



# Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020



## Welcome Back

I hope you all had an enjoyable and restful Christmas break. Please remember you can catch your child's Class Teacher for a quick chat at the start and the end of the day if they are available or if you need longer you can make an appointment at a mutually convenient time.

## New Year's Resolutions

We have been talking about New Year's Resolutions in assembly this week, with a focus on the choices we make each day and the importance of being considerate towards others. The children had some great ideas for New Year's Resolutions including:

- Keep my bedroom tidy
- Be kind to my brothers and sisters
- Do more exercise
- Drink more water

## Attendance

Good attendance in school is vital to your child's learning and development. Following statutory guidelines, absences cannot be authorised during term time and may only be granted in the most exceptional circumstances. 96% attendance is the absolute minimum target for all children. **Every day counts!**

## Lateness

Children are welcomed onto the playground at 8:45am to ensure they are in school ready to begin their lessons promptly at 9:00am. Unfortunately a number of children are frequently arriving late to school. When a child arrives late they miss valuable learning time and it can disrupt lessons. This is something that we must ensure does not happen.

Lateness adds up over time and can make a huge difference to children's learning time in school. **Every second counts!**

Arriving **10 minutes** late each day = Nearly **1 ½ weeks** per year!

Arriving **20 minutes** late each day = Nearly **2 ½ weeks** per year!

Arriving **30 minutes** late each day = **4 weeks** per year!

**GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS**

**Every Minute  
in School Counts**



## Swimming

**Year 2 & Year 5** are going to Sleaford Leisure Centre for their **swimming lessons** every **Wednesday** up until Easter. Each session costs £3.30 which can be paid weekly or it is £19.80 for the first half term. Please ensure that all Y2 and Y5 children bring their swimming kit, including a swim hat, to school every Wednesday so that they do not miss out on learning this all important life skill.

## Sport @ Caythorpe

Wow what a jam packed term of sport it was last term - it was definitely a muddy one but our children have always embraced it and tried their best no matter what the conditions. A win in the football tournament earlier in the term meant we progress to the area finals in January. Well done to the team! We have also taken part in netball and tag rugby tournaments, took a team of 16 to cross country and finished the term with an exciting Change 4 Life Christmas festival. Unfortunately the weather did get the better of the equestrian and girls tag rugby events but CGS Outreach have assured us that these will be rearranged in the new year! Well done and thank you to all who took part last term and to those parents who helped with transport. I wonder what sporting opportunities 2020 will bring...



### School Clubs

Monday	11+ Revision Club (Lunchtime)
Tuesday	KS2 Quicksticks Hockey KS2 Chess Club (Lunchtime)
Wednesday	KS1 Art Club
Thursday	Staff Meeting
Friday	Gymnastics Y4 - Y6 Singing Hands Y1 - Y6 (Lunchtime) KS2 Timestables Rockstars (Lunchtime)



Many thanks to all staff who have volunteered to give up their own time to run a club this term.

### E-safety

Remind your child about the importance of internet safety.



### Class Assemblies & Cake Sales

Class assemblies are a great way for children to share all of the amazing things that they have been learning about in school. Following each class assembly there will be a cake sale straight after school. All donations for the cake sales will be gratefully received and any money raised will go towards future school trips and resources.

Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Enchanted Forest
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Narnia
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Hogwarts
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Neverland

### Diary Dates

Friday 24 January	Y5/Y6 Trip to Cadbury's World
Tuesday 4 February	3.45pm Stibbington Residential Meeting for Parents of Y3/4
Thursday 6 February	Enchanted Forest Class Assembly
Thursday 13 February	End of Term 3
Friday 14 February	Staff Training Day
Monday 24 February	School opens for Term 4
24 - 27 February	Y5 Bikeability
Tuesday 25 February	KS1 Trio to Lincoln Castle
4 & 5 March	Y3/4 Residential to Stibbington
Friday 6 March	Class Photos
Thursday 19 March	Narnia Class Assembly
Monday 30 March	Rocksteady Performance

### Magna Visit

Narnia Class started their topic "What makes the Earth angry" with a big bang of a visit to Magna, a science adventure centre. The children got to experience hands-on activities with the interactive exhibits all housed in a huge ex-steel works. They explored the wonders of science and technology visiting the pavilions of earth, air and water but unfortunately we did not have time to visit fire.

First we visited the earth pavilion we blasted, dug and rocked our way around Earth. Below ground the children controlled some real-life JCBs, became rock sorters and detonated a quarry face to explode.

The children also took part in a workshop run by the Magna staff. We created volcano eruptions using vinegar and baking powder and learnt how rocks are formed when the magma hardens. We took core rock samples and identified types of rocks. In the air pavilion, which is a huge airship, children created patterns with air cannons, felt the wind, played with a tornado and explored how sound is made.

The children will be using their experience to write recounts in English and the knowledge they learnt will be very beneficial to their science and topic work this term.

