# **OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER**



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#### **Dear Parents**

I hope this week finds you well and that everyone has settled back into school after half term. This week we will be thinking about all the brave men and women who have given and continue to give their lives in wars across the world; marking Remembrance day with a 2 min silence at 11am. We will then be dressing up and selling cakes to raise money for Children in Need. Please help us by donating cakes and getting creative with costumes. Thank you in advance!

#### Stars of the Week!

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

Bethany Harding – 6E
William Newell – 6E
Ellie Hanworth – 6G
Oliver Dury – 6G
Ethan Walpole – 6S
Lola Thompson – 6S
William Wright - 4E
Lauren Aldous – 4E
Emily Mallett – 4W
Harry Arbon – 4W
Maisy-Jay Harvey – 3C
Henry Locke – 3C
Alesha Mapiye – 3H

Emadiong Udom - 3H



#### Golden Book

This week, (and the week before half term) 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!

Sam Sillett Sam Frizell-Taylor Julia Andres Rachel Lee **Izaac Turner Izaac White** Jack Slater **Barney Dann** Max English Joseph Biggs **Kyran Reid** Jack Morris **Ben Miller Lucy Moscrop** Erin Greengrass **Brandon Acton** 

Jeya Kandola

Harriet Locke Abbie Chapman Rikin Kumar

**Oliver Dury** 





# Erin Wilde Jamie Mallett Lola Thompson Micah Bailey

# **Attendance Cup!**

For the week before half term the winners of the attendance cup with an attendance of 100% were **4E**! Congratulations!!!

# **Lexia Superstar Awards**

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

James Mallett – Level 9
Kaspija Kasparaite – Level 9
William Orr – Level 6 and 7
Katie Horrex – Level 9

#### **Swimming Awards**

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

#### 5m Distance

Jake Dodds
Bradley Copping
Luke Copping
Rohan Day
Mia Droppert
Ava De-Cooper Wride
Hayley Allen
Kye Gray
Anna Langeskov
Yung Loh
Emily Mallett
Jesscia Park
Joseph Sanderson
Sophia Thompson
William Wright

## 10m Distance

Anna Langeskov Yung Loh Emily Mallett Jesscia Park Joseph Sanderson Sophia Thompson

# Mrs Wright's Maths App of the Week!

Panasonic Prime Smash! A game that enables a fun way to learn prime numbers. 3 levels of difficulty.



#### **Reading Week Autumn Term**

As part of our Reading Week - week beginning the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015 as well as inviting you into school to work with your child on Thursday 19th November between 2:00pm - 3:15pm. We also have an author visiting the school on Friday 20th November. The children will have the opportunity to complete a workshop with Gillian McClure in their year groups on the day. From 3:15pm after school has finished, Gillian is going to be displaying her art work and signing copies of her books. If you would like to come into school to have a look and possibly purchase a book from the author the children have met, please come into school to have a look at her selection of books. I have included a list of titles and prices so that you can come prepared to buy if you so wish. Gillian has given discounts on all the books available on the day to make it more affordable. If you are unable to make this time and would like to send money in with your child to buy a book themselves, please put the money into an envelope and mark it clearly with their name and class. Many Thanks.

#### Book titles available and costs:

Mouse in the House - paperback, (RP £6.99) £6 (discount)

Flood - paperback, (RP £6.99) £6(discount) We're Going to Build a Dam – paperback, (RP £6.99) £6 (discount)

Zoe's Boat – paperback, (RP £6.99) £6 (discount) The Little White Sprite - paperback (RP £5.99) £5 (discount)

Selkie – paperback, (RP £5.99) £5 (discount) Tom Finger – paperback, (RP £5.99) £5 (discount) Bruna - hardback, (RP £10.99) £10 (discount) What Happened to the Picnic? -hardback, £5 (discount) Tog the Ribber - hardback, £5 (discount)



If you would like to see images of these books and read more about them go to the BOOKS page of Gillian's website: www.gillianmcclure.com

#### Children in Need - Friday 13th November

We will be supporting Children in Need this year by

inviting the children to dress up as a Super Hero for the day. This could be a well-known Super Hero or a Super Hero they have created. Please get creative and think about costumes for the day. We ask that the children bring in £1 to donate to the charity.



