

The Caton Chronicle

ATTENDANCE

Please could we remind all our families that holidays should not be taken during term time. This is more important than ever at a time when pupils have missed so much school due to Covid. If you are requesting an absence, please complete the holiday request form (available from the office) **prior to** the planned absence. Absences will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and can incur penalty notices if taken unauthorised. A copy of our attendance policy can be found on the school's website. Thank you.

LUNCHES

Mrs Jarvis, our school cook, makes delicious home-cooked school lunches on site. Please support this service if you can. The menu up to half term remains the same as in the summer term. If you would like another copy of the menu, please contact Mrs Howarth.

For children having packed lunches, sweets and chocolate should not be sent into school, crisps and biscuits should be kept to a minimum and please ensure that portion sizes are reasonable (not too large). Here are some ideas from the NHS for healthy packed lunches.

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes?fbclid=IwAR2ho3yLHNeg_VQKnwLW6PkIBVUSI7I9BHBfJ4HkaqHqi41MgbqzgdV5ms#lunchbox-recipes

Value of the month: Courage

Author of the month: Jill Murphy

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to all our families. We hope that you have all had a restful summer and have come back to school refreshed. The children have certainly settled back into school life very well. Year 6 pupils look particularly smart (and grown up!) in their new shirts and ties. Welcome to our new pupils: Millie, Harrison; Gideon; and Leonie. Also to our new staff members: Mrs Cain; Miss Fletcher; Mr Pickles; and Mrs Henderson. We can't wait to welcome our new Reception starters on Monday and then our Caton family will be complete!

All families should have received letters from class teachers on Thursday. If you haven't received one, please check your child's bag. The letters contain lots of important information about class routines, homework etc.





COVID GUIDANCE

We are certainly loving more normality this term, without having to operate in 'bubbles'. We are still encouraging the children to be rigorous with their hand hygiene throughout the school day and making sure that school is well-ventilated.

If your child develops symptoms, please keep them at home and have a PCR test done. Please note that under the new guidance, close contacts (of someone who has tested positive) under 18 years of age no longer need to self isolate so children can still come into school. However, we ask that your child please carry out a lateral flow test before coming in if they have been in close contact with a positive case. Our Covid risk assessment is available to view on request.

UNIFORM

Thank you to parents for sending children into school looking so smart this week. Please note that jewellery (including earrings) is not permitted.

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After School and Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is now open from 8am daily. To book a place or for further information, please contact Claire from Infinity Pre-school on 07746 857 904. Booking forms and registration packs are available to collect from the school office.

Our After School Club, run by Mr Pickles, is also available until 5:45pm daily and there is an exciting range of daily activities on offer which can be booked for a shorter after-school session until 4:15pm.

Autumn 1 activities include:

Monday - tag rugby

Tuesday - cooking / baking

Wednesday - construction club

Thursday - outdoor adventure

Friday - fitness club

Please contact Mrs Howarth in the office for further information or to book your place.

PTA Summer Barbecue

We cannot wait to see you all at our post summer BBQ on Saturday 11th September! It will be a lovely opportunity to get our entire school community together and welcome all our new families.

The event kicks off at **2pm** and tickets will be priced at £5 per child, but adult entry is **free!**

Tickets entitle each child to unlimited access to both the bouncy castle and slip and slide (weather permitting), so please make sure they bring a towel and a change of clothes, or are OK with a soggy walk home afterwards!

To keep kids big and small going, a variety of burgers and hot dogs will be sizzling on the barbecue and can be served alongside soft drinks or alcoholic beverages. All of which can be purchased on the day.

After fuelling up, why not test your strength in the tug of war too?!

A letter regarding how to purchase tickets, as well as containing more detailed plans for the event will be sent out next week to all children.

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DIARY OF EVENTS - 2021/2022

Date	Event	Action	Who
6/9/21	Reception pupils start school full time		Rec
6/9/21	Breakfast club opens	Contact Claire on 07746 857 904	All
9/9/21	Key Stage 2 swimming commences and will take place weekly, every Thursday	Ensure kit in school each week	KS2
10/9/21	Celebration assembly at 2:45pm in the sports hall These will take place weekly, every Friday at 2:45pm	Please join us. All welcome	All
11/9/21	Summer family barbecue and fun day - 2pm onwards	Tickets will be available next week	All
13/9/21	Lunchtime clubs and school band practice commence	Letters will be sent out next week. Please return reply slips by Wednesday 8th September.	All
21/9/21	6pm EYFS parents' meeting	Save the date	Rec
22/10/21	Break up for half term		All
1/11/21	INSET day - school closed to children		All
2/11/21	School reopens		All
8/11/21 9/11/21	Parents' evening	Letter to follow	All
12/11/21	Children in Need	Details to follow	All
26/11/21	Class 3 learning assembly at 2:15pm followed by celebration assembly	Save the date	All
3/12/21	Film night after school	Save the date	All
10/12/21	Progress reports sent home		All
15/12/21	Community Christmas lunch	Details to follow	
15/12/21	Key Stage 1 Christmas production at 2pm and 6pm	Save the date	All
16/12/21	Key Stage 2 Christmas party		KS2
17/12/21	Class 1 Christmas party		Class 1
17/12/21	Break up for Christmas		All
4/1/22	School reopens		All
11/2/22	Break up for half term		All
21/2/22	School reopens		All

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3/3/22	World Book Day	Details to follow	All
1/4/22	Break up for Easter		All
19/4/22	School reopens		All
19-20/4/22	Year 3/4 outdoor activity residential at Borwick Hall	Letter will be sent out next week	Y3/4
w/c 9/5/22	KS2 SATs week		Y6
16-20/5/22	Year 6 trip to France	Letter will be sent out soon	Y6
27/5/22	Break up for half term		All
6/6/22	Platinum jubilee day	School closed	All
7/6/22	INSET day	School closed to pupils	All
8/6/22	School reopens		All
13/6/22	Sports day	Save the date	All
14/7/22	Key Stage 2 production - 1:30pm and 6:30pm	Save the date	All
20/7/22	Year 6 leavers' assembly	Save the date	All
20/7/22	School closes for the summer		All