



KEEPING IN TOUCH



Message from Mr M

Another Half Term Complete!

I can't believe we have reached the end of another half term and the half way point of the academic year! It has been another busy term with everyone ready for a well-earned break. School will close at the end of the day tomorrow (Friday 14th Feb) and will open again on Monday 24th Feb.

Raising The Bar

As part of the whole school focus, we have been looking closely at school uniform and ensuring pupils are well prepared. An updated list of PE kit can be found below. Please adhere to this as some children are arriving in school with incorrect kit. Tracksuit bottoms/leggings are not suitable for indoor PE especially when climbing and the gym equipment! Nor are hoody tops as the risk of catching the hood on equipment is much higher.

Attendance

It has been great to see those children with low attendance rates or punctuality concerns improve over the half term. This is really positive and the school attendance rate continues to sit above the national level. Later in the newsletter, I have shared a reminder about the new attendance procedures and thresholds. This information indicates what may happen if attendance levels are poor, if a child has 10 unauthorised sessions in a 10 week period or there are concerns around regular lateness.



School Office Opening Times

8:30am - 4:30pm

Monday to

Thursday

8:30am - 4pm

Friday

Closed for lunch

12 - 12:30pm

Answer machine is
available 24 hours if
needed

100%

Year 5/6 Dodgeball

Well done to our children who took part in the Dodgeball competition at Richmond School



5A Visit Catterick Races

Class 5A had a fantastic time at Catterick Racecourse this week for Race to School.

Thank you to everyone who welcomed us and made our day so much fun!



PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

FIRST OFFENCE

1

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

2

SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after **19th August 2024**.

3

THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.



PE KIT



Indoor PE Kit



Red Tshirt



Black Shorts



Trainers or
Plimsolls

Outdoor PE Kit



Red Tshirt



Black Shorts



Trainers



Jogging
Bottoms



Leggings



Hooded Top

Year 4 Roman Day

Year 4 enjoyed an amazing day as Romans yesterday. We made clocks using Roman numerals, completed some incredible mosaic artwork and had a dress up parade in our school yard.

In the afternoon, we used chopping, grating and slicing skills to prepare a Roman feast, make Roman armour and train to be a Roman Gladiator.



Achievement Assembly



Well done to all the children who were recognised for their effort and hard work in class



