



# Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

## NSPCC Parent Workshop

As you know, we are currently working with the NSPCC, the UK's leading children's charity. They have already been into school to talk to the children about their 'Speak Out and Stay Safe from Abuse' programme and they are planning to come back to school on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November** to run a **Parent Workshop**. Some parents have already responded to say that they would like to come along to the NSPCC Parent Workshop but at present we do not have enough interest to run it, so please contact Mrs Madge in the school office as soon as possible if you are interested.

## 11+ Information Session

The current Y5 children will be given the opportunity to take the 11+ Tests in September 2018. If you are interested in your child taking these tests next year then I would like to invite you to a parent and child 11+ Information Session on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** at 4pm straight after our first 11+ Revision Club. This will give you an overview of what the tests entail and to explain how I intend to support your child.

## Poppy Appeal



The remembrance poppy is an artificial flower, which has been used since 1921 to commemorate military personnel, who have died in war, and represents a common or field poppy.

Once again we will be supporting this year's Poppy Appeal by selling poppies in school for a small donation. These will be taken around the classes for the children to buy one if they wish. We have also been given a School's pack which includes Friendship Bracelets £1, Slap Rulers £1, Wristbands 50p and Reflectors 50p. These will be available to purchase from the school office at the beginning and end of the school day.

## Mathematics

Due to Maths being a whole school target, we have invested in a programme called *Times Tables Rock Stars* to help the children learn their times tables. The programme looks at improving the children's recall and speed by focusing on the times tables they find the most difficult. Times Tables Rock Stars was initially trialled in Year 6 for four weeks to see if it suited the school's needs, the results of this trial showed great improvements across the Year group. This particular programme has proved very successful in boosting times tables recall speed for hundreds of thousands of pupils over the last 7 years in over 4500 schools. Furthermore, your child will be able to practice their times tables at home too as they will have a unique login to access their account from home. Further details about how to access this will be sent home with the children in due course.



## Start of the School Day

To ensure that we can start lessons promptly at 9am, children need to be lined up ready to enter school by 8:50am. Teachers are available to talk to on the playground at 8:45am if you have a quick query or message, or you can catch them at the end of the day. An appointment with your child's class teacher can be made if you have an issue that needs a longer discussion. If you arrive after your child's teacher has gone into the classroom you will need to leave a message with another member of staff so that learning time is not interrupted. Many thanks for your continued support.

## Swimming

Y3 and Y4 children are continuing with swimming lessons this term so please ensure that they have their swimming kit in school every Wednesday. Each session costs £2.80 or if you prefer to pay for the whole term then the cost is £16.80.

## Diary Dates

<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	Halloween Disco
<b>Tuesday 7 November</b>	NSPCC Parent Workshop 2pm - 3:30pm
<b>Thursday 16 November</b>	Rec/K1 Visit - The Indian Experience
<b>Tuesday 21 November</b>	Rec-Y4 Flu immunisations
<b>Friday 24 November</b>	FSA Movie Night
<b>Christmas Dates</b>	
<b>Tuesday 12 December</b>	Whole school trip to Panto at Grantham
<b>Wednesday 13 December</b>	Christmas show - 6 pm
<b>Thursday 14 December</b>	Christmas show - 2pm & 6pm
<b>Friday 15 December</b>	Christmas Lunch
<b>Monday 18 December</b>	Christmas craft day & jumper day
<b>Tuesday 19 December</b>	Christmas parties
<b>Wednesday 20 December</b>	Carol service & End of Term 2

## School Clubs

<b>Monday</b>	Girls' Football Y4 - Y6
	KS2 School Newspaper Club
<b>Tuesday</b>	KS1 Football (Lunchtime)
	KS1 Arts & Crafts Y1 & Y2
	11+ Revision Club 3 - 4pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Magical Maths
<b>Thursday</b>	Beginners Recorders Y2 - Y6
	Football Y3 - Y6
<b>Friday</b>	Singing Y1 - Y6 (Lunchtime)
Many thanks to all staff who have volunteered to give up their own time to run a club this term.	

