the week.

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