# Le Cateau Keeping In Touch



2023/2024 Edition #6 - 9th November 2023





# This week's message...

We have had a busy first week back in school and look forward to joining together tomorrow, Friday, for our Remembrance Service led by Year 4. Please join us if you can on the school field - 10.30am for a 10.45am start!

This week has seen the Royal British Legion paying us a visit to tell us about the important work they do.

Now that it is much darker and the weather is turning, please make sure your children have the right equipment including a coat for outdoor play!



Celebrate

yourself and

your qualities



#### Celebrate!

This week the children have been exploring their character strengths. They have also been celebrating other peoples special qualities.

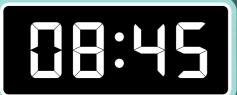
Scientists have discovered that people have 24 character strengths. We possess all of the character strengths but they feature in different amounts in different people. This is what makes us unique! Imagine a bag of pic 'n' mix sweets. They are all different, with different appearances, flavours and tastes, but they are all great in their own way. It is a bit like this with humans! Our Happy Mind *Celebrate* module has grouped the character strengths into five categories to help children explore further over the next few weeks. These are:

- love and kindness
- bravery and honesty
- exploring and learning
- team work and friendships



This week's attendance award goes to...

5 Adventurers
with
100% Attendance



PLEASE arrive at school ahead of time....the school day STARTS at 8:45am.

We are really pleased that our whole school attendance rate is currently well above the National average at 96.7% - well done to all!

We still have a small number of pupils not getting in/regularly missing school and forgetting to let us know. Please make sure you tell us if your child is ill before school starts.

#### **Governor Vacancies**

The Parent Governor Election closes at 4:00pm on Friday 10th November. If you haven't placed your vote then please follow this link; <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/1kxHXpJhgr">https://forms.office.com/e/1kxHXpJhgr</a>

#### Flu Vaccinations

On Thursday 30th November there will be a catch up clinic for the pupil flu immunisations. If your child still needs this, then please book it via this link: <a href="https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire">https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire</a>

If you cannot access the link, and need a paper form then let us know.



school field as we take time to reflect as a community

Our service will be led by members of Year 4

Refreshments will be available after the service Please enter via the gate at the bottom of the school field (near the Oak tree)





At this year's Christmas Fair we would like each year group to offer a Christmas hamper to be a fabulous raffle prize at the fair.

Each year group will have a colour hamper to prepare. Please donate items that match the following colours:

Nursery - green

FS2 - purple

Y1 - gold

Y2 -silver

Y3 - pink

Y4 - red

Y5 - yellow

Y6 blue

All donations should be sent into school by Tuesday 28th November.







# WE ARE RECRUITING PLAY ASSISTANTS / MIDDAY SUPERVISORY ASSISTANTS

10 HOURS PER WEEK

RELIEF / CASUAL CONTRACTS

PAYPOINT: GRADE B / SCALE POINT 2 COMMENCING: AS SOON AS POSSIBLE



Interested and want to apply?

For further information please contact Susie Warriner, School Business Manager regarding the role.

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# From Foundation Stage 1

Next week in FS1

This week we will be reading 'The Very Helpful Hedgehog' by Rosie Wellesley.

You can listen to the book here

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=VDsmfLtVn3g

We will be making our own hedgehogs using different materials. We will be thinking about the ways that we can be helpful and the ways that other people help us.

To develop our mathematical skills, we will be counting hedgehogs and apples

We will making some delicious apple crumble.

Shout outs to...
This week we have all been trying really hard to put on our own wet weather clothing. Well done FS1. Keep on practising with your wellies and waterproofs.

Things you need to know...

Forest Schools sessions will continue to run on a Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon. We will be heading into the cold and wet months; please make sure that your child has the right clothing for these sessions.

# From Foundation Stage 2

Next week in FS2
Next week, in literacy, we will be reading the story 'Fabulous Pie'.
The children will be writing a list of ingredients for their pie. We will also be making our own pies to try. In maths, we will be identifying 1 more and 1 less than numbers up to 5. In PE, the children will be dancing. They will be exploring moving their bodies in different ways.

Dates & Messages

Indoor PE is every Monday. As we are getting into the colder, wetter weather, the children will need waterproofs and wellies. Please remember to send your child's reading book and reading record into school with them daily.



Well done to the following people this week...

FS2C - Olivia,
Bobby, Aierton
and Corin FS2LB
- Luna, William B
and Toby FS2T All the Tigers for
joining in with
their phonics
groups and
working hard to
learn their new
sounds.



### Year 1 News...

Looking ahead to next week...

