



Caythorpe Chronicle

The weekly news from Caythorpe Primary School

Friday 13th March 2020

Residential Visit to Stibbington

Narnia visited Stibbington Ecological Education Centre last week to enrich their study of The Romans. They were welcomed by Becky, who showed them around the centre and the children were quick to unpack and settle into their rooms ready for the fire drill.

In the afternoon the children learnt some marching commands in Latin and practised the tortoise and orb formation. After chariot racing, it was time to set up for dinner.

The children were well fed in the Crunchy Carrot Café, the chocolate pudding being a particular favourite.

The next day the children were busy with more Roman activities making stuffed dates, writing Roman numerals on wax tablets, looking at artefacts and creating a clay tile. They also had more opportunities to learn about the ecological aspects the centre promotes for example; recycling, composting, saving energy and creating energy via solar panels.

All the staff who accompanied the children were very impressed by their behaviour and enthusiasm. Some children have been awarded certificates in recognition of their extra special efforts during the visit. The centre said they would certainly welcome the children of Caythorpe back in the future.

Back at school the children have written recounts of their visit and in maths year 3 have created tally charts and bar graphs to show their favourite activities on the visit. The facts and information they have picked up will support their learning of "What the Romans did for us!"



Tractor Visit

The children of Neverland and Enchanted Forest had a wonderful afternoon when Martin from Chandlers came to visit us in one of the tractors. We enjoyed learning about tractors, asked some great questions and enjoyed guessing how much a tractor costs to buy. The highlight of the visit was when Martin allowed us to climb up into the tractor and take a seat!



Parents Evening

Tuesday 31st March 2020 - 4pm - 6.30pm

Wednesday 1st April 2020 - 3.40pm - 5.30pm

The teachers are looking forward to meeting parents/ carers to discuss your child's progress so far.

If at any time you have concerns about your child, please do not hesitate to speak to any member of staff.

Parents as Partners



SATs Week

This Year the pupils in Year 6 will take their Standard Attainment Tests (SATs) on the following dates:

Monday 11 th May	Grammar Test followed by: Spelling Test
Tuesday 12 th May	Reading Test
Wednesday 13 th May	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) followed by Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Thursday 14 th May	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

The SATs are important but all we ask is that the children try their hardest and do their best.

Y6 children are welcome to come to school for some breakfast before the SATs if they wish. **Breakfast will be served in Mr O'Mahoney's classroom at 8.30am (Monday - Thursday).**

Head lice

Head lice are tiny insects that live in hair. Nits are the egg cases attached to hair that head lice hatch from. Head lice are a common problem particularly in children aged 4-11. They can live in the hair for a long time if not treated and can be irritating and frustrating to deal with.

The only way to eradicate this is for all families to check their children's hair at least weekly, to treat head lice immediately and to keep up this routine.

If you need any advice or guidance please do not hesitate to contact us.

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 19 th March	Narnia
Thursday 21 st May	Hogwarts
Thursday 25 th June	Neverland

Good to be Different Day - Thursday 2nd April

As a school we would like to celebrate the fact that

It Is Good To Be Different

Come to school wearing **odd shoes, brightly coloured clothes and crazy hair** to help us raise awareness that it is good to be different!

Diary Dates

Thursday 19 March	Narnia Class Assembly
Friday 27 March	Family Bingo
Monday 30 March	Rocksteady Performance
31 March & 1 April	Parents Evening
Thursday 2 April	Good to be Different Day
	End of Term 4
Friday 3 April	Staff Training Day
Sunday 19 April	Easter Egg Hunt
11 - 14 May	Y6 SATs



HM Government



Government coronavirus action plan

The government coronavirus action plan sets out what the UK has done to tackle coronavirus (COVID-19), and what they plan to do next. The situation is constantly reviewed and action informed by expert science and advice, guided by the Chief Medical Officer and the Chief Scientific Adviser.

Action plan recap

The action plan sets out a four-phased approach in response to coronavirus - Contain, Delay, Mitigate, and Research, based on the latest scientific evidence. The current emphasis is on the Contain and Research phases, however planning for Delay and Mitigation is already in train.

Preventing spread of infection

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus.

There are general principles anyone can follow to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- washing your hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. This is particularly important after taking public transport
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin. See [Catch it, Bin it, Kill it](#)
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting
- pupils, students, staff and visitors should wash their hands:
 - before leaving home
 - on arrival at school
 - after using the toilet
 - after breaks and sporting activities
 - before food preparation
 - before eating any food, including snacks
 - before leaving school
- use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- if you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or colleague, please call NHS 111. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment
- see further information on the [Public Health England Blog](#) and the [NHS UK website](#).

As a school we are monitoring what is happening with regards coronavirus very carefully and receive daily updates and advice from the Department for Education. If you have any questions or concerns about school procedures regarding this matter please don't hesitate to talk to Mrs Brockington or Mrs Hunt.

The latest information and updates on COVID-19 can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>