Fantastic



KS2 Awards Assembly

Congratulations to all of our award winners this half term

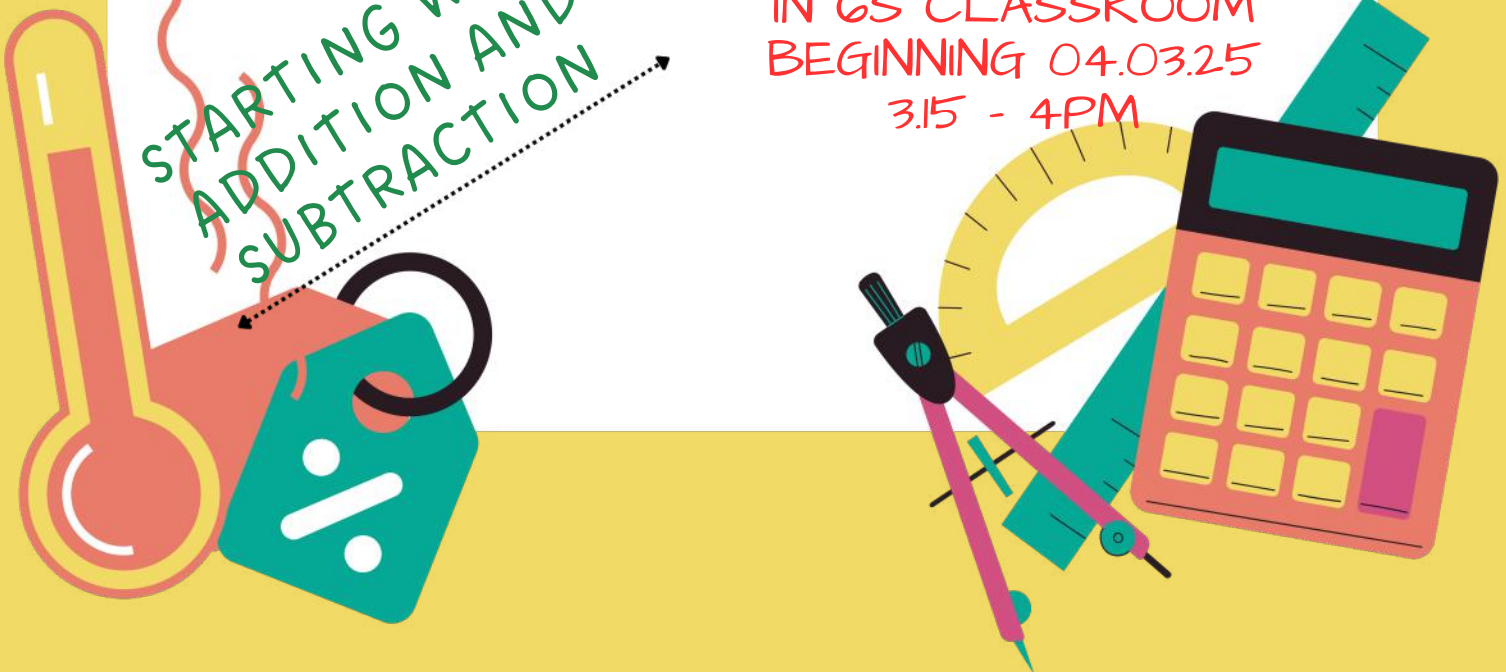




LE CATEAU PRIMARY SCHOOL
BOOSTER
MATHS
CLASSES...
FOR YEAR 5/6
PARENTS!

STARTING WITH
ADDITION AND
SUBTRACTION

HOSTED BY MRS. STEPHENS
IN 6S CLASSROOM
BEGINNING 04.03.25
3.15 - 4PM



ONLINE SESSIONS For Parents/ Carers

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS

For parents/carers of neurodiverse children
(with a diagnosis or awaiting assessment)

**Presented by
NYC Children and
Families Service:
Early Help**



Tuesday 25TH February , 18:00 –19:00
**Supporting you to support your child through
shutdown, meltdown and crisis**

[Click here to join the session](#)

Tuesday 25TH March , 18:00 –19:00
**Supporting you and your child with their
emotional and sensory regulation**

[Click here to join the session](#)

Tuesday 29TH April , 18:00 –19:00
Supporting you and your child with sleep

[Click here to join the session](#)

For more information contact
candfhubhambleton@northyorks.gov.uk or
candfhubrichmond@northyorks.gov.uk

Oriental Museum
Durham University

Pop Up Museum!

Saturday 29 March, 10am–12.30pm

At Le Cateau Primary School

Join us for a **FREE** family-friendly morning of hands-on activities exploring the 1924 expedition to Mount Everest. Enjoy art activities, Nepali games, see amazing photographs from the Bentley Beetham archive and celebrate Nepali culture.

Everyone welcome. No need to book, just drop in.

Free of charge. All children must be accompanied by an adult.



Le Cateau Primary School,
Brough Road,
Catterick Garrison,
North Yorkshire, DL9 4ED



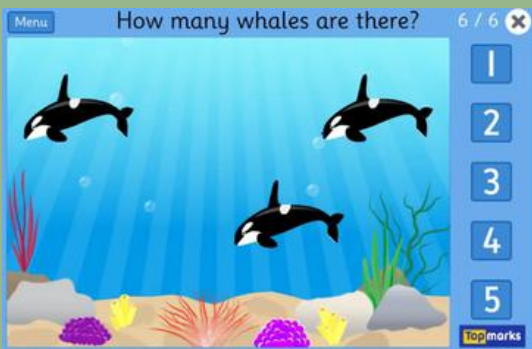
FS1 & 2 Year Olds



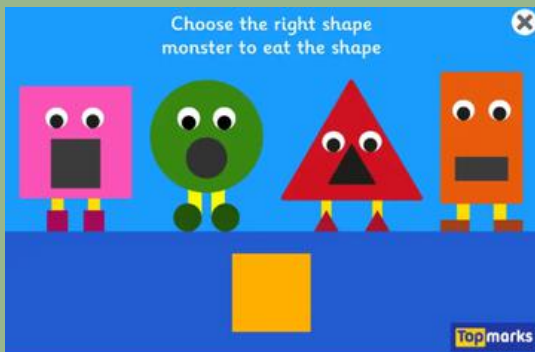
This has been a busy half term for all of the EYFS, we have welcomed lots of new children to the setting and all the children have been enjoying learning and playing together. We hope everyone has a restful half term, we will look forward to seeing everyone for the new half term.

Check out a few games you might like to try.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/underwater-counting>



<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/early-years/shape-monsters>



FS2 Bear, Cheetahs & Hippos

Our 'When I grow up day' on Friday was enjoyed by all of the children.



We want to thank all of the parents who volunteered their time to come and talk to the children and run short workshops.