In maths next week, we will conclude looking at subtraction within 20. We will also review both addition and subtraction facts.

In our writing, we will be looking at a new book: 'The Wolf's Story'. We will create character descriptions based on our understanding of the story and write a diary entry from the perspective of the wolf.



1E - Ralph, Arlo, Ezra

1C - Evie, Louie



Things to know...

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

Please remember to practice the common exception word spellings at home.

#### This week's stars....

Star Butterfly of the Week - Daisy for excellent attitude to learning in all subjects.

Star Bluebird of the Week - Hosanna for always making sensible choices, good behaviour and being very helpful.

Well done to you both - keep up the great work

#### Year 2 News...

Next week in Year 2...

In English we will look at a new adventure story called 'Where the Wild Things Are.' Next week is National Maths week so the pupils will be involved in some lovely activities to celebrate mathematics. In PE, we will develop skills in effective running techniques.



#### Messages and dates...

Christmas Art

Please, please save any food jars that you use and bring them to school as soon as possible. Y2 will be making Christmas lantern candle holders. If every child brings a jar into school, this would be amazing.

Please can we also have donations of pinecones for the jars that we will be making-some acorns would look lovely too.
Save the date: You are invited to our Christmas lantern workshop at 2:15 on Wednesday 22nd

of November.



#### What is going on in Year 3?

Shout outs to...

Freddie, Dougie, Elroy Keren, Lily

Reminders to parents Stone age day is 20th November. PE is on Thursday and Friday.

Next week in Year 3

Next week in Year 3 we will be learning about magnets in science and printing in Art. In English we are learning about speech and inverted commas and continuing the column method for subtraction in maths. Next week is antibullying and have a lesson on cyber-bullying.

# Updates from Year 4

#### What is happening next week?

Next week we will be reflecting on this week by writing a reflection on our experience of Remembrance. We will then jump back into our Harry Potter theme in English and look at some setting descriptions.

In History, we will learn about the last of the Anglo-Saxon Kings and in Geography, we will take a look at different alignment of the Anglo-Saxon Kings and in Geography, we

will take a look at different climate zones which will tie in nicely with map work for

the coming half term.

RE will find us exploring the Hindu festival of Diwali. In D/T, we will be thinking about healthy, balanced diets. William Morris will be our theme in Art over the coming weeks as we copy his work and make repeating block-print patterns. In Science, we will complete our topic on electricity by exploring conductors and insulators. We will then be moving onto States of Matter and will look at what we mean by solids, liquids and gases.

#### Messages and dates...

Please do join us for the Remembrance Service on Friday morning. It would be lovely to see as many faces there as possible.

Please do send in any cake donations with your child on Friday morning.

There has been a slight change to our PE days. PE days are Wednesday afternoon for outdoor and Friday afternoon for indoor.

#### This week's stars....

4JH: DOJO Champion - Lukas Harrier's of the day: Emilie,

4EH: Barsha for working so hard this week. Hedgehogs of the day are Molly, Evie, Lottie and Aida.



# Year 5 Latest...

Next week in Year 5

Next week We continue our work on Vikings. We are finding out more about how they lived and the battles for power. In French we will learn how to talk about our families and in PE we start building basketball skills. Swimming starts this week!

Dates and messages....

Swimming on Thursdays. Outdoor PE is now on a Tuesday afternoon. Reading books to be brought in every day please.

Look out for homework activities on SEESAW and choose those appropriate for you.

Shout outs to...

Theo and Emilie-Rose in 5A for their great work on spotting people using their strengths!

5W - Darcy and Murron for their perseverance in maths

5S - Scarlett and Ralph for their all-round efforts

#### All about Year 6

Next week, we will be...

We will continue writing our formal letters, but this time as a very disgruntled parent!

We will continue looking at multiples, factors and prime numbers, whilst continuing to work on our arithmetic skills.

In history, we will be looking at the number system the Maya Civilization used.

Shout outs to...

6RH: Ellie - My Happy Mind work Dolcie - lightbulb moment in Maths with Long division. Jacob - a much improved attitude to learning

6JH: Ava: for always having a positive attitude and working hard Isabelle: for excellent Geography work Leone: for getting every single Long Division question correct, and in record time!

Things you need to know...

Crucial Crew - 23rd November: £5.00

Water Safety

Heathy Child Team

• Internet Safety

Drugs and Alcohol Awareness

Anti-social Behaviour

This all happens within the normal school day.

PE:

Monday - outdoor NO WEDNESDAY PE as Friday - swimming (payments through Arbor please) Please remember pupils should come to school in uniform, with their PE kit/swimming kit in a bag.