

Catshill First School and Nursery

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Fortnightly Newsletter

Value for March: Tolerance

We have learnt that tolerance is showing an understanding of differences. We found out that tolerance is accepting people as they are-regardless of age, gender, interests, race or religion. To help us, we have been looking at how tolerant these characters were of each other! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLdfpBNjdDc



Enjoy sharing this with your family!



Today we have celebrated World Book Day dressed as book characters and Superheroes with reading being our Super Power!! Thank you to Morrisons for gifting us 20 new books for school to encourage and support our super powers. Here are a few photos from our day.





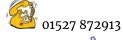


Pets as Therapy

We are really pleased to introduce our Pets as Therapy (PAT) dog, Delilah, who will be joining us every Thursday afternoon to hear a small group of children read. Pets as Therapy is a registered charity who aim to support the health and well-being of communities; working in schools, hospitals and nursing homes. Delilah will be in school every Thursday afternoon from 12th March. If you see her, and she's not busy working, don't be afraid to say hello!













Dear Parents and Carers

World Book Day is one of our special annual events. It is always great to celebrate reading and our love of books. Thank you for making such an effort with the wonderful costumes. We've got more exciting events coming up this term including Sport Relief and Science Week.

I want to assure you that we are being very vigilant with regards to keeping the children's hands clean and making sure that the school is as clean as possible. Mr Essenhigh sent out information earlier in the week and I would urge you to read this if you have not already done so. The letter can be found on our website http://www.catshillfirst.co.uk/2020/03/02/health-update-monday-2nd-march-2020covid-19/.

We thank you all for your support with encouraging the children to wash their hands regularly.

With best wishes

Mrs Georgia Plant

Head of School

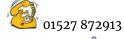
What's coming up at Catshill First School & Nursery?

- ★ Year 4 Visit to Bishops Wood Friday 13th March
- ★ Sport Relief Day Friday 13th March
- ★ Science Week Monday 16th Friday 20th March
- ★ EYFS Assembly Wednesday 18th March
- ★ Mother's Day Event Friday 20th March
- ★ Year 1 visit to Atwell Farm Monday 23rd March
- ★ KS2 Play Tuesday 31st March

What's been happening at Catshill First School & Nursery?

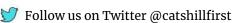
- ★ Pirate Day Year 2 looked fantastic dressed as Pirates on the first day back of term as they started their new topic.
- ★ 1CJ Assembly 1CJ gave us a wonderful assembly on their topic Up, Up and Away with stories and songs about space. The children spoke animatedly about all the facts they had learnt.
- ★ Year 3 to Morrisons The first group from Year 3 enjoyed their visit to Morrison's this week. They were able to see how items are packaged and which plastics and other materials can be recycled. The rest of Year 3 look forward to their visit in the upcoming weeks.
- ★ Wellbeing Champions 8 children from Year 3 had the opportunity to train to become Wellbeing Champions for our school. They are eagerly excited about their new role and will develop this throughout the year to support the school and pupils with the Wellbeing Project.













Appointments

We are seeing a significant increase in children being collected during school hours to attend appointments. We would ask that, where possible, all appointments are made outside of school hours in order that learning time is not disrupted. Evidence of appointments that *must* be carried out during school hours is required ie letters, texts etc and we ask that these brought in to the school office. If evidence is not provided your child's absence may be recorded as unauthorised.



ATTENDANCE YEARS 1 - 4 TARGET 96%					
School Attendance	96.7%	•			
Classes above 96%	1CJ, 2FD, 3BS, 3M, 4J & 4S	•			
Class with Most Lates	4S	2			
Class with Least Lates	1CJ & 1M WITH NO LATES!	•			
W/c 02.03.2020					
School Attendance	97.1%	•			
Classes above 96%	1M, 2F, 2FD, 3BS, 3M & 4J	•			
Class with Most Lates	3M	2			
Class with Least Lates	2F & 4J WITH NO LATES	•			

Letters Home

All letters home can also be found on our website www.catshillfirst.co.uk.

The following letters have been sent home over the past 2 weeks:

- ★ Bishops Wood Visit Year 4 only
- ★ Mother's Day Event
- ★ Sport Relief 2020
- ★ Health Update Covid-19 (Website Only)
- ★ Blackwell Adventure Year 3 only
- ★ Attwell Farm Visit Year 1 only
- ★ EYFS Assembly
- ★ School Council Raffle & Donations

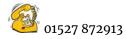


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Dates for your Diary - March/April 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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9th	10th	11th	12th	13th
★ Badminton3.30-4.30pm★ Year 3 visit toMorrisons	 ★ Yr 2 SATs	★ Drama Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm	 ★ Choir Years 3/4 Lunchtime ★ Yr 4 Blackwell Meeting 2:45pm ★ Yoga Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm 	 ★ Gold Book ★ Year 4 - Bishops Wood Visit ★ Sport Relief Day
16th	17th	18th	19th	20th
 ★ Badminton 3.30-4.30pm ★ Year 3 visit to Morrisons ★ Start of Science Week 	 ★ Football Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm ★ Early Years Games 3.30-4.30pm ★ Swimming Year 4 	★ Drama Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm ★ EYFS Assembly 9:05am	 ★ Choir Years 3/4 Lunchtime ★ Yoga Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm ★ Year 3 visit to Morrisons 	★ Gold Book★ Mother's DayEvent
23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th
 ★ Badminton 3.30-4.30pm ★ Year 3 visit to Morrisons ★ Year 1 to Attwell Farm 	 ★ Football Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm ★ Early Years Games 3.30-4.30pm ★ Swimming Year 4 	★ Drama Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm	★ Choir Years 3/4 Lunchtime★ Yoga Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm	★ Gold Book
30th	31st	1st	2nd	3rd
★ Badminton 3.30-4.30pm	★ KS2 Play - details to follow	★ KS1 & 2 to Catshill Methodist Church	★ Last day of term	★ Inset Day - School closed to pupils

Dates to remember Term dates ★ Mother's Day Event - Friday 20th March ★ End of Spring 2 Term: Thursday 2 April ★ Last Day of Term - Thursday 2nd April ★ Start of Summer 1 Term: Monday 20 April ★ May Day Bank Holiday - Friday 8th May ★ Bank Holiday - Friday 8 May Dates for academic year 20-21 can be found on ★ End of Summer 1 Term - Friday 22 April the website calendar. ★ Start of Summer 2 Term - Monday 1 June Please be punctual! ★ Holidays will not be authorised during term Is your child here and on time for time. Please note change to Bank Holiday in May 2020. It is now Friday 8th May.



