

🌻 Value for May 🌻

Determination

Determination is when you try again and again to succeed in what you are trying to achieve or do. To be determined, you must try your best and never give up. If at first you don't succeed, try and try again.

🚣 Bell Boating 🚣

What brilliant fun year 4 had Bell Boating on Monday, despite the occasional heavy showers!



A big thank you to all of the volunteers who came along and didn't mind getting wet!



 **Jubilee Celebrations** 
Friday 27th May 2022

We are planning a special day to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee on Friday 27th May 2022. Classes will take part in fun activities based around the Jubilee and linked to history learning.

All pupils are invited to dress up in costumes linked to the royal theme such as coming as a King, Queen, Prince or Princess. Some may choose to come as a Knight or a Soldier (no weapons please). Others may simply choose to wear red, white and blue clothes on the day.

Please take a look at our special [lunchtime menu](#) for our Jubilee celebrations, at the same price as usual.

During the day, Councillor Shirley Webb will be planting a commemorative tree.

In the afternoon, all classes will have a celebratory picnic with cake and a drink.



 **School Council** 

And the winners of our 'On Safari' raffle are:-

- NB** - Tommy, Joshua, Rosie, Layla, Ivy and Eddie
- 1C** - Stanley, Jess C, Oscar, Zoey and Jack
- 1L** - Joseph T, Isabelle B, Chloe T, Sophia G
- 2F** - Robin, Lucy, Faibien, Lucas H and Scarlett W
- 2M** - Henry S, Summer W, Emily, Arlo, Lorelie, and Frankie
- 3S** - Elliott, Finn, Verity, Isla, Sienna, and Frankie
- 3FC** - Mai, Logan, Lenka, Mason G, and Shrihan
- 4B** - Grace, Alana, Josh, Harry and Maisie
- 4J** - Maddie

Thank you for your continued support in helping us raise £79.00

Gift tags are still available 40p per pack or 3 packs for £1



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Catshill Library Books

Catshill Library, the community library have a large number of non-returned/outstanding books and have asked for our support in collecting them. Can you please check at home and return any children's library books to us, as they have provided us with an 'amnesty box'.

Thank you

Class Assemblies

We are happy to inform you that, due to the success of our Mothers' Day Assembly for Reception, and positive feedback, we will be holding Class Assemblies for other classes as follows. We will limit attendance to 2 adults per child.

Class Assemblies

Nursery	Tuesday 12th July 9 am
1C	Thursday 26th May 2.30 pm
1L	
2F	Friday 24th June 2.30 pm
2M	Friday 17th June 2.30 pm
3FC	Friday 10th June 2.30 pm
3S	Friday 20th May 2.30 pm
4B	Leavers' Assembly Monday 18th July 9 am
4J	

More details will follow shortly, so don't forget to check your Epraise messages regularly.

Thank you

Reminders and Dates for your Diaries

- ★ Thursday 26th May 1C and 1L Assembly at 2.30pm, limited attendance to 2 adults per child.
- ★ A big thank you to PC Ford who came into the School on Friday 13th May to talk to Year 4B on the topic they are covering this term - Crime and Punishment.
- ★ Just a gentle reminder regarding parking when dropping off and picking up children - can parents please be mindful not to park on the pavement opposite the school, as buggies and pushchairs cannot get past on the pavement, and are having to step into the busy road. Please be advised that the neighbourhood policing team will be patrolling regularly.
- ★ Very well done to 3S for their assembly today we hope the parents enjoyed watching as much as we did, it was great to welcome parents back into school.

Thank you



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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.

[Happy voting!](#)

 **The Queen's Platinum Jubilee - Big Picnic** 
Catshill Village Meadow - Sunday 5th June 2022
11.00am to late afternoon



To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we would like you to decorate the crown drawing, that was been sent home with your child last week.

Prizes for each year from Nursery to year 4 will be announced on 5th June at the Meadows Park in Catshill, at the Big Picnic.

Organised by Meadow Park, local councillors, parish councillors, Catshill Hall, local churches and our community and funded by Catshill Parish Council.

Come along for a great time.

Entries will be on display and need to be returned to Catshill First School and Nursery by **Wednesday 25th May.**



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Worcestershire Children First **Free School Meal Vouchers**

Free School Meal vouchers for use during school holiday periods have been funded by the Household Support Fund during 2021-2022. This grant is allocated by central government to local areas. For 2022-2023 the grant has been extended from April – September 2022 only, however the criteria for use have been changed to include help and support for other groups of the population.

Worcestershire has grant available to provide children eligible for FSM for 2 weeks of school holiday periods during this time.

They have taken a strategic decision that with this limited provision it would be most effective to make these vouchers available to cover 2 weeks of the summer holiday. This means that FSM vouchers will not be available to order for the half term holiday (w/c 30th May 2022).

Support will be available via [Ready Steady Worcestershire](#) including support for food, financial support, activities and community assistance. The Holiday and Food Activity scheme will be available for children and families to access during the summer holiday period providing free access to food and activities for those eligible for FSM.

Hartlebury Castle

Fabulous Fifties!

**Celebrate the decade when the Queen was crowned at our
Fabulous Fifties event!**

Thursday 2nd June 11.00am - 4.00pm

Come dressed fit for a Queen in your best 1950s gear and join us for a sing and dance with the fantastic Bluebird Belles who will be performing songs from the period in the [Castle's](#) magnificent Carriage Circle.

Bunting and flags will be flying, staff will look the part, and music will be playing as the Castle comes alive with the celebration of the Jubilee.

Inside the museum you can handle some items from the decade and swoon over beautiful 1950s dresses in our new costume gallery. Visit our Lavish Living exhibition which explores what Worcestershire was like in the 1950s, and see it decorated just as many homes would have been for the Queen's coronation in 1952.

Children can get hands-on with [Coronation Crafts](#) by constructing and decorating their own miniature, wooden Queen's carriage and royal sceptre, and will have fun exploring the Castle as they follow the Jubilee trail around the site.



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● 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.

Things to remember

- ★ W/C 23rd May 2022 is week 3 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 ✓
- ★ Children should come to school on PE days wearing school uniform, they will change into PE kit as part of the session. For Forest School or Forest Fun sessions, children should come to school wearing their appropriate Forest School 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 27th May 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 2 begins on Monday 6th June 2022*



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