



KEEPING IN TOUCH



Message from Mr M...

Christmas Cheer has definitely hit Le Cateau with various decorations around school.

We are excited to about our Christmas Fair taking place tomorrow and hope to see many of you there!

The event is organised by Friends Of Le Cateau and will be raising money to improve the playtime facilities and equipment for all of our children so your support is helping all of your children.

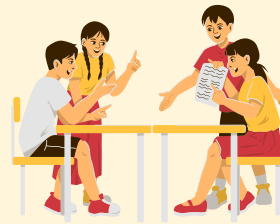
And keep your eye out for more info about our human sized advent calendar!

After School Clubs

A reminder that this week is the final week of after school clubs.

From next week, all children will leave school at the normal time of 3:15pm.

Thank you to all the children who signed up for clubs this term, look out for our new club booking form in the spring term



North Yorkshire Council - School Admission Number (PAN) Consultation

The Local authority, as the school admissions authority, has asked us to share with parents and carers a notice regarding the consultation on the admission numbers for schools.

This consultation is available to view on the website at [Proposed school admission arrangements 2026-2027](https://www.northyorkshire.gov.uk/consultation/Proposed-school-admission-arrangements-2026-2027) | [North Yorkshire Council](https://www.northyorkshire.gov.uk/) and comments may be submitted via the following link

<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/rs8dl5>

Festive messages

This week we have been lucky to have Chris Kaye from BFBS Radio in school.



Ollie, Teddy, Hannah, Mairi and Skylar were selected to record some messages for our Service Personnel who will be overseas this Christmas.

Listen out for them on BFBS Catterick radio station on





WhatsApp!!

We have been made aware of a number of worrying incidents involving WhatsApp messaging among our pupils. Without doubt, there are potential dangers associated with it including some wider based concerns in the community.

While WhatsApp can be a useful tool for communication, it poses risks, including exposure to inappropriate content, cyberbullying, and privacy..

We encourage you to have open conversations with your child about safe online practices and to monitor their usage of the app. Here are a few tips to help ensure your child's safety:

- **Set Age-Appropriate Boundaries:** WhatsApp is intended for users aged 16 and above therefore, our pupils SHOULD NOT be using it. Consider discussing alternative communication methods.
- **Encourage Open Communication:** Talk to your child about their online interactions and encourage them to share any concerns they may have.
- **Privacy Settings:** Review and adjust privacy settings together to limit who can contact them and view their information.
- **Report and Block Features:** Teach your child how to report inappropriate messages and block users if necessary.

It is vital that we all work together to keep our pupils safe online.

Primary Teaching Discovery Day

"We're opening our doors to prospective Red Kite trainees on Tuesday 3rd December, so that they can see a typical day in a primary school first-hand. If you know anyone who is keen to start teaching primary, then this would be a fantastic opportunity to learn more about what it involves and how the Red Kite course is delivered. There will also be tips for completing the teacher training application form from the Red Kite team. To sign up visit [Red Kite Teacher Training - Primary Teaching Discovery Day](https://www.redkiteteachertraining.co.uk)





Supporting ALL to Thrive



Help us understand the educational experiences of children with additional needs – survey

What is the research?

Researchers from Oxford Brookes University are conducting research exploring the educational experiences of children from Armed Forces backgrounds who have additional learning or support needs and/or disability.

This part of the study is looking into the educational experiences of any school-age children with additional needs. We'd love to hear from you, whether or not you have any connection to the Armed Forces.

What would it involve?

Completing an online survey which will take between 10 and 25 minutes to complete. The survey will be open from October to 31 December 2024.

Why participate?

You would help us to understand what is and is not working for children and their families, and the support needed for all children to thrive.

Who can participate?

Parents or carers of a child aged 4-18 with additional needs in UK education or MOD schools overseas, whether diagnosed or not (including children who are currently out of school for any reason).

How do I find out more?

Email clairelee@brookes.ac.uk
Tel: 01865 603398
Or scan QR code above.

www.sattproject.org.uk

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SIMPLY NATIVITY

FS2

Tuesday 10th December at 9.30am
Wednesday 11th December at 2pm
and Thursday 12th December at
9.30am

Children in the Nest will be
performing at the Wednesday
show only.

Drinks and a mince pie/yule log will be available at each performance and Parents are kindly asked to make a donation towards our nativity event and refreshments.

Any funds received will support the purchase of additional learning resources for the children.

Click [here](#) to reserve your seat!

LE CATEAU CHRISTMAS FAIR



STAFF CAR PARK
29 NOVEMBER 2024

3:15-5PM

FRIENDS OF LE CATEAU ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR NEW
OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL

CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA - HAMPER RAFFLE
GLITTER TATTOOS - GAMES - POCKET MONEY STALL
FIJIAN AND NEPALESE FOOD STALL - CAKES - HOT DRINKS
& SO MUCH MORE!

PRICES RANGE FROM 20P - £3
CASH ONLY



**HO HO HO!
GUESS WHO IS
COMING TO THE
CHRISTMAS
FAIR**

**£3 TO TELL HIM YOUR
CHRISTMAS WISHES
AND RECEIVE A GIFT**





RAFFLE

£1 per
entry



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SILENT DISCO PACKAGE

WORTH OVER £125!!!!

All money raised will go to the Friends of Le Cateau

Winner will be announced on the
“Luna Silent disco” Facebook Page

www.lunasilentdisco.co.uk





YEAR 6 PRESENT

Children's TABLETOP SALE

THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER
3.15PM - 4PM

Don't miss out on lots of bargains including teddy bears, jigsaws, toys, books and musical instruments!

We have a wide range of second hand goods available for affordable prices - starting at only 20p!

All money raised will fund our Year 6 playtime project.

