

Le Cateau Keeping In Touch



2023/2024 Edition #2 - 21st September 2023

Routines Underway

We have had a big push this week on daily routines. Pleasingly, the vast majority of pupils are back underway and know what the expectations are in the classroom, at break times and for extending their learning.

School has been a very busy place!

We have also had a fire drill today - the children were amazing and knew exactly what to do!



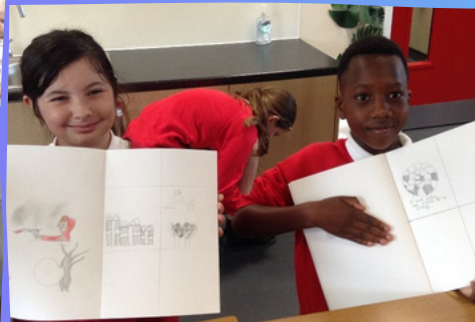
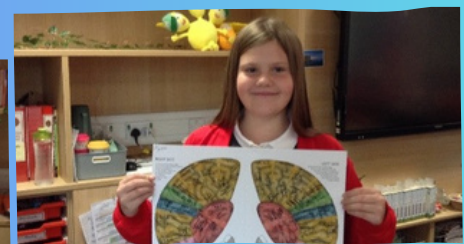
This week pupils will learn that their brain is an organ and that it has many functions. They learn that the brain controls most of what we do and that, it is an amazing thing!

Neuroplasticity: To formulate a basic knowledge of the concept of neuroplasticity i.e. That the brain can grow and change when you practice and work on something. When we do something or learn something, neural pathways are created in our brain. Each time we repeat the activity, the neural pathway or connection is made stronger and it gets easier for us to complete the activity.

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Happy
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Having fun on My Happy Mind Launch Day



Have a look at a few of the children
doing some fantastic Nepali dancing
by clicking the link below.

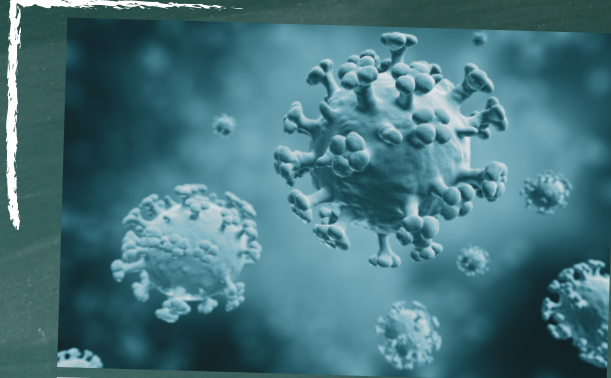


Nepali Fun

Flu Vaccinations

Along with today's KIT, you will receive a letter regarding the annual flu immunisation programme. It is essential that you OPT IN for this if you wish for your child to receive the flu immunisation for this winter.

Immunisations will be administered on **TUESDAY 3rd OCTOBER**



A reminder that the Le Cateau PE Sport Hoodies are for PE ONLY.

They should not be worn as a replacement for a school jumper or cardigan.



A range of After School Clubs for this half term are now OPEN for sign up. Details have been shared via Arbor.

School Times

We are having a real push on getting the school day underway on time.

Lessons START at 8:45am. Please be in school before this time.



Open Events - Reception Starters in 2024



Is your child due to start school (Reception) in September 2024?

We have a number of Open Events planned during the Autumn Term for parents to come and look at what we have to offer.

Appointments are available during the day on;
Tuesdays - 26th September, 17th October, 28th November

Thursdays - 5th October, 26th October, 16th November

After School sessions (4pm - 6pm) available on;
Thursday 12th October
Tuesday 7th November

Pupil Absence

Really useful guidance about pupil absence can be found here...

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

This week's attendance award goes to...



For all the latest info...

www.lecateauprimary.co.uk



From Foundation Stage 1



Next week in FS1

We will continue to read 'Monkey Do' by Allan Ahlberg and other books about monkeys and animals.

- Monkey puzzle
- Dear Zoo
- Giraffes can't dance
- The Lion Inside

We will be experimenting with banana and custard messy play and trying out edible banana slime. We will be counting bananas and singing five little monkeys jumping on the bed.

Shout outs to...

The rainy weather this week has meant putting on wellies and waterproofs. Everyone has been trying really hard to have a go at doing this by themselves.

Things you need to know...

Forest Schools will be taking place every week Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon. Please check the weather and dress appropriately. EPIC-Everyone painting in class. Each week we will be painting together; we are trying to collect old adult t-shirts to use for aprons. If you have any, please give them to a member of staff.

From Foundation Stage 2



Next week in FS2

Next week in literacy we will be continuing with lots of activities based on 'What the ladybird heard'. We will be making 'wanted' posters and making marks or writing initial sounds. In maths, we will be making comparisons between a range of objects and sorting them depending on their colour, shape, size, texture or orientation. In P.E children continue to develop throwing and catching skills through a range of activities and games.

