

Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 30th April 2021

Scarecrow Competition



This week was National Gardening week. It was lovely to see the children out in the sunshine, tending our sensory garden.

Mr and Mrs Almond of Gorse Lane are running a scarecrow competition as part of the National Garden Scheme (NGS). Tim and Carol will be opening their garden to visitors on Saturday 22nd May from 1 to 5 pm. Entrance is £4 per adult (children free) and the entrance proceeds will go to the NGS nursing charities. Each entrant will be allocated a number so each visitor can judge the scarecrows giving each one a score out of 10. The one that scores the most will win a prize to the value of £25. Each class will be creating a scarecrow - but why should we have all the fun!

Families may enter a scarecrow too. There is no size limit or minimum size for the scarecrows, even a small scarecrow can scare those pesky crows!

Entries to school by Thursday 20th May.

Refreshments of homemade teas will be available.

For more details of the National Gardening Scheme visit <https://ngs.org.uk/find-a-garden/>



Thank you to parents who have already responded. Don't forget to have your say. I would be grateful if you could find 5 minutes to answer the questions via the following link: <http://bit.ly/parents-homework>

Please complete the survey by Monday 3rd May and I will compile the results of your valuable feedback.

The Big Ask

In this week's Monday assembly, the children found out about "The Big Ask." Millions of children in England are to be given the chance to tell the government what their childhoods should look like.

'The Big Ask' will find out from children what life is like for them, what hopes and aspirations they have for the future and what challenges they face in reaching their goals.

The survey is being led by the Children's Commissioner for England Dame Rachel de Souza, who thinks it is important to look at the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on children's lives. England and Manchester United footballer Marcus Rashford is supporting the project.

Dame de Souza said she wants what is said in the survey to "tackle some of the generational problems that have held back too many children for decades."

She said: "It is time to give something back to children after the huge sacrifices they have made during the Covid pandemic."

She added, "I want 'The Big Ask' to be the biggest survey of children ever carried out in this country, so that we can better understand what children want from the people in power and those who make decisions about their lives."



**A message from Citizens Advice in South
Lincolnshire.**

We want to remind everyone that we are here to support our local communities in these challenging times, through our free telephone Adviceline on 0808 278 7996 (Monday to Friday 10.00-16.00) or on email which can be found via our website: www.citizensadviceouthlincs.org.uk. During the pandemic, many people have encountered problems for the first time, and discover that our free impartial advice, which is available for a wide range of issues, helps them to find a way forward, when previously things looked really bleak. The range of advice we give includes advice on housing and relationship issues, helping to make sure people receive the benefits they are entitled to, through to specialist money advice or help with applications to the European Union Settlement Scheme. We can also help people access a food voucher if needed. We know how families are struggling still, so anyone who feels they can't see a way forward is urged to pick up the phone, or email us without delay. We are here to help everyone find a way forward.

National Gardening Week

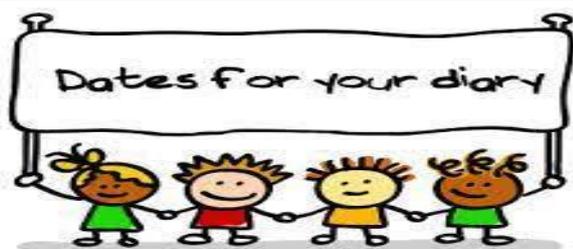
Our sensory garden and allotment garden have never looked tidier in the time I have been at Caythorpe. We have plans to continue to develop these areas to make them safe, purposeful learning spaces. Mrs Palmer is developing the Sensory Garden with our school council in addition to other groups of children.

If you are planning a Spring clear out, before going to the tip, we are looking for the following.

- Old metal pots and pans
- Wooden spoons
- Old buckets
- Small garden ornaments
- End tins of outdoor/wood suitable paint
- Old plastic piping
- Bird feeders

If you have any left-over pebbles or bark chippings from your own garden projects these would be equally welcomed.

We will be holding a non-uniform day at some point to raise money for appropriate bedding plants to stimulate the senses such as herbs, lavender, sweet peas, silver sage, lambs' ears, sage and petunias.



Monday 3rd May - School Closed May Bank Holiday
Monday 10th May - National Water Saving Week
Monday 17th May - National Mental Health Awareness Week and National Walk to School Week
Thursday 20th May - Scarecrow entries to school deadline
Saturday 22nd May - Scarecrows on show at King's Lodge, Gorse lane, Caythorpe.
Friday 28th May - Term Five ends
Monday 7th June - School reopens for Term 6
- Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Wednesday 23rd June - Games Day
Friday 25 June - Y5/6 PGL day visit
Wednesday 30th June - Sports Day
Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th - Transition to new classes in the afternoons
Monday 19th July - Y6 Leavers' Ceremony and BBQ
Tuesday 20th July - Whole School Awards Ceremony
Wednesday 21st July - Whole School Picnic and Enterprise Fair
Wednesday 21st July - Term six ends
We will send details nearer the date of each event as the organisation will depend on current COVID restrictions at the time of each individual event.

Sam's Recipe Book



The smells that have been wafting out from the staff room the last few Fridays have been making everyone feel ravenous. Sam Connor has been working with Mrs Laing to craft culinary creations on a Friday afternoon. This has inspired him to write his recipe book. He would like to collect the favourite recipes of Caythorpe to publish in a book. The proceeds of the sales of the book would go to cancer charities of his choice. If you have a recipe to share maybe a family favourite Friday feast or a sumptuous Sunday sweet treat, email to helen.hunt@caythorpe-cit.co.uk including your name and maybe a few lines about why the dish is special to you and your family and perhaps a photo. and I'll forward to Sam and Mrs Laing.