



Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 5th February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As I approach my last official week as the Headteacher of Caythorpe Primary School, I just wanted to say what a privilege it has been getting to know and working with you and your children. I have thoroughly enjoyed sharing the school's successful journey over the last four and a half years and the progress it has made has been hugely rewarding. I certainly could not have asked for a better school for my first headship and I would like to thank you all for your continued support, commitment and loyalty to both myself and the school.

As I have said before, the major highlights of my time at Caythorpe School are most certainly the people and the teamwork. Every day is filled with laughter, collaboration, support, encouragement and understanding which makes Caythorpe School such a special place to be.

I am delighted that Mrs Hunt is taking over as the Headteacher at Caythorpe Primary School. She is passionate about teaching and learning and she is dedicated to school improvement. I know that as a team the school will continue to go from strength to strength and I look forward to hearing all about the school's future successes and achievements.

I feel extremely sad and disappointed to be leaving during the national lockdown as it means that I will not have the chance to say goodbye and wish you all well in person. With this in mind, I am going to arrange a date with Mrs Hunt for me to come back in the summer term to spend the day in school with the children so that I can spend some time with them, catch up on all of their news and say a proper farewell. Also, as my new school is part of Community Inclusive Trust, I will continue to work with Caythorpe School in some capacity.

Thank you again for entrusting me with your children and making my first headship so enjoyable and special.

Best wishes to you and your family for a bright and happy future.

Kind regards,

Katie Brockington

Favourshare - creating a cashless, caring communities

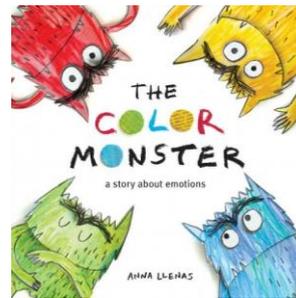
Free to register and use, this website has a huge variety of children's clothes, toys and books available within Caythorpe. From school uniform to jigsaws and puzzle books including offers of homemade shepherd's pie's and scones. The website is designed to create positive new connections between people of all ages and encourages acts of kindness as well as an opportunity to declutter your toy cupboards and book cases! Visit www.favourshare.com and have a look.



It is free to register, free to use and the idea behind it is to connect people through kindness.

Children's Mental Health Week

After sharing the story, 'The Colour Monster', which is a great book all about emotions, Jessica made an amazing colour monster chain. It has all of the emotions from the story, including the confused one and she even added a purple one for excitement. Great work Jessica!



This week, the whole school enjoyed 'Wellbeing Wednesday' regardless of whether they were at home or in school. I was amazed by the fantastic range of wellbeing activities that the children engaged in throughout the day. Activities included mindful colouring, a trip to the park, building dens, baking, playing games and spending time with family. Thank you to parents/carers for supporting your children with such great activities, with a focus on well-being.



Parent Forums

We would like to offer each class a Parent Forum next week to share and discuss any worries, concerns and good ideas that you have during the National Lockdown. I have sent an invite to the children's Teams account as this is already set up. I am sure that the children will let you borrow their device so that you can join myself and Mrs Laing to share your thoughts and ideas. This is a great opportunity to share things that are working well and to discuss the challenges that you are facing.

'A problem shared is a problem halved and no question is a silly question'. We are all in this together and we need to support each other through this difficult time.

Parent Forum Dates & Times:

Enchanted Forest - Monday 8 February at 11.00am

Neverland - Monday 8 February at 1.00pm

Narnia - Tuesday 9 February at 11.00am

Hogwarts - Tuesday 9 February at 1.00pm

If you have more than one child in school then feel free to select the most convenient time for you to join. If a daytime meeting does not work for you then I am happy to arrange an evening Parent Forum so please email me directly if this would be better for you.

Symptoms of Coronavirus

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result.

Main Symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a **high temperature** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. You and anyone you live with should stay at home and not have visitors until you get your test result - only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone in your support bubble should also stay at home if you have been in close contact with them since your symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started.



Thank You Jessica!

I thoroughly enjoyed my Teams Meeting with Jessica where I learned how to my own colour monster chain! Jessica's instructions were very clear and easy to follow which enabled me to be successful! Well done and thank you Jessica.



Remote Learning Survey

Thank you to everyone who has already taken the time to complete our Remote Learning Survey. Your thoughts and comments are important to us and your answers help us to ensure that we are doing our best to meet the needs of all of our families. If you have not yet completed the survey please click on the link below and share your feedback before the end of Monday 8 February 2021.

Remote Learning Survey: (<https://bit.ly/cayremote>)

Transport to School

Important information regarding school transport for children starting secondary school or primary school in September 2021

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2021 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as you have your offer of a school place. Applications can be made online at the website below or a telephone application can be made by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.

For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport. Queries can be emailed to schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Keep in Touch

Whilst we cannot all be in school together during the national lockdown, we are eager to keep in touch with all of our families as much as possible. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you want to share anything or if you have any questions or concerns:

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