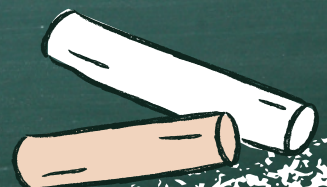
Well done to the following people this week...

Well done to all of the children in FS2 for continuing to learn new routines and for trying hard as we began our literacy and maths lessons!



Dates & Messages

Please ensure ALL of your children's clothes and bags are labelled. This allows us to get lost items back to the right child. As the weather changes, please put spare clothes (and socks!) in your child's bag, as well as waterproofs and wellies.



Year 1 News...

Looking ahead to next week...

In maths next week, we will continue to focus on our knowledge and understanding of numbers to 10. We will look at ordering numbers to 10, alongside developing our understanding of 'one more' and 'one less'. We will also continue to focus on number bonds to 10.

In our writing, we are going to look at the traditional tale of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We will compare it to the more modern story 'Goldilocks and Just the One Bear'. We will apply our phonics knowledge to our writing, creating simple words and phrases.

Weekly special mentions to...

1E - Ralph, Teddy, Pippa, Eva
1C - Misum, Grace



Things to know...

Outdoor PE is on Tuesday and indoor PE is on Thursday.

Your child will soon be coming home with Autumn 1 common exception words to learn. Please look on seesaw for further information.

Year 2 News...

Messages and dates...

Harvest Festival - Friday 14th October
Y2 will lead this assembly. More information will be sent out soon.

Children should be reading three times per week as a minimum and please remember to sign their reading record. Due to completing phonics daily, your child will need their book and record with them every day.

Please ensure your child's uniform and PE kit is clearly labelled.

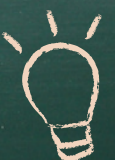
P.E days - Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)

Next week in Year 2...

In English, we will be re reading the Tiger Who Came to Tea and rewriting our own story from this. In Maths, we will be learning to compare numbers from 0 to 100 using $>$ and $<$ signs.

This week's stars....

Star Butterfly of the Week - Jale
Star Bluebird of the Week - Lucas H
Well done to you both - keep up the great work :)





What is going on in Year 3?

Next week in Year 3 we will be learning about different stone age homes and learning how to greet each other and ask someone else's name in French. In computing we will be using software called scratch and finishing the first chapter of place value in maths before we move on to addition and subtraction.

Shout outs to...
3R
Darcey, Navyata, Isabella, Amber
3H
Victoria, Mia, Mitchell, Leyla
Reminders to parents
Half Term break up on Friday 27th October.

Updates from Year 4



What is happening next week?

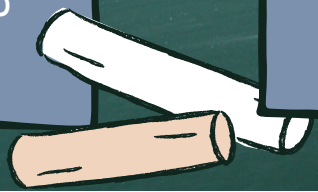
Next week we will be continuing to write character descriptions using our work on adjectives and similes and text analysis. In Geography we will be further exploring climate change in relation to the Arctic and exploring the inhabitants of this area. In History, we will be developing our knowledge of what an Anglo-Saxon village might have been like. We will be continuing developing appropriate skills through fun games in our Rugby coaching and we will continue with sports hall athletics. We are looking forward to exploring circuits in Science. We will be working on the five times table for fluency and will introduce TT Rockstars. In French, we will move on from the face to learn about other body parts. We will begin our computing, working with creating Scratch quizzes.

Messages and dates...

We will be sending weekly spellings home for the children to learn, children will be tested on these each Monday. Please remember that there is a meeting on 28th September to talk about the proposed Hadrian's Wall visit.

This week's stars....

4JH - Raijeli, Harley, Ollie
4EH - Rosa for her good creative writing, Evie for always trying hard





Year 5 Latest...

Next week in Year 5...

We will be continuing our theme of The Vikings and researching more about how they lived.

We will look North America in geography and continue with months of the year in French. We are building our independent reading and encourage everyone to read at home as much as possible!

Dates and messages...

PE -

Pupils need to bring their kit into school on a Wednesday.

Pupils can come to school in their PE kit on a Friday.

Shout outs to...

5W Sameep for amazing Scientific knowledge

5S - Emmie and Luke for their artwork

5A - Archie W and Isla K for their focus and independence

All about Year 6

Next week, we will be...

In maths we are moving onto calculations which involve all four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication & division).

We are researching the city of Manaus, which is situated along the Amazon River. We will take a microscopic look at Bullet Ants which are found in the Amazon Rain Forest and sketch them using tone and shade.

This week, we have been impressed with....

6RH:

Skye - Engagement with learning

Emily - always ready to learn

Lilly Mai - listening skills

Caleb - Always doing the right thing

6JH:

Cali and Jack - brilliant home learning

Jacob, Maizie-Leigh and Mason - a really positive attitude to school

Robert - super Geography knowledge

Skyla - pupil of the week

Things you need to know...

PE:

Monday - outdoor

Wednesday - Indoor

Please remember pupils should come to school in uniform, with their PE kit in a bag.

Marrick Residential Meeting 16th October 3:15pm in the Year 6 block

Half Term break up on Friday 27th October.

