

Le Cateau Keeping In Touch



2023/2024 Edition #7 - 23rd November 2023

Mr M's Weekly Message...



There have been lots of exciting things happening around school this week and outside school too. Yesterday our Y3/Y4 football teams won their matches at a local tournament, today Y6 have had a fun morning at Crucial Crew. Moving around school there are the lovely sounds to be heard too - FS2 practicing for their annual Nativity performance and this morning's singing assembly was amazing with some pupils really enjoying a great singalong!

The results of the recent Parent Governor elections is now confirmed - Mr Ashley Hutchinson topped the poll and will become our new Governor shortly and we look forward to him starting in this role. We would like to extend our thanks to the other two candidates who offered their services too.

The Christmas Fair is coming up very soon - Friday 1st December - we are raising funds for outdoor play provision so please support this event. Classes are busy prepping for their stalls with exciting plans for some very festive fun!

Extra Curricular Clubs - all of these finish next week with the exception of two clubs - Lets Get Fit Club will finish on Thursday 7th December and Cheerleading Club will finish on Tuesday 12th December - this will include a performance for parents at 4pm.

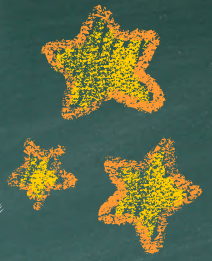
Reminders:

- If your child is poorly and going to be off school, then please leave a message on the school absence line - 01748 832292
- Please phone us by 2pm if you need to let us know of changes to end of day pupil pick up arrangements

Wishing everyone a lovely end of the week, and a great weekend too!



Celebrate



There are 5 key character strengths that we have been learning about which are:

- 1 Love and kindness
- 2 Bravery and honesty
- 3 Teamwork and friendship
- 4 Learning and exploring
- 5 Love of life and our world

Some fantastic work by year 6!...



This week...

Some of us are approaching the end of the celebrate module. Here is what each year group has been learning this week:

- FS1 have been listening to stories which help them recognise 'superhero powers'.
- FS2 have been exploring 2 new character strengths or 'superhero powers' which are; Learning and exploring, and love of life and our world.
- Year 1 have been learning about which character strengths they use the most and why it is important to use them.
- Year 2 have been focusing on how to grow their character strengths.
- Year 3 have been focusing on the character strengths they use the most and why they are important.
- Year 4 have been thinking about the importance of spotting our character strengths and how to use them in different ways.
- Year 5 have been learning about the 5 character strengths in detail and looking at how to grow them.
- Year 6 have been developing strategies to develop strengths.

Next week...



Next week some year groups will be finishing the celebrate module, and others will be coming to the end. The children will be exploring how to use strengths non different situations.



This week's attendance award
goes to...
5 Wolves
with
98.7%

YEAR 4 PARENT SESSION
Thursday 18th January 2024
3:30pm
School Hall

**A session for ALL Year 4 parents regarding the National Multiplication
Check that the children will complete later in the school year.**

$2 \times 2 = 4$
 $3 \times 1 = 3$

Year 3/4 Football Festival

Massive congratulations to our girls and boys football teams who competed against other local schools and came away with multiple wins.

Special mention to Andi W for showing amazing strength and resilience in defense, and Darcey N for some brilliant saves . Well done to our goal scorers with over 15 goals scored.



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:

<https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire>

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





SESSIONS / COFFEE MORNINGS

9AM - 10AM

SEND PARENT DROP IN

HERE AT LE GATEAU CP SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2023,

WEDNESDAY 6TH, 13TH DECEMBER 2023





Christmas Hampers



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.

SCHOOL

Christmas

MENU

Roast Turkey, Christmas Chipolatas
and Seasonal Stuffing

or

Cheesy Leek Croquette

Mrs Claus' Roast or Mashed Potatoes

Rudolph's favourite Gravy

A Merry Mix of
Seasonal Vegetables

The Elves' Hand Decorated
Chocolate Orange Christmas Cookie

Date

20th December
2023

An online booking form has been sent to you via
email.

From Foundation Stage 1



This week we will be reading 'The Gingerbread man'.

You can listen to the book here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YoQyyB5xvLk>

We will be baking Gingerbread men and enjoying eating them with hot chocolate. This will involve lots of maths; weighing and counting out the correct amount of ingredients. We will be focussing on the language more, less and the same.

We will be acting out the story and focussing on the different characters.

Shout outs to...

All of the children have been experimenting with our new painting station. The children have been squeezing out their own paint and washing up after themselves. They have done a great job of pouring just enough paint and taking responsibility for cleaning up. Well done everyone.

Things you need to know...

- Look out for details of our Christmas singalong; if you have not received anything please talk to a member of staff.
- After half term 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

We will be continuing to practice our nativity. Children are doing well with their singing and any speaking they may do, as well as learning Makaton signs to some of the songs! In maths we will begin to learn and recognise language associated with 2D shapes - particularly squares and triangles.