The children loved being involved in the different activities. This week FS2 have completed a piece of writing, explaining what they want to be when they are older.

We hope you have a lovely half term, and we will see you when we return to school!

News from the Nest



Mrs Clarke and Mrs Thomas would like to wish all the children and their families a peaceful and restful holiday. They are looking forward to seeing all the children in the new term.



Year 1/2 Ewes, Chameleons, Rainbow & Bluebirds

We have had a great half term learning about different explorers from the past and those who have shaped the world we live in today. The children have written some very informative pieces of writing about Neil Armstrong, some of these are on display in the school corridor. The children have thoroughly enjoyed creating Peter Thorpe inspired artwork and designing and making pinch pot aliens.

After the holidays we will be continuing our space topic. We will be researching Tim Peakes and comparing him to Neil Armstrong.

Over the holidays please continue to read with your child and access the times table rockstar app.

We hope you have a wonderful half term.

Special Shout Outs for Y1/Y2

1 / 2 E - Fiona, Len and Cody for super aliens

1 / 2 B - Sangsen

1 / 2 C - Bobby, Rhys

1 / 2 R - Erin, William L

Year 3 Hedgehogs & Impressive Llamas



This week we have been gathering information on Safer Internet Day and spreading the word to other classes on how to stay safe online. We have created detailed information posters and educated the whole school in our assembly. In maths we are moving onto multiplying 2 digit numbers. We are working on using previously learnt knowledge to solve complicated calculations.



Well done

To all of Year 3 for an excellent assembly on Safer Internet Day.

We are now half way through Year 3. Well done for a super start. Have a great half term break.

Don't forget...

The details of our exciting educational visit have been emailed to all parents. There is the opportunity to spread the payments as the account is open on Arbor. Also we are delighted that our swimming sessions start next term. This also requires a voluntary contribution and this enables us to run these fantastic sessions. These are all payable on your Arbor account.



Year 4 Butterflies & Tigers



This week we have been completing lots of activities around our Roman theme. The children had a fantastic fun-filled day on Wednesday for our Roman day; tasting food, making shields and having a go at being a roman gladiator.

In this weeks maths we moved on to simplifying fractions and everyone did a fabulous job with this. This week we have also completed some lovely mosaics in art, the children carefully planned these before making them.

After half-term we will be continuing our Roman theme and looking forward to our trip to Hadrian's wall.



Well done!



Congratulations...

To all of Year 4 for a fabulous Roman day you all got stuck in and had lots of fun.

Don't forget:

- If you need to pay the remaining balance on the Hadrian's wall trip please do so by checking Arbor - reminders have been emailed to those who still owe - please check for this reminder
- Please also check for the email about swimming which starts next half term and we look forward to receiving your voluntary contribution which really helps us run swimming lessons.
- A big thank you for your payments



Year 5 Adventurers & Wolves



This week, 5A had a fun educational visit to Catterick Racecourse. Despite the cold weather, everyone had an amazing day, looking behind the scenes and linking it all back to Maths.

Reminder

Next half term, we will continue with our history theme of 'How trains changed the World,' which will include further visits to Beamish and Local railway museums.

In Maths, we will be moving on to look at decimals and percentages, whilst in Science we start to look at living things and their environments (always a firm favourite amongst the Year 5 pupils).

Our PE days will remain the same, although the activities we do will be changing.



Shouts out this week go to Sam and Imani in 5A for their focus and attitude to learning in class.

In 5W, well done to Lily and Jude for excellent work in their English.



Well done everyone, we are half way through Year 5.

Have a great half term break.

Year 6 Stars, Hawks & Heroes



Friday 7th March – World Book Day – please come dressed for a day on the Titanic: First Class, second Class, third class, crew, boiler room...

We will be attending an afternoon tea on board the Titanic, celebrating the Titanic's maiden voyage. Please can we ask for a £2.00 cash contribution by Friday 29th February, so that the children can make their own sandwiches, scones and cakes to be enjoyed during the afternoon. We may even have a waltz and a jig!

PE:

Monday afternoon (outdoor)

Thursday Morning (Indoor)

**25th February – Parent Maths workshop
3:15 – 4 pm in Mrs Stephen's classroom
(Y6 block)**

10th March STEM week - please start saving any old shoes boxes.

Shout outs

6RH: Skylar, excellent writing

Eroni: working hard in maths

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6JH: Summer for her writing

Lucas: for his writing

6S: Emily Z for brilliant writing of a pub setting description.

Archie Lee - for knowledgeable Science.