



### 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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-2020-covid-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.



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## 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%		
	W/c 24.02.2020	
School Attendance	96.7%	😊
Classes above 96%	1CJ, 2FD, 3BS, 3M, 4J & 4S	😊
Class with Most Lates	4S	😞
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	😞
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](http://www.catshillfirst.co.uk).

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

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

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## Dates for your Diary – March/April 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9th	10th	11th	12th	13th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Badminton 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ Year 3 visit to Morrisons</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Yr 2 SATs Meeting 2:45pm</li> <li>★ Football Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ Swimming Year 4</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Drama Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Choir Years 3/4 Lunchtime</li> <li>★ Yr 4 Blackwell Meeting 2:45pm</li> <li>★ Yoga Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Gold Book</li> <li>★ Year 4 – Bishops Wood Visit</li> <li>★ Sport Relief Day</li> </ul>
16th	17th	18th	19th	20th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Badminton 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ Year 3 visit to Morrisons</li> <li>★ Start of Science Week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Football Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ Early Years Games 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ Swimming Year 4</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Drama Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ EYFS Assembly 9:05am</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Choir Years 3/4 Lunchtime</li> <li>★ Yoga Years 3/4 3.30-4.30pm</li> <li>★ Year 3 visit to Morrisons</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Gold Book</li> <li>★ Mother's Day Event</li> </ul>
23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th
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30th	31st	1st	2nd	3rd
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Badminton 3.30-4.30pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ KS2 Play – details to follow</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ KS1 &amp; 2 to Catshill Methodist Church</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Last day of term</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Inset Day – School closed to pupils</li> </ul>

Dates to remember	Term dates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Mother's Day Event – Friday 20th March</li> <li>★ Last Day of Term – Thursday 2nd April</li> <li>★ May Day Bank Holiday – Friday 8th May</li> </ul> <p><b>Dates for academic year 20-21 can be found on the website calendar.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ End of Spring 2 Term: <b>Thursday 2 April</b></li> <li>★ Start of Summer 1 Term: <b>Monday 20 April</b></li> <li>★ Bank Holiday – Friday 8 May</li> <li>★ End of Summer 1 Term – Friday 22 April</li> <li>★ Start of Summer 2 Term – Monday 1 June</li> <li>★ <i>Holidays will not be authorised during term time.</i></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Please note change to Bank Holiday in May 2020.</u></b> <b><u>It is now Friday 8th May.</u></b></p>
<div>  <p><b>Please be punctual!</b></p> <p>Is your child here and on time for five to nine?</p>  </div>	



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