



🌻 Value for April 🌻

Equality

Equality is about ensuring individuals are treated fairly and equally, no matter their race, gender, age, disability, religion or sexual orientation.

📌 Covid 19 Please Keep Safe 📌

We currently have 8 confirmed cases of Covid 19 among our school population, and there are also known cases in the community.

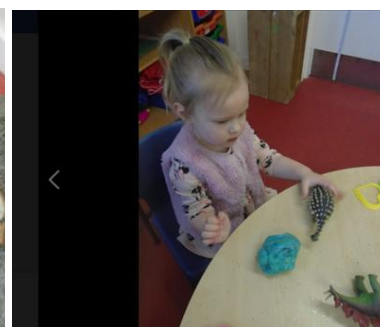
Please be vigilant and refer to the below information or the [Government Website](#).

Recent [government guidelines](#) have changed; please use the link for the latest advice.

Please check your Epraise messages regularly for updates.

🦖 Nursery 🦖

We had an egg-citing arrival in Nursery this week - a clutch of frozen dinosaur eggs! The children were keen to help the hatching process and soon we had 6 baby dinosaurs to join the fun!



🌈 Changeable Weather ☔

Please make sure that your child has a hat for in the sunshine and a coat for the rainy days to wear for outdoor sessions, playtime and lunchtime. We also recommend that parents/carers apply a long lasting 'once a day' sun cream on sunny days.

Thank you



We now have Easter Raffle tickets on sale for £0.50 per ticket, with 25 wonderful prizes to be won - on sale every day until Wednesday 6th April.



We will also be holding an Easter Colouring Competition for the children, with 1 winner from each class winning a fabulous Easter Egg, more details will follow soon.



Thank you all for your continued support

PE Kit

After Easter, we will be returning to the children bringing in their PE kits and changing into them in school. The children should arrive each day in full school uniform. If you wish, they can leave PE kits in school and they will be returned home for the holidays.

We encourage children to wear school PE kit. PE kit consists of a white t-shirt and black/grey/navy shorts. Children may choose to wear black/grey/navy leggings or black/grey/navy tracksuit trousers. They may also wear a black/grey/navy tracksuit top or their school jumper if required.

Footwear should be PE pumps or trainers.

Children who are doing Forest School sessions after Easter will be advised separately of the clothing expectations.

Reminders

- ★ An Epraise message has been sent out regarding the next stage payment for Blackwell which was due Friday 18th March. Can monies please be paid by Tuesday 5th April.
- ★ Just a polite reminder to parents who bring younger siblings to school at drop off or pick up, can cycles/scooters please be dismantled and pushed, not ridden.

Thank you



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Your own clothes

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.


Your own bags

By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.
(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Tuesday 26 April 2022 by 9am

 01609 780 222  www.bag2school.com  helpdesk@bag2school.com

  **Easter Eggstravaganza**  

15 April : 10.00 am - 18 April : 5.00 pm

Hartlebury Castle Hartlebury, Worcestershire

Easter Eggstravaganza - Looking for an eggcellent way to celebrate Easter?

Look no further! Bring your eggplorers to Hartlebury Castle for a cracking good time! Explore the beautiful grounds of the Castle as you hunt for the hidden Easter eggs and surprises!

Get Tickets £5.00



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Catshill Children's Choice

Each half term we will have £50 to spend on new books. Please vote for your top three favourite books from the list below. The top few books that receive the most votes will be purchased for our library. The winners will be announced in our newsletter and shared with everyone in school.

[Catshill Children's Choice Form](#) - Happy voting

Vacancies

We currently have 2 maternity cover vacancies in KS1 and KS2 and a vacancy for a Teaching Assistant - Grade 1/Lunchtime Supervisor - Grade 1

We are looking to appoint someone who is well organised, dedicated, enthusiastic and keen to contribute to other aspects of school life.

Further information and application forms are available from our office, or download a copy attached.