Dates & Messages

All children now have a school book bag. This is to be brought to school every day with their reading record and reading/story book inside it. FS2 Nativity performance dates:
- 13/12/23 at 2:15pm
- 15/12/23 at 9:30am

Well done to the following people this week...

Well done to all children in FS2 for using some fantastic vocabulary this week, particularly in literacy



Year 1 News...

Looking ahead to next week...

In maths next week, we will focus on grouping 2D shapes and making patterns using common 2D shapes.

In our writing, we will be reading a book called 'Prince Cinders' - a spin on the traditional tale of Cinderella!

We will look at magnetic vs non magnetic materials in science, as well as studying an advent wreath in RE and making our own rolling stamp designs in art.



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.

Weekly special mentions to...

1E - Thea, Teddy, Rose

1C - Isabelle, Jackson, Mason

Year 2 News...

This week's stars....

Star Butterfly of the Week - Drew for excellent manners and always being helpful

Star Bluebird of the Week - Dotty for great PE skills.

Well done to you both - keep up the great work 😊

Next week in Year 2...

We will find out who the Wild Thing is in our adventure story. In PSHE and computing, will be learning about how to keep ourselves safe online and following the NSPCC resource pack called PANTS. In DT we will begin sewing skills.



Messages and dates...

PE days next half term:

Indoor PE - Tuesday pm (indoor kit needed - t-shirts, shorts and appropriate footwear for indoor athletics skills)

Outdoor PE - Friday am (outdoor kit needed - t-shirt, jogging bottoms, jumper and trainers. Pupils can come into school wearing outdoor PE kit on Friday for a 9am start. Bring school uniform in school bag to change into after the lesson.



What is going on in Year 3?

Next week in Year 3

Next week in Year 3 we will be learning about multiplication in maths and moving onto retelling what we did on stone age day. In art we will be printing and looking at identity and passwords in computing.

Shout outs to...

3R
Beth, Ethan, Jacob B, Maleka,
Hannah
3H
leyla, Ariana, Mabel, Kiyomi

Reminders to parents:

Remember PE kit is needed on Thursday and Fridays.

Updates from Year 4

What is happening next week?

Next week we will continue with setting descriptions in English, including different grammatical structures (expanded noun phrases etc). We have really enjoyed this so far with great imaginative settings. The children are working on using vocabulary to 'paint an image' in the reader's mind. After learning about the Battle of Hastings, we will look more closely at the Bayeux Tapestry in History. For Art, we will explore the work of William Morris.

In Science, we will explore more about gases and in Music, we will be learning some classic songs such as 'It's a kind of Magic' by Queen! Please ask your child what they have really enjoyed learning in the week.

Homework: Spellings and times tables (TT Rockstars etc). For spellings, the children should ensure that they have looked up the meaning of the words they do not understand. The children have all been given a log in for times table rockstars which was stuck inside their reading record. If they have trouble getting on, please let us know and we can help. This is a great resource to support times table fluency.

Messages and dates...

Harry Potter Day - Tuesday 12th December

PE days are Wednesday afternoon for outdoor and Friday afternoon for indoor. Please ensure the children have the correct kit with them on the day. We will be going outside in all weather and we had some children with shorts on.

This week's stars...

4JH: DOJO Champion - Samuela & Teddy
Harriers of the day - Isabella, Isla, James

4EH: Poppy and Rosa for being so patient and waiting on the Hedgehog of the Day certificates.



Year 5 Latest...



Next week in Year 5

For PE, we will start to incorporate our dribbling, passing and shooting skills into mini games and focus on teamwork and communication. Year 5 are continuing their hard work on handwriting and spellings and applying this across the curriculum.

Dates and messages...

Christmas fair (Friday 1st December) so please bring in a yellow item for the hamper.

Outdoor PE - Tuesday afternoon
Swimming - Thursday morning
Spare socks for the wetter day or wellies to change into.
Reading as often as possible!

Shout outs to...

5W - Skylar for becoming more confident in her times table recall and achieving full marks on her times tables test!

5A - Charlie A for his multiplication work and recognising partitioning to support 2 digit by 2 digit multiplying!

5S - Tyler and Charles for fantastic persuasive letters using brilliant language and reasoning!

All about Year 6

Next week, we will be...

We will be looking at simplifying fractions in maths and then moving onto comparing and ordering fractions. Keep learning those times tables as they support all areas of fractions.

We are busy designing and making lots of 'goodies' for you to buy from the Year 6 stall at the Christmas Fair on Friday 1st.

In Science we will be learning about the evolution of humans and animals.

Things you need to know...

Christmas Fayre - 1st December 2023

Shout outs to...

6RH:

Ethan - always trying his best
Tyler - Work presented to a high standard
Emily and Lola - great peer work.

6JH:

Lewis - for fantastic dribbling skills in basketball and scoring a great basket!

Taraji - being an enthusiastic class member and answering lots of questions

Maizie-Leigh - Superlearner of the week

Beth and Tim - always working hard and contributing to class discussions