

# OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER



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## Dear Parents

Well! What a grotty September week we had last week. The weather, as I'm sure you noticed, was wet, windy and miserable. On this note please could you make sure that the children have a suitable coat with them in order to play outside and a change of indoor and outdoor shoes. At least then when the weather is gloomy the children can still be warm when running about at playtimes. I'm glad to say inside school has been the complete opposite, with bright classrooms and lots of happy children working hard!

## Italian, Art and Football Club

Please expect slips to come home from Miss Emrick, Miss Cooper and Miss Gedge in order to let you know if your child has a place in their afterschool club. If they do not bring a slip home I'm afraid they do not have a place for this half term but will be able to take part at a later point in the year.

## School Council and House Captain Photos

This week the new School Councillors and House Captains have had their photos taken to be put onto the "Wall of Fame" in the foyer.. They also collected their badges in Celebration Assembly and should be wearing them with pride so everyone can see who is representing them in their classes and houses.



## Stars of the Week!

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

**Brandon Acton – 6E**  
**Jack Morris – 6E**  
**Kade Warner – 6G**  
**Alfie Hayward – 6G**  
**Rebecca Batalia – 6S**  
**Jamie Mallett – 6S**  
**Ella Murray - 4R**  
**Joe Sanderson – 4R**  
**Dominic Milton – 4W**  
**Jessica Park – 4W**  
**Aniela Bisby – 3C**  
**Daniel Carter – 3C**  
**Julia Andres – 3H**  
**Kane Quantrill – 3H**



## Attendance Cup

4R and 3C jointly won the attendance cup for their attendance last week, which was 100% in each class - Well done!



## Mrs Wright's Maths App of the Week!

Addition & Multiplication (Unripe Grape)  
Mental Maths Game answering addition and multiplication questions quickly.



## Extra Date For Your Diary - Autumn Term 2015

- **Celebration Assembly Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9am.**

One to add to the list from last week. So that new parents are aware, you will receive an invitation to attend the Celebration Assembly if your child has an award to collect this term.

## Spelling Journals

I became aware last week that some children and parents were confused about how the new spelling journals operated. To clarify any misunderstandings I sent home a letter explaining how to use the journals. I hope this helped and didn't cause further confusion! If you have any more questions please do come and speak to me or your child's class teacher.

## Pet Church Service

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30pm there will be a special Church Service to celebrate your pets at St Margarets Church. You can bring along your pet to the service which will be held in the churchyard. I have attached a flyer advertising the service to the newsletter.



## For the Attention of Year 6

**Hellesdon High School Open Evening** will take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 6-9pm. There will be an introductory talk in the school hall at 6:15pm, which is repeated at 7pm.

**Sprowston Community High School Open Evening** will also take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 6-9pm. There will be a 15 min presentation in the main hall at 6pm. There is also an opportunity to see the school in action during a normal working day from 10:15am-11:15am on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

**Open Academy Open Evening** will take place on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October. Arrival 6:45pm with an address by the Principle at 7:00pm.

(I am not informed by all High Schools of their Open Evenings. I will include the ones that supply me with the necessary information to pass onto you.)

our spare PE kit fund. Please send any items into school with your child and they can give them to their class teacher in order for others to use if needed. Thank you!



please support our  
**Harvest Appeal**

You  Help

us to provide 3 days of emergency food to local people in crisis.

Working with local care professionals to identify those in need, we are able to provide short term relief and support; as well as signposting people to organisations able to help solve the longer term problem.

Please help us to feed the hungry by buying some of the following non-perishable food items:

**We need....**

- Milk (UHT Long Life)
- Sugar (500g - small bags)
- Fruit Juice (Long Life Carton)
- Rice Pudding (Tinned)
- Sponge Pudding (Tinned)
- Tinned Fruit
- Instant Custard (Packets)
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Tomatoes (Tinned)
- Spaghetti (Tinned)
- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Fish
- Instant Mash Potato
- Tinned Vegetables
- Jam
- Snack Bars
- Nappies
- Toiletries

*Thank you*

This poster is based on the designs from Hope Mayes aged 10 from Magdalen Gates Primary School.



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tel: 01463 251733  
Reg. Ltd Co. No. 7051996 Reg in England & Wales  
Charity Number 1143528 Gift Aid No. XT22368  
Patrons: Rt Revd Graham James, Bishop of Norwich,  
Delia Smith CBE & Susan Hill CBE.

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 poster on the left gives you a list of the items that the Foodbank requires. However they have contacted me to let me know that 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 before the end of half term. Thank you in advance for your support and kindness.

**Spare PE Kit Plea!**

I am trying to make sure that we have a good allocation of spare PE kit in each classroom so that children who forget their kit can borrow some spare clothing and still take part. We have plenty of t shirts but are running low on shorts and tracksuit bottoms. If you have any spares that either no longer fit your child or are going begging! I would be extremely grateful if you would donate them to

**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 does Harvest mean to you? Why is it an important time of year? Why do we link it to trying to collect donations for Norwich Foodbank?**



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;

**Plentiful**

*(abundant, copious, ample, profuse, rich, lavish, liberal, generous, bountiful, bumper, flush)*

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.**