KS1 Teacher - Maternity Cover 1 Year Fixed Term - [Job Description](#)

KS1 Teacher - Maternity Cover 1 Year Fixed Term - [Application Form](#)

KS2 Teacher - Maternity Cover 1 Year Fixed Term (0.8) - [Job Description](#)

KS2 Teacher - Maternity Cover Fixed Term (0.8) - [Application Form](#)

Teaching Assistant - Grade 1/Lunchtime Supervisor - Grade 1 - [Job Description](#)

Teaching Assistant - Grade 1/Lunchtime Supervisor - Grade 1 - [Application Form](#)

Many thanks

Library Events for Easter

There are fantastic events happening around your local Library's this Easter, check out the link below to find out more!

Library events near you over the [Easter period](#) - enjoy!

● Car Park - Important Notice ●

The car park at Catshill First School and Nursery is for use by school staff only. The only exception to this rule is when access is required to the disabled parking space.

Children must NOT be on the school car park at ANY time.

All Access to the school premises must be via the pedestrian footpath and NOT through the car park.

Please note the signage on the gate requesting that it is kept closed at all times.

This is for the children's safety.



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Easter Egg Trail

NewStarts are putting on a free community event. Tea and coffee will be available for an optional charge, and refreshments (squash and biscuits) for children free of charge. Every child will get a prize (easter egg).

Booking is essential



**EASTER
EGG
TRAIL**
Friday 15th April
2022 11am-1pm
Catshill Village
Meadow

TRAIL • LIGHT REFRESHMENTS • FUN

<p>Come along and pick up trail from Meadows. Complete trail around Catshill and pop back to collect prize.</p>	<p>Booking Essential Please email or text 07518292367 or Katie@newstarts.org.uk Let me know how many children. All children to come with responsible adult</p>
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> TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE FROM MEADOW PAVILLION <

Reporting A Child's Absence

Can all pupil absences, please be reported to the admin office, so that we can record your child's absence accordingly on the register.

phone - 01527 872913, option 2 (from 8.15am)

leave a voicemail - 01527 872913, option 1

text - 07786 132612

Epraise - Admin

Email - office@catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk

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📌 Family Front Door 📌

Welcome to Children's Social Work Services

The Family Front Door, Initial Contact and Referral Team is the central point for all referrals for children and young people aged 0 to 18 years and living in Worcestershire where there is safeguarding or child protection concerns for them.

Please contact the Family Front Door directly telephone **01905 822666**

If you have an immediate concern about the safety and welfare of a child please phone the Family Front Door directly on **01905 822666**. You will be required to submit the information on a referral form following this as per the WLSCB procedure.

If you have a child protection concern outside of normal office hours please contact our out of hours emergency duty team (EDT) telephone **01905 768020**

🥚 🐰 Easter Treasure Hunt 🥚 🐰

WELCOME HALL
EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Invites you to their
Easter Treasure Hunt - From 9th - 16th April
&
Family Fun Event - Saturday 16th April
11:30 am - 2:00 pm

Follow the Treasure Hunt clues around Catshill and bring your answer sheet to our Family Fun Event held at Welcome Hall Evangelical Church, Woodrow Lane on Saturday 16th April.
An Easter egg will be presented to every child who takes part, at **12:30 pm**

Download the Treasure Hunt questions @
www.welcomehallchurch.org/treasurehunt

Free Food Games
Crafts FREE



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Things to remember

- ★ W/C 4th April 2022 is week 1 for our dinner menu. You can find the menu on our website <https://www.catshillfirst.co.uk/our-school-day/> ✓
- ★ Please send all dinner money to school on a Monday ✓
- ★ All children have active sessions every day such as PE, Forest School or fun on the Trim Trail. It is important that children attend school wearing suitable clothing and footwear for these activities. ✓
- ★ Log on to Rising Stars to access your child's online reading books. ✓

Term dates

- ★ *This half term ends on Friday 8th April 2022*
- ★ *Please find this year's term dates [here](#)*
- ★ *Please find 2022/2023 term dates [here](#)*
- ★ *Please do not book holidays in term time.*
- ★ *Summer Term begins on Monday 25th April 2022*

