



Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 24th March 2017



We were absolutely delighted to receive our letter from OFSTED this week. It really is a true reflection of how wonderful all of the children at Caythorpe Primary School are and what a dedicated team of parents, governors and staff we have. The letter states that the school is highly inclusive and that children feel happy and safe coming to school which in my eyes is absolutely paramount to success. Pupils are making good progress across the school, behaviour is good and there is clear leadership. Next steps for the school involve further developing and embedding everything that has been put in place since September to ensure that children can continue to make progress and achieve their full potential. Well done to all!

Easter Activities

We plan to do lots of fun Easter Activities on the last day of term and it would be great if all children could bring in a hardboiled egg to decorate.

Downs Syndrome Awareness Day

It was great to see everyone wearing odd socks and jazzy tights this week in recognition of Downs Syndrome Awareness Day. Many thanks to Mr Linforth for coming into school to deliver a fascinating assembly about Downs Syndrome. Both pupils and staff are more aware of what Downs Syndrome is and how it affects individuals and we all came away with the message that 'it's okay to be different'.



Autism Awareness Day

Friday 31st March - Non-uniform Day

WEAR SOMETHING TO MAKE YOURSELF STAND OUT!

This could be a bright t-shirt, funny glasses, your dad's shirt and tie, orange hair, a hat, pigtails in your hair, a fancy dress costume etc.

Please do not go out and buy anything new - have a rummage in your wardrobe or your dressing up box and see what you can find!

Autism is a lifelong developmental disability that affects how people perceive the world and interact with others. Autistic people see, hear and feel the world differently to other people. Autism is a spectrum condition. All autistic people share certain difficulties, but being autistic will affect them in different ways.

At least 1 in 100 people in the UK have autism... we have a number of children in school who have autism so it is a great opportunity to develop an understanding of what autism is and acknowledge that it is okay to be different.



Parents Evening

Tuesday 28th March 2017 - 3:50pm - 5:30pm

Wednesday 29th March 2017 - 4:30pm - 6:30pm

The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's work and progress so far.

Governors will also be available at both Parents Evenings to meet with you for an informal catch up.

If your child is in Narnia, your appointment will be with Mrs Brockington, not Miss Clement.

Due to Parents Evenings, all after school clubs are cancelled next week.

Sport At Caythorpe

Well done to our fantastic hockey team for making it to the finals this week. They played well as a team and battled hard in all matches. Thanks to the parents who helped with transport and for their enthusiastic support! After many great games, the team came third overall and were delighted with their bronze medals.



Our football team played at home this week against the William Alvey School and won 3-2. It was a fantastic game to watch as it was so close but we just pipped them at the post! Well done boys!



Easter Trail

The FSA are organising an Easter Trail around Caythorpe village on Monday 17th April. They would be delighted for as many families as possible to join them! Please see details below:

£2 in advance OR £2.50 on the door
Starting from the school hall 10am -12 noon



Mothering Sunday Family Service

You are invited to go along to St Vincent Church, Caythorpe for the Mothering Sunday Family Service on Sunday 26th March, at 10am.

There will be flowers for Mums and refreshments will be available after the service.

If any children would like to help with readings or prayers, please get in touch with Jo Russell on 01400 273551 or Judith Scott on 01400272974.



The New 12 Sided £1 Coin



The new £1 coin has a number of features that make it much more difficult to counterfeit.

The first 5 children to bring a new £1 coin to show me will win a prize.

Well done to Anthony and Katherine for their great facts about why the new £1 coin is meant to be the most secure coin in the world. I still have 3 more prizes if anyone else who brings me 3 facts about why the new £1 coin is so secure.

Creative Writing News & Challenge

Anthony Watson (Y5) was recently watching the news when he spotted a school in Cambridge that used play based activities to help pupils with their writing. The children made a scene out of Lego and then used this plus Lego figures to create a story. The practical activity encouraged children to be more imaginative and creative in their writing and teachers were really impressed with the end product.

Help me to convince the teachers at Caythorpe Primary School that we should do more play based activities to inspire and help children with their writing, by completing the following challenge!

Create a scene or character using either a construction set or recycled materials and then write an imaginative story, description or report about your creation and bring it into school. If teachers are blown away by both your models and writing, they might start using this approach in school.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 28 th March	Parent's Evening 3:50pm - 5:30pm
Wednesday 29 th March	Parent's Evening 4:30pm - 6:30pm
Friday 31 st March	Autism Awareness Day End of Term

Staff News

Miss Clement is starting her Maternity Leave a week early, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish her all the best on behalf of all the staff and children. We look forward to meeting her new baby!