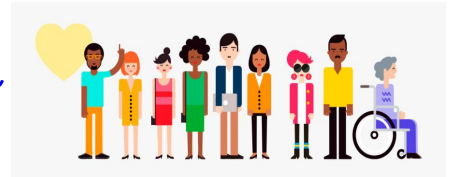




Value of the month: Our value for June is DIVERSITY

Diversity (celebrating our differences) is such an important value. It has been highlighted this week through news stories and we **must, must, must** make sure that we respect everybody's differences and enjoy finding out about the ways that we are all different. We will never accept racism in our school.



Welcome Back!

It has been lovely to see some of our children able to return to school this week. I was impressed by the way that they all managed to follow our new systems and understood all our new safety rules.

I know that not everyone is able to come back and this is a decision for parents to make and I respect all the choices. Everybody's circumstances are different, people need to decide what is right for their child and their family.

Please note that some of our groups are at capacity or near capacity so we may not be able to admit more children.

Our Critical Worker group has grown in the past fortnight and it is unlikely that we will be able to accommodate many more children.

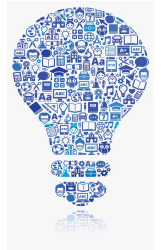
A reminder for those that are coming into school that bookbags do not need to be brought in only a small bag containing lunch/snack.



Quick Links to our Online Out of School Learning

We will continue to update our online learning every week. The tasks are for the children not accessing school and are there as a choice to supplement the learning for those who are coming in for part of the week. Please use the link below to find next week's activities (updated on Friday)..

[Out of School Learning](#)



Remember, if you want to catch up with something that was set before, all previous weeks' learning has moved to the year group pages.

Other pages include our video stories and challenges [Story Time](#) or activities to support well-being [Well-being](#). Our SEND page has more links for pupils with Special Educational Needs. <https://www.catshillfirst.co.uk/send/> The Speech and Language team have added to their wonderful resources (not just for those with speech needs) [Resources for Children's Speech and Language](#) There's a great new resource included which helps children to deal with coronavirus anxieties.

We are also happy to promote the new BBC bitesize daily lessons [Home](#) and the online lessons from Oak National Academy [Schedule](#)

Phone Calls Home

We will continue to call our families who are not accessing school. We've loved hearing your voices and finding out about what you have been doing. Please note that the number is often withheld. Where there's no reply we'll leave a message if we are able.





Cool Milk

Children will start to have milk again from 15th June. If your child receives FREE milk, this will continue. If you pay for milk, you will be contacted by Cool Milk and asked to complete their online form.

Nursery and Reception Starters September 2020

If your child is due to start school with us either in Nursery or Reception, you should have received our online form to complete further details. If you have not completed it yet, please do so as it will help us to plan for our new intake. Over the next few weeks, a member of staff will be in touch via telephone to obtain further information about your child. We will also send out information that you will need for when your child starts.

Unfortunately, we can't give you any further information as we are waiting for further advice about September arrangements for schools. Please remember that information can also be found on our website under the 'Parents' section, click on the 'New Starters' tab.



Education guidance

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough

or



high temperature

or



loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If **you have symptoms** of coronavirus, you need to **self-isolate for 7 days**
If **you live with someone who has symptoms**, you need to **self-isolate for 14 days** from the day their symptoms started

For most people coronavirus will be a mild illness. However if you have any of the symptoms you should self-isolate at home

Email Addresses - Parents with Children in Year 2 and Year 3

We will soon send you a text with a link to an online form asking you to let us know your email address. This is because we are moving to a new communication system which will link to an app which we will start to use in school from September. In order to launch this, we need to know your email address.



Sports Day

Sadly, there won't be a school sports day this year as we can't plan any events where large numbers of people will gather. The All Active Academy has organised a Summer Virtual School Games Activity Village. Please see Miss Moody's letter for more details - I look forward to handing out lots of certificates for our sporty children.

<http://www.catshillfirst.co.uk/2020/06/03/worcestershire-school-games-summer-2020/>

E-safety Reminder



We will keep this reminder about e-safety on our weekly newsletter as we know that the use of internet and technology has increased. Please continue to be mindful of the dangers of being on-line as well as the advantages. Please see our school website for further details [eSafety](#) or use the support on the Think You Know website [Thinkuknow - home](#).



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