HELD IN YEAR 6 BLOCK



FS1 & 2 Year Olds



FS1 and Caterpillar children will be starting to get ready for Christmas; they are currently singing songs and getting ready to perform for their families.

Next week we will be sending out letters to let you know your child's costume.

The performances will take place on
Wednesday 11th Dec at 10am
Friday 13th Dec at 2pm

This will be a singalong so please come along and join in with the children and adults.



Reception Class School places for September 2025

A quick reminder to apply for school places online on the North Yorkshire Council website at www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions The applications close on 15th January 2025. If you have any queries, please email schooladmissions@northyorks.gov.uk

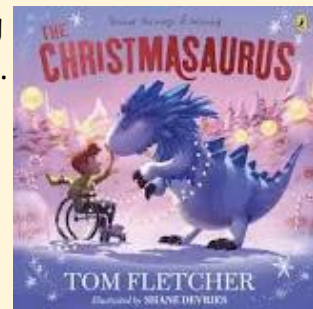


FS2 Bear, Cheetahs & Hippos

Next week in FS2 we will continue rehearsing our Nativity and will be practising getting changed into and out of our costumes quickly.

Look out for the poster of facebook and email to book your seats.

We will begin some Christmas activities, making cards and a tree decoration. In Literacy, we will read the picture book 'The Christmasaurus' by Tom Fletcher and in Maths, we will look at 'Father Christmas needs a wee'.



On Friday, we will still be having Forest School and as such, please ensure that all children have the appropriate clothing in school.

News from the Nest

The children in the Nest will be continuing to have sensory experiences and finding out about hot and cold.

They will be beginning to get ready for Christmas and will be putting up a Christmas tree and hanging decorations that they have made.





Year 1/2 Ewes, Chameleons, Rainbow & Bluebirds

Next week we will be writing diary entries across the week. We will be using past tense verbs.

Year One will be using 'and' to connect two sentences together and writing sentences that flow.

Year Two will be using rhetorical questions, exclamation sentences and adjectives to make their diary entries more exciting.

In Maths, Year One will be subtracting the ones from the tens when we don't have enough ones.

In Maths, Year Two will be adding two, 2 digit numbers using the part, part whole method.

Special Shout Out

1 / 2 E Ralph, Thea and Ellie

1 / 2 B Izzy, Logan

1 / 2 C Jackson, Khyren, Aierton

1 / 2 R Kelera, William B, Lakshya





Year 4 Butterflies & Tigers



We all enjoyed a lovely calm start to the week on Monday and really liked having an opportunity to have breakfast snacks. The children have enjoyed lots of drama activities in English to help them to understand both sides of an argument. By the end of the week, pupils will have decided reasons for and against helping a character in Friend or Foe. In Geography, we have looked at human and physical geographical features so that we can compare two capital cities, next week.



Next week, the pupils will visit a Care Home in Richmond to perform some songs that we sang at the Remembrance Service and some traditional Christmas carols.



Well done!



Congratulations...

Butterfly of the Week: Florence for having excellent confidence in maths and giving some tricky problems a go!

Tiger of the Week: Rory for excellent examples of different types of jumping to avoid a ball in a game of dodgeball.



We are close to finishing the story Friend or Foe. Please ask your child what they have enjoyed about the story and what they think will happen in the last few chapters.

DON'T FORGET

Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday pm, so pupils need to bring PE kit into school on those day and wear uniform in the morning.



Year 3 Hedgehogs & Impressive Llamas

Year 3 have produced some lovely Stone Age acrostic poems to conclude our Stone Age topic. They have used fabulous vocabulary to portray their understanding.



In PE we have enjoyed looking at tactics, this includes teamwork, leadership and communication. The children have really enjoyed playing active versions of 'noughts and crosses' and 'rock, paper, scissors'.

Well done to...

Teddy and Lucas H for fabulous teamwork in making their pneumatic toy bat!

All of year 3 for persevering with their Maths!

Don't forget...

Mrs Hirst's class need to bring a lidded box for Monday to make their pneumatic toys.

Please come to school in your PE kit on Monday with your school uniform in your bag. On Wednesday please come in your school uniform with you PE kit in your bag.



Year 5 Adventurers & Wolves



Year 5 have had a very successful week, including making wire bird ornaments, playing badminton in Risedale and writing up their excellent Viking Sagas. We have also been applying our new multiplication skills and methods to real situations and problems.

Please note, next week (Friday 6th December) is our last session of swimming after that we return outdoor PE.

A big well done this week goes to Jackson in 5W and Teddy in 5A for their resilience and effort in Maths this week.



Year 6 Stars, Hawks & Heroes



Year 6 showed our learning about RESPECT in the KS2 assembly, which included drama, poetry and posters.



**29th November – Christmas Fair (3.15pm start)
12th December 3:15pm – Year 6 table-top sale – more information to follow.**

18th December – Christmas lunch – wear a Christmas Jumper

20th December – last day of school

Shout outs

6JH: Kayden – always working hard and making a super effort

Charles – a brilliant drawing and scientific description of his own invented animal

Jenson – great contributions to English

Tylanni – Super learner of the week

6RH: William. – Always trying his best.

Skylar – Great attitude to learning.

Hezekiah – Super focused in maths when learning about fractions.

6S: Emily and Jamie for confidently changing mixed numbers to improper fractions! Gemma for getting her pen license!

2nd December – Marrick Priory Residential – the bus is arriving at school at 10am for a 10:30 departure – should you wish to wave us off!

Children, please arrive at normal time for registration and parents drop off and sign for medication (in Year 6 block). Please remember a packed lunch is needed for Monday in a backpack (disposable lunch bag is best).

Children staying at school, Mrs Biggins and Mrs Buxton have a fun filled week planned for you all. Please arrive at normal time – Christmas will have definitely arrived for you!