



The Caton Chronicle

Autumn Term Newsletter: 8th December 2023

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Wonderful worker

Class 1: Lyra
Class 2: Yegor
Class 3: Pippa
Class 4: Harris

Super citizen

Class 1: Astrid
Class 2: Darcy
Class 3: Noah
Class 4: Mackenna

Golden pen

Class 2: Aila
Class 3: Rose
Class 4: Evie

Team points

1st Place: Blue 45
2nd Place: Green 37
3rd Place: Yellow 35
4th Place: Red 17

New arrival

We have some great news...Our parent governor, Hannah, has given birth to a baby boy, Cassian. Congratulations to the Chandisingh family.

St John's Hospice Fundraiser

On Wednesday afternoon, the whole school took to the running track to raise money for St John's Hospice in our 'elf run'. Thank you to everyone who supported this initiative and a huge well done to all the children who took part. We raised a fantastic £360.



Choir on Tour!

Congratulations to our choir who sang so beautifully at St Paul's Church on Tuesday as part of the pastoral service. They were brilliant ambassadors for our school. They will be performing next at Caton Baptist Church's 'Live Nativity' on Saturday. There will be live animals (yes, LIVE animals!), carols, food and more. Come along to hear the children sing at 2:15pm and 3pm.

Music Concert - Monday 9:30am

On Monday morning, at 9:30am, Key Stage 2 will be presenting their music concert. Class 3 will play their ukuleles, the school band will play, solo musicians will perform and the choir will sing. Don't miss this! Tea / coffee and mince pies will be served afterwards. We would love to welcome the wider local community into school - please help us to spread the word by passing on the invitation. Entry is free of charge.

Key Stage 2 meet best-selling author

On Wednesday morning, Key Stage 2 took part in a [Waterstones](#) author event with best-selling author Katherine Rundell. She shared some wonderfully frightening and interesting tales, as well as insights into her story-writing process. We hope that she has inspired some of our budding authors!

Shrek - Wednesday 13th December

We are all very excited for our whole school trip to Blackpool on Wednesday to see Shrek the musical. To ensure that we arrive in plenty of time we need to leave school early. Could all children please be in school by **8am prompt**.

Nativity Play - 20th December

Tickets are now on sale for our reception and key stage 1 nativity play on Wednesday 20th December at 1.30pm and 6pm. Please support our children after all their hard work to prepare for this.

Christmas Lunch

There is still time to order your Christmas lunch for Friday 15th December. All replies must be in school by Monday at the latest.

Christmas Fair

What a wonderful school community we have! There was a brilliant atmosphere at last night's fair and we have never known so many people join in with the fun! Huge thanks to the PTA who worked so hard to make it a success, to our families for your support and to our Year 5s and 6s for their excellent games, created in woodwork lessons. We raised a whopping £1639! This is huge for our small school and speaks volumes about the strength of our school community.



Sports Clubs

Please note, next week will be the last week for multi-skills and parkour club as things will be a little too busy in the last week of term.

Eco Club

This week, Eco-club has been out doing a wonderful job of cleaning up our village! They are so full of enthusiasm and ideas to model good environmental stewardship to the rest of the school. Watch this space for more activities in the future which may involve the whole school community!



Year 6 Reviews

In our ongoing series of reviews based on speeches which our Year 6 children gave at open evening, it is now the turn of Bithiah to tell us about performing arts.

“Hi, I’m Bithiah and I’m a Deputy Prefect. My time at Caton has always been great, but my favourite part is performing. In key stage 1 we do a nativity play every year . In key stage 2 we do a summer production every year. Last year we presented “The Wizard of Oz ” and the year before that Peter Pan. We have a real stage and stage lights and proper mics that make it feel really professional. At first it’s a bit scary but Miss W, Mrs C and Mrs B help us feel confident and once we get into the swing of it, it’s really fun. The summer production is the highlight of my school year. But we don't only do plays and productions, for in class 3 we learn an instrument. Last year class 3 learnt the keyboard and this year they are doing the ukulele. Each year we also have choirs that go and perform in things such as Young Voices and Lancaster singing festival. We can also learn instruments in school provided by Lancashire Music Service. If you join our school, I hope you will enjoy performing as much as I do.”

DIARY OF EVENTS - 2022/2023

Date	Event	Action	Who
09/12/23	Live Nativity at Caton Baptist Church	Choir to be there at 2pm. Collected at 3:45pm.	Choir
11/12/23	Christmas music concert in the sports hall at 9:30am	Please join us and bring family and friends. Coffee and mince pies will be served afterwards.	All
13/12/23	Whole School Theatre trip to Shrek at Blackpool Winter Gardens	Please make payment on Parentpay asap	All
15/12/23	Whole school Christmas lunch		All
20/12/23	Reception and KS1 Nativity - 1:30pm and 6pm	Save the date	All
21/12/23	Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Christmas parties	Information to follow	All
22/12/23	School closes at 1:30pm		All
15/1/24	Closing date for Reception applications for September 2024		Pre school
08/01/24	School reopens		All
16/01/24	PTA New Year Disco 3:30-4:30 R/KS1; 5:30 - 7 KS2		All
16/01/24	Online safety information evening for parents - 5:30-6:30pm	Please save the date - A parent from EVERY family is strongly encouraged to attend this very important session	All
23/01/24	KS1 multi-skills event - Carnforth High	Information to follow	KS1
01/02/2024	Class 2 and 3 Water Workshops	N/A - conducted in school time	Class 2 and 3
08/02/24	PTA Pancake fun - straight after school	Information to follow	All
08/03/24	PTA Parents' breakfast from 8.30	Information to follow	All
09/02/24	School closes at 3:15pm		All
19/02/24	School reopens		All
15/03/23	PTA bags to school	Save donations of clothes, bedding, bags etc. please	All
15/03/24	Red Nose Day - Caton's Got Talent	Information to follow	All
28/03/24	School closes		All
15/04/24	School reopens		All
15/04/24 - 16/04/24	Class 3 residential to Borwick Hall	Letter has gone out	Years 3 and 4
23/04/24	Whole school first aid training		All
07/06/24	PTA Outdoor Family film night		All

