



Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 17th November 2017

Children In Need

Children in Need is a fantastic charity which aims to make a real difference to the lives of children all across the UK. They believe that every child in the UK should have a childhood which is safe, happy and secure with opportunities to reach their potential. They provide grants to projects in the UK which focus on children and young people who are disadvantaged.



We have supported Children In Need at school by donating £1 to come to school in our pyjamas and guess the name of the teddy. We also held a spotty cake sale at break time which was a sell out!



We had some delicious cakes donated and Emily guessed the name of the teddy!



Many thanks for your continued support!

Head lice

Unfortunately we have had several cases of head lice in school recently. The only way to eradicate this is for all families to check their children's hair at least weekly, to treat head lice immediately and to keep up this routine.

If you need any advice or guidance please do not hesitate to contact us.

Home School Agreement

Every child should have received a Home School Agreement. If you have not received one or you have mislaid it then please call in to the school office to collect one. All outstanding Home School Agreement Return Slips should be completed and returned to school by Friday 24th November.

Questionnaires

To ensure that the school continues to make progress and we meet everyone's needs we are currently running parent/carer, pupil and staff surveys. Your view of the school is extremely important to us and therefore we would be grateful if you could answer the questions on the survey and return your responses to school by Friday 24th November. This is an opportunity to 'have your say' and it will help us to work on the things that you value most in school. If you have not received a survey then please call into the school office to collect one.

Please remember that we do have an OPEN DOOR POLICY at Caythorpe so if you have any good news or positive comments, questions or concerns, then come and share them with us at any time. Clear communication is key to success.

Christmas Lunch

As you know on Friday 15th December the Farm Kitchen will be once again providing our Christmas lunch. This can either be purchased the normal way, on-line directly with the Farm Kitchen or it can be ordered by completing the slip that has already been sent home and sending it back to school with payment. The cost of this lunch is £2.40. If your child currently has a free infant meal or is eligible for free school meals and normally takes this up then a roast turkey lunch/chocolate christmas cake will automatically be ordered for them. Please ensure that all orders and payments are back by Friday 1st December at the latest.



Winter Is On Its Way!

We like to get the children outside as much as possible at break times and for various learning opportunities. As it is getting colder, please ensure that all children have a coat in school every day.



Y6 Descriptive Poems

Hogwarts have been writing descriptive poems in class, based on the work they have been doing about the story 'The Lost Happy Endings'. They were all absolutely amazing so Mr O'Mahoney asked me to share some with you. Well done Y6!

The lost happy endings

*Far into the forest, stands an ancient oak tree,
All by its self, bare and skinny,
The birds are chirping all merry and bright.
Up on top of the branches they rest quietly,
waiting for the night to fall.
Up high on a lofty branch,
Awaits a girl with a sack in hand,
Like a waterfall of words fall out the sack,
Into the wild it goes,
She clammers back down and leaves the tree,
And leaves it alone to rest in peace.*

By Hope Mussell

Jub's poem

*Deep into the forest,
The whistling, biting wind catches the breeze like a burning, blazing
flame,
It spirals and screams,
As if playing a game.
Like a school of frantic fish,
The chestnut and armour green leaves sweep menacingly,
Thrashing and bashing.
Towering almost as tall as a skyscraper,
The great old oak with its knifelike branches,
Sways stiffly in the bitter wind,
Creaking and cracking eerily.
Perched precariously on the highest tawny branch,
Jub carefully shakes the valuable happy endings,
Into the violet, twilight sky.
They drift gracefully like swans,
Into the ebony night.*

By Remilly Cozens

School Events

FSA Movie Night - Friday 24th November

Join us on Friday 24th November to watch the Christmas movie **'Nativity'**.

Come along in your snuggly pyjamas/onesie & feel free to bring a pillow or something cosy to sit on. Hot chocolate with marshmallows & a cookie will be provided at the interval for **£2**.



Doors Open at 5:45pm for children to be dropped off
Film Starts at 6pm **Children to be collected at 8pm**

Christmas Tombola

Emerald City will be holding a **Christmas Tombola** on **Friday 15th December** straight after school and would appreciate any donations for prizes such as chocolates, stationery, toiletries, stocking fillers ...

Health & Safety

Smoking & Vaping

Please remember that **smoking cigarettes and vaping** is strictly forbidden on the school premises which includes all outdoor areas.

Parking Outside School

Our number one priority is ensuring that **children are safe at all times**. Please ensure that you **park considerately** around the school premises. It is crucial that motorists **do not park on the 'Keep Clear' markings or the 'Zigzag' lines** outside of school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Uniform

Please return uniform orders and payments to the school office by **Friday 24th November**. Please make cheques payable to Caythorpe Primary School.

Diary Dates

Monday 20 November	Rec/KS1 Indian Experience - In School
Tuesday 21 November	Rec-Y4 Flu immunisations
Friday 24 November	FSA Movie Night
Tuesday 12 December	Whole school trip to Panto at Grantham
Wednesday 13 December	Christmas show - 6 pm
Thursday 14 December	Christmas show - 2pm & 6pm
Friday 15 December	Christmas Lunch & Tombola after school
Monday 18 December	Christmas craft day & jumper day
Tuesday 19 December	Christmas parties
Wednesday 20 December	Carol service & End of Term 2
Wednesday 3 January	Staff Training Day
Thursday 4 January	School re-opens

Christmas Extravaganza!

There will be 3 Christmas performances:
Wednesday 13th December - 6pm
Thursday 14th December - 2pm & 6pm.

As in previous years tickets will be limited to **2 per family** and will be issued on a first come, first served basis. Please return your slip as soon as possible. If you require more than 2 tickets, spare seats will be allocated on Friday 8 December. **UNDER 5'S ARE WELCOME TO THE AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE BUT MUST BE SUPERVISED.** The FSA will be providing refreshments and raffling a Christmas hamper at each performance.