

# Catshill First School and Nursery

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# Fortnightly Newsletter

### Value for July: Hope

The Values Council hope that you have a good Summer Holiday and stay safe and that you look after yourselves and carry our school values with you always.

As I hand over running the Values Council after four years, I hope that our school values continue to teach our children how to be well-rounded citizens, give them a way in to talk about what makes them special and show them how to make a positive difference in the world. Mr Rivett.

#### RECEPTION VISIT TO WYRE FOREST







Reception children had lots of fun exploring the woods, looking at dens and playing on the park. At lunchtime they had a picnic lunch followed by a walk to the Gruffalo. There was just time for stories in the woods before heading back to the coach.

## Staffing News

At the end of term, after 5 years at Catshill First School and Nursery, Mr Rivett will be leaving us to take up a promotion to Deputy Headteacher at a first school in Redditch. We wish him all the best for his new role and thank him for all the many things he has done for us here.

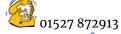
We also say goodbye to Mrs Barker who has secured a permanent teaching post in a school close to her home. She will also be missed and we thank her for her contributions to class IB since she joined us at Christmas.

#### **2F & EYFS Assemblies**

Over the past two weeks we have been treated to not one but two wonderful class assemblies! 2F gave us a lovely treat looking back on everything they have done and achieved in Year 2 with fabulous singing, an amazing exploding potion experiment and sharing their favourite stories.

EYFS gave a colourful assembly following the theme of their topic 'Pirates, Parrots and Portholes'. There was pirate dancing, sea pictures and amazing singing, especially from the parents who knew all the words and actions to Baby Shark!!

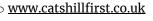














#### Dear Parents and Carers

This is our last full newsletter of the academic year and I would like to firstly take this opportunity to say a huge well done to all the children who have made me so proud, in so many ways, over the past year. When I reflect on all that has been achieved, I know that the year has been a success.

I'd also like to thank the staff who are such a dedicated, hard-working team. I am privileged to work with a wonderful group of people who care so much about the well-being and progress (in all ways) of the children in their care.

Finally, I'd like to thank our parents and carers who support the school in so many different ways. I believe that every step of every child's learning journey is an important one and with the school-home partnership being strong we can get the best for everyone.

With best wishes

Mrs Georgia Plant Head of School

ATTENDANCE YEARS 1 - 4						
TARGET 96%						
	W/c 01.07.2019					
School Attendance	96.1%	•				
Classes above 96%	1M, 1J, 3S, 3BS & 4J	•				
Class with Most Lates	2F	<u>"</u>				
Class with Least Lates	3BS	•				
W/c 08.07.2019						
School Attendance	96.2%	•				
Classes above 96%	1M, 2CF, 3S & 3BS	•				
Class with Most Lates	2F	<u>"</u>				
Class with Least Lates	3BS	•				







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

- ★ Thank you all for coming to our EYFS Sports Morning and KS1 & KS2 Sports Afternoon last week. Congratulations to all our super sporty children.
- ★ Well done to some of our KS2 children who attended the Summer School Games at Bromsgrove School and represented the school brilliantly.
- ★ Catshill Middle School invited our Year 4 children to watch their performance of The Wizard of Oz and what a fantastic show it was!
- ★ Reception Pirate Day what a motley crew of children we had in Reception last week, fantastic costumes, thank you so much for supporting this.
- ★ We hope you were able to get the information you needed at Parents Evening on Wednesday
- ★ 'Thank You' Assembly today our lovely end of term tradition to say a big 'Thank You' to everyone who helps us and gives up their time. Thank you also to the Values Council for making the wonderful biscuits!

## What's coming up?

- ★ Transfer Day Monday 15th July
- ★ Leavers Assembly & Disco Tuesday 16th July
- ★ Nursery Pirate Dress Up Day Tuesday 16th July
- ★ Seeds of Inspiration Book Launch & And Seed Book Signing Wednesday 17th July
- ★ Last day of term Thursday 18th July



# **Bell Boating Regatta**



in the Bromsgrove Schools Bell Boating Regatta yesterday at University of Worcester, Lakeside Campus. They were a credit to the school showing all of our values and were very successful in their heats. A great time was had by all!

### **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:

- ★ School Council Gift Tags
- ★ Year 4 Leavers activities
- ★ Nursery Pirate Party

- ★ Lockdown letter
- ★ School Council Raffle
- ★ Seeds of Inspiration Book Release













## Reports

We hope that you have all had a chance to read your child's report. Please could you return the parents' slip to school, if not already done so, adding any comments if you wish.

#### **After School Clubs**

Reminder that after school clubs have finished this week, there are no clubs next week.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
15 July	16	17	18	19
<ul><li>★ Transition Day</li><li>★ REC 2019 Class</li><li>Visit</li></ul>	<ul> <li>★ Nursery Pirate     Dress Up Day</li> <li>★ Leavers'     Assembly - 9am</li> <li>★ Leavers' Disco -     3:25pm - 5:30pm</li> </ul>	★ Seeds of Inspiration Book Launch	★ Last Day of Term	★ School Closed

### September 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2nd September	3rd	4th	5th	6th
★ Teacher Training Day	<ul> <li>★ Teacher Training         Day     </li> <li>★ Enhanced         Transition (by appointment)     </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>★ Term starts for pupils Y1 - 4</li> <li>★ RL - 8:45-11:00</li> <li>★ RT - 1:00-3:20</li> <li>★ Nursery closed</li> <li>★ Nursery &amp; Rec home visits (as arranged)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>★ Nursery Closed</li> <li>★ RL - 8:45-11:00</li> <li>★ RTY - 1:00-3:20</li> <li>★ Nursery &amp; Rechome visits (as arranged)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>★ Nursery - previous cohort only</li> <li>★ RL - 8:45-11:00</li> <li>★ RTY - 1:00-3:20</li> <li>★ Rec home visits (as arranged)</li> </ul>

#### Dates to remember

- **Transition** Day 15th July (children to new classes)
- ★ Leavers' Assembly and Disco 16th July
- ★ Start of Term Wednesday 4th September

#### Term dates

- End of year: Thursday 18th July
- Start of new year: Wednesday 4th September

<u>Please note that children starting Reception</u> and Nursery may have different start days

Holidays will not be authorised during term time.



# Please be punctual!

Is your child here and on time for five to nine?



Please note change to Bank Holiday in May 2020. It is now Friday 8th May.

Following feedback from parents, we are now using our Facebook page more to share our information for parents/carers. Please look for us and like our page: 'Catshill First School and Nursery'



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