(Dressing up is optional as we realise not everyone likes to.)

School Council have also said that they would like to run a **cake sale** to raise some additional money. The School Council will organise the setup of the cake sale and sell the cakes at break time.



Please could we ask that donations of cakes are brought into school ready to sell on **Friday**. You car make cakes or buy cakes to bring into school to hel raise money for Children



Need. Cakes will sell for 10p, 20p or 30p (depending on their size.) Please enable the children to bring along some money to buy a cake at break time if they would like to. If you want to hang onto your tins and containers please make sure that you clearly label them with your child's name and class and then we can return them to you easily. **Ready...steady...BAKE!!!** 

#### Hilltop

Monday 9th – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November Year 5 will be taking part in their residential trip to Hilltop – we hope they have a fantastic time. The year 5's who are staying at school will be taking part in a Child in Need baking project, making goodies for the cake sale on Friday, with Mrs Morgan. Sounds like a very fun alternative!

# **Prefect Interviews**

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of November the selected year 6 pupils will be attending prefect interviews. The children who have interviews have all been informed by letter. From the interviews we will appoint this



year's prefects. I wish everyone the best of luck and look forward to conducting the interviews with Mrs Pellatt our Executive Deputy.

# Help at the School Disco and the Christmas Event

If you would like to offer your services and help out at the disco, (Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November 6-8pm) or the Christmas Event, (Friday 27<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon until 5:30pm) please come and write you name down on the two sheets I have placed in the foyer. We would really appreciate your help to make these events run as smoothly and successfully as possible. Many thanks in advance.

### Remembrance Day 2015

In last week's newsletter I put in an incorrect date – many apologies. This Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November is of course Remembrance Day and this will be when the school observes the 2 min silence at 11am. I will be conducting an assembly before hand and then asking



the whole school to observe the

silence together. We have been selling poppies in school and will continue to do so this week as well. Thank you very much to everyone who has donated. We are asking for a minimum donation of 5p per poppy. School Council have been helping to take them around to the classes.

## Match Report – By Miss Gedge Old Catton Junior School vs. Horsford Junior School

On Thursday 5th November, the Year 6 Football Team played Horsford Junior School, at home, in our first

match of the year. Despite the gloomy weather and the dark evening creeping up on us, we were all very excited for this highly anticipated game!

We were incredibly strong from the start; the midfield put constant pressure on their defence and we were rewarded with an early goal from Max Yeomans. We covered the pitch well, kept our formation and communicated brilliantly. Throughout the game, we displayed fantastic teamwork and an abundance of passion and enthusiasm. Ben Kimpton was able to score two magnificent goals before the half time whistle blew. At half time, the score was 3-0. Horsford were persistent and determined; they managed to score a goal early in the second half. At this point, we settled into the game and began to control the pace of the match. We skilfully passed the ball and all the spectators were able to watch beautiful football. We were rewarded with two marvellous goals from Max Yeomans.

Overall, I was blown away by the humble nature of the team – this really meant more to me than winning! It was wonderful to see both teams shake hands and congratulate each other on their effort and hard work. A really promising start to the year and I cannot wait for more fixtures in the Spring Term! Plus, I thought you all looked fabulous in your new kit!

Well done: Max Yeomans (Captain), Cameron Walker, Ben Horth (Vice-Captain), Jeya Kandola, Owen Tuttle, Sam Leverett, Evan Arthur, Ben Kimpton, Jack Morris, Kade Warner, Oliver Drury, Charlie Arbon, Brandon Acton and Kade Warner.

Old Catton Junior School (5) vs. Horsford Junior School (1)



# 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;

"Lest we forget"
What does this mean? Why is it so important that we mark and respect the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month

at 11 O Clock? Why do we wear a poopy as a symbol of remembrance?



(commemoration, memory, recognition)

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;

#### Remembrance

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.

