



🌸 Value for September 🌸

Positive Attitude

Which of the qualities of a positive attitude do you and your child/ren have? Being positive includes being: confident, enthusiastic, friendly, cooperative, honest, respectful, motivated, energetic, resilient, attentive and having a sense of humour!



Welcome back to school to those who have returned to new year groups and a warm welcome to all those who are new. I hope that the summer break was an enjoyable one. Our first week of term has been very positive with the children looking fabulous back in their uniforms and showing super learning attitudes and behaviours. The new Reception children have made a great start, and will begin their full time learning from Monday. It has been a pleasure to visit all the classrooms and see our pupils engaged in their learning. I look forward to many successes during this new academic year.

Kind regards Georgia Plant, Head of School



🏠 2FJ Active Maths 🏠

Class 2FJ started off the year with some active maths. There's also a picture of the classroom set up for the first day with their individual messages on their tables. What a great start to the academic year!



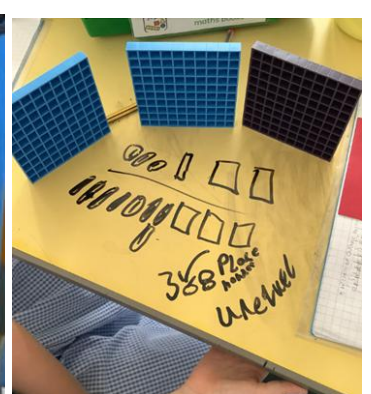
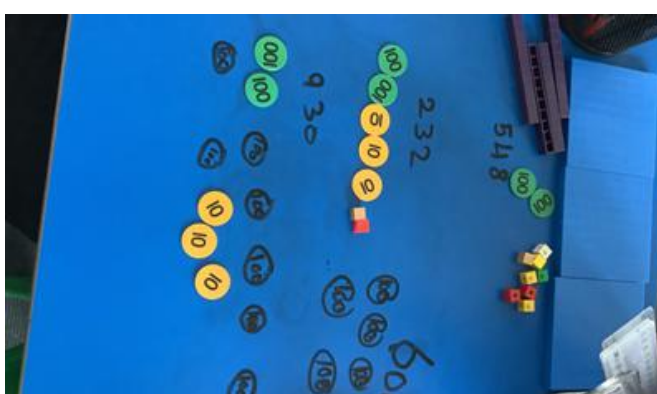
New Bike Rack

We have now installed a bike/scooter rack at The Dock entrance to the school, where they can be left during the day, or dismounted at home time, to reduce accidents in the playground. We still have the existing one at our main entrance, by the office for those that use that entrance.



Year 4 Maths

Year 4 have been showing their mathematical knowledge this week using lots of resources. What a super start!



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Staff

A big Catshill Welcome to all of our new Reception and Nursery children, who are starting with us over the next couple of weeks.

**A big welcome also to our new members of staff who have started with us this term
Miss Shingler our new Headteacher, who has taken over from Mr Essenhigh**

Mr Elvins in year 1

Mrs Jones, who has returned to us after maternity leave in year 2

And Mrs Cook who will be a valued member of our cleaning staff

Shire Services Lunchtime Menu

Here are the lunchtime menus for 2023/2024, which can also be found on our website or through the link at the bottom of the page.

[Menus](#)
[Weeks](#)

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

At Catshill First School we celebrate diversity, by exploring and studying different faiths, cultures and beliefs.

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 **Dodford Children's Farm Open Day** 
Sunday 10th September 1pm - 4pm



OPEN DAY
SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1PM - 4PM
Dodford Children's Farm
Warbage Lane, Dodford, Bromsgrove, B61 9BE

TOUR OUR FACILITIES
MUSIC & DANCING
STALLS

MEET OUR ANIMALS
REFRESHMENTS
ACTIVITIES

ENTRY
£1 ADULTS
CHILDREN FREE
Parking available at
The Dodford Inn

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 **Reminders and Dates for your Diaries** 

- ★ **Uniform** - A polite reminder to label/name all items of clothes for school.
- ★ **Library Books** - If you need to return library books, we have an amnesty box in the office reception area for you to leave them in.
- ★ **Contact Details** - Just a polite reminder that if you have changed address, phone number, email address, or emergency contact details over the summer break, can you please pop round to see one of our admin staff in the office, or Epraise admin with the correct information, so that we can update your details
- ★ **Year 4 - Middle School Admission Guide and Application Letter** has been sent home with your child, please check their bags. Applications online are open from 1st September 2023.
- ★ **Medication** - If your child is on medication, continuous from last year (ie inhaler or care plan), can you please pop round to the office to complete the up to date form.

Thank you for your continued co-operation



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Kombat Kids

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 11th September 2023 is week 2 for our dinner menu.

[Our School Day](#)

- ★ Please send all dinner money to school on a Monday.
- ★ To report an absence, please state child's name, class and reason for illness.

Phone - 01527 872913 - option 2 (from 8.15am)
 Leave a voicemail - 01527 872913 - option 1
 Text - 07786 132612
 Epraise - Admin
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Term dates

- ★ *Here and on time at five to nine.*
- ★ *School collection times*
Reception 3.20pm
KS1 (year 1 and 2) 3.20pm
KS2 (year 3 and 4) 3.25pm
- ★ *This term ends on Thursday 26th October.*
- ★ *Please find 2023/2024 term dates [here](#)*
- ★ *Please do not book holidays in term time.*
- ★ *Autumn 2 term starts Monday 6th November 2023.*



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