OLD CATTON NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

We wanted to say a warm "Welcome Back!" to all our families. It has been so good to have everyone in school this week. The classrooms, playgrounds and corridors are once again full of the buzz, chatter and laughter of all the children; we have all missed this so much since January.

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The children have come back well and settled into their lessons, in most cases eager to get back into their work and learning. A huge well done to all the children who have come back with a brilliant attitude to getting back into being in school. We have loved seeing you, hearing all about your time away and most importantly easing you back into the routine of school. We are all so proud of you for adapting to another new situation – we knew that you'd be able to manage the change and take it all in your stride and this is what you have shown us you can do. Keep up the brilliant work!



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.

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Honey Charlton

For great art work as part of the sometimes I feel book.

Ronnie Goddard McClure

For working hard and not giving up during his tricky watercolour work.

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Naomi Hughes

For making an excellent start at Old Catton. For setting a great example to others and working extremely hard in lessons, completing beautiful, thoughtful work!

Yvie Fisher- Clayton

For an excellent board game in English. Yvie worked independently creating a colourful board game with upright counters based on the book Gregory Cool.

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Willow Gent

For your positive attitude since returning to school. You have worked exceptionally hard in all of your lessons, especially in Maths where your work on bar graphs has been brilliant! Keep up the good work.

Zuzanna Zdan

For your amazing attitude since returning to school. Your effort in all of your lessons this week has been exceptional, but particularly in English. The short story you have produced is amazing! Keep up the good work!

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Elisa Walker

Elisa has come back to school with a fantastic attitude, a lovely smile and caring demeanour. It has been a delight seeing her work so hard! Well done!

Poppy Clements

Poppy has worked exceptionally hard in English this week, ensuring all of her work is completed to a high standard and is beautifully presented. Great work, Poppy!

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Hollie Harvey

For absolutely smashing your first week back! Hollie has been working really hard in all of her lessons, which is fantastic to see. Keep it up!

Nicole Warner

For settling well into your first week back. You've been working hard and thinking carefully in your lessons, all with a smile on your face!

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William Ramsay

For his excellent work in English and maths this week. He is such an asset to the class!

Dexter Hodgkinson

Dexter has read his work out loud, showing his wonderful ability to choose words carefully—what an inspiration!

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Elliot Freezer

For fantastic efforts researching what life is like on a Tudor ship and using this information to create a really super diary entry as a Tudor soldier. I was so impressed with your detailed writing and engagement. Well done.

Oliver Bradfield

For great engagement in your journalism work in English this week. I've been pleased to see you listening carefully in class, contributing ideas and thinking carefully about your newspaper writing. Well done!

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Ashley Bates

For making a positive return to school following Lockdown, it's been great to see a smile on your face this week.

James Wright

For showing excellent teamwork skills in PE this week. His team worked together brilliantly to solve problems and complete the challenges. Keep it up. World Book Day. You all looked fab! We had fancy dress costumes galore, including War Horse, Mary Poppins and Alice in Wonderland, as well as children coming in their cosiest, reading outfits. It was a lovely way to make our first Friday fun!

Here are some of our brilliant photos!



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:

December entries!

Lola Body Finley Cardis Zoe Frimpong Hanna Gapinska Sam O'Malley Erik Ristache Joshua Tidd Summer Webster Alani Lawrence Henley Olds Kacper Gorczyczewski Dexter Walton

Week Beginning 08.03.2020

Chloe Chapman Casey Webster Emilia Bentley Cameron Feetham Jamie-Lee Goddard McClure Jacob Carrington-Smith

Times Table Masters!

Well done to the following children who have completed their Time Table Challenge Tests up to 12x12. Brilliant work.

Finn Bunter Dylan Howard Sirdar Caleb Ssemwanga Ben Foley Catherine Baker Eliza Rahmen Emilio Williams Harry Reed Finley Chen





Parking Plea!

I have been asked to politely remind everyone about the issues involving parking around school. Please can everyone be mindful of where they are parking their cars when dropping off and collecting their children from school. If it is possible for you to walk or park slightly further away from school, please do so. We all need to work together to make sure that we are keeping all the children safe at these busiest times in the day. Many thanks for your help and support.



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Please can we ask that if your contact details change, you update them with us at school. Having the correct phone numbers, email addresses and home addresses is vital to us being able to contact you regarding your child, in an emergency or to send you information. If you are unsure that your details are up to date, please give the office a call and Mrs Queensborough will be happy to check them with you. Many thanks.

Communication with Teachers

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During lockdown, Class Teachers have been contactable via email, in order to hep you with questions and queries that may have popped up. Now that we are back in school, with all the children attending fulltime, we ask that you revert back to the normal channels of communication if you wish to make an appointment to speak to your child's Class Teacher, or an alternative member of staff.

In the first instance, please email or telephone the school office. Mrs Queensborough will be more than happy to organise a time for the appropriate member of staff to call you back at a convenient time. All staff are now committed to their timetables, back in the classrooms, with the children. This means that they will need to contact you at a time when they are not teaching. Please understand that their focus needs to be on teaching the children. They will be happy to contact you outside their teaching commitments.



Homework - commencing after the Easter Holidays

While we will be encouraging all the children to keep up with their reading and practice their spellings, we will not be setting any additional homework until after the Easter Holidays. We want the children to be able to settle back into the routine of school without extra homework for the moment. After Easter we will be setting weekly Maths along with spelling homework and 15 minutes of reading, 5 times a week, to be completed by all children. Many thanks for helping your child to complete their homework and listen to them read.

Many thanks for your understanding on this matter.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Connelly