

🍂 Value for November 🍂

Respect

'A positive feeling or action shown to someone or something'

As well as understanding who and what we show respect to, this week we have been learning about ways to show respect. We held our 2 minute silence today in class. What will you do this week to show Respect? Hold a door open? Show good listening? Letting someone have their turn?

🌺 Remembrance Day 🌺

The children have been working very hard this week, designing pictures, banners, and posters of poppies for Remembrance Day. You may have noticed some of them on our school gates, here are a few for you to enjoy!



Thank you all for your generous donations towards this year's poppy appeal. Once we have a total, we will let you know the amount raised by the School.





Children in Need

Friday 18th November in aid of Children in Need.

We will be collecting money for 'Children in Need' next week, on Friday 18th November. Children may come to school in their own clothes preferably yellow or with spots, or their own clothes for a suggested donation of £1.

Many thanks



Nativity

This year we will be having 2 Nativities.

Our Early Years classes (Nursery and Reception) will perform 'Santa's Favourite Story' and our Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) classes will perform 'A Christmas Recipe'.

There will be 3 performances of each and parents/carers will be able to have 3 tickets per child. Due to the growth of our school and ensuring we meet hall capacity restrictions, we cannot offer additional tickets.

We are aware that our children in Year 1 and Year 2 have not had the opportunity to perform in a Nativity yet, so we are holding one for them this year. In future years, we will no longer have a Nativity performance for Year 1 and Year 2 - they will have a different performance later in the year.

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) - 'Santa's Favourite Story'

Wednesday 7th December 9.30am

Thursday 8th December 2.30pm

Friday 9th December 9.30am

Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) - 'A Christmas Recipe'

Wednesday 7th December 2.30pm

Thursday 8th December 9.30am

Friday 9th December 2.30pm

An Epraise will be sent out shortly with further information and how to book.



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. Happy voting!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdaTDunAxSBXDD_NndJ-ybFrYKV4PQKYZrNs9cIRIBmOUtUMA/viewform?usp=share_link



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👏 A Big Thank You 👏

A big thank you to our year 4 lunchtime helpers this week, we think they look very smart in their new tabards.



📖 School Council 📖

Here are the winners of our Peppa Pig and Friends Raffle:-

- NB - Polly, Layla, Georgie, Lucie
- RTY - Joel L, Emily S, Ivy
- RM - Daniel H, Maddison C
- 1P - Ryan, Isla, Kara
- 1R - Oakley, Elijah, Mrihan
- 2F - Tilly W, Lilliana, Mia, Ethan
- 2FB - Lillie, Flo, Maddie, Noah S
- 3S - James H, Scarlett B, Levi, Niamh, Lucas H
- 3B - Frankie, Hattie, Chloe
- 4F - Hollie W, Pola, Evie, Logan S, Mai, Lucas, Lara
- 4J - Ollie R, Blake

Thank you to everyone who took part and helping to raise £90.50.

Last week your child brought home a letter from the School Council about the gift tags that we now have on sale, they are 40p a bag or 3 for £1. There are 10 tags and strings in each pack.

Please look out for:-

Christmas Raffle starting 1st December tickets will be on sale at 50p each.

We will also be holding a Christmas Jumper competition in December and our Christmas Fayre will be held on the last week of term.

More details to follow shortly.

😊 Thank you all for your continuing support 😊



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📌 Families Hereford & Worcester 📌



Here is the [LINK](#) to the November/December issue of Families magazine, packed with guides and gift ideas for Christmas.

📌 Starting Well Partnership 📌

Please find below courses on offer and their service which may be useful.

Starting Well Partnership
Herefordshire and Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust
2 Kings Court
Charles Hastings Way
Worcester
Worcestershire
WR5 1JR

Do you have a concern, complaint or comment?
Contact: Patient Relations Team, Herefordshire and Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust, 2 Kings Court, Charles Hastings Way, Worcester, Worcestershire, WR5 1JR. Tel: 01905 681517 Email: Whchhs.pals@nhs.net

Do you have a communication or information support need?
If so please contact the person who gave you this leaflet so that those needs can be recorded and responded to.

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Sure Start Children's Centres
Worcestershire

GOV parent

Starting Well Partnership
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Worcestershire Parenting Service Groups for parents

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1.0hr group course

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📌Community News📌

Chadsgrove Cafe has started at the Meadow in Catshill, every Wednesday 10.00am to 2.30pm - everyone is welcome



The Methodist church has also started opening longer on a Friday for coffee and films.



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Winter Sickness Bug

As the winter season progresses we ask parents to be vigilant of usual childhood conditions. These include chicken pox, slapped cheek, head lice, ringworm and threadworm etc. Please advise us of any of these conditions when you call to notify us of the absence. Many of these conditions are easily treatable via your local pharmacy or with advice from your local GP surgery. **We also remind you that our policy in respect of sickness and diarrhoea is that 48 hours needs to have passed between the last bout and return to school.**

If you are unsure in respect of any symptoms or ailments your child may have, further help and information can be found on the [NHS Website](#).

Reminders and Dates for your Diaries

- ★ **Monday 14th November** - Nasal Flu Spray - The NHS nurses will be at Catshill First School to give every pupil from Reception to Year 4 their yearly Nasal Flu Spray. Please [click here](#), and complete the consent form, whether you wish your child to be vaccinated or not.
- ★ **Wednesday 16th November** - Year 3 visit to Avoncroft Museum, please ensure that your child has a suitable coat and sensible footwear to allow for potential cold and rain. School uniform is to be worn in any event.
- ★ **Tuesday 22nd November** - Mrs Stacey is running a maths workshop for KS1 and KS2 parents. An epraise with further information has been sent out. Please complete the form by Monday 14th November if you would be interested in attending.
- ★ **Friday 25th November** - Year 4 Bikeability Course, further information has been sent out, and forms need to be completed and returned to school by Wednesday 16th November.
- ★ **Christmas Lunch Menu** - Here is the [Christmas Lunch Menu](#) for the children for Wednesday 14th December.
- ★ **Christmas Programme** - This will be epraised out shortly with all the exciting dates you will need for your diary in the lead up to Christmas.
- ★ **Head Lice** - We have had a few reported cases of head lice in the school. Can parents and carers please remain vigilant and follow our [‘Head Lice to Dead Lice’](#) information.

Thank you for your co-operation



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📌 Things to Remember for Activities in Autumn 2 📌

Autumn 2 2022	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nursery		Forest School (am)	PE (pm)		PE (am)
RM			PE (am)	Forest School (pm)	
RTY			PE (am)		Forest School (am)
Year 1	Forest School (1R pm)	PE (am)	Forest School (1P pm)		
Year 2	Christmas Choir (pm)	PE (pm)		PE (am)	
Year 3	PE (pm)	Ball Skills 3S (pm)	PE (am)	Ball Skills 3B (pm)	Cornet (3S) Forest Schools (3B)
Year 4		PE (am) Swimming (am)		PE (pm)	

*Please note that there may be some flexibility.

⊖ 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 14th November 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 ✓
- ★ 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 📌

- ★ *School collection times*
Reception 3.20pm
KS1 (year 1 and 2) 3.20pm
KS2 (year 3 and 4) 3.25pm
- ★ *This term ends on Friday 16th December.*
- ★ *Please find 2022/2023 term dates [here](#)*
- ★ *Please find 2023/2024 term dates [here](#)*
- ★ *Please do not book holidays in term time.*
- ★ *Spring Term starts on Wednesday 4th January 2023.*



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