

Newsletter

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Welcome back to all our children and families, old and new! We hope you all had an enjoyable summer and are looking forward to all the fantastic opportunities we have planned in the coming weeks and months. We are really looking forward to working closely with you.

Drop-off and pick-up

Thank you for supporting the children with positivity and enthusiasm at the start of each day this week. It has been busy at drop-off and pick-up points, but this will quieten down over the coming weeks.

Now that the children have managed well over the last three days, please can we ask that you discuss an area at/near one of the gates that you can meet your child. For our Year 3 children, we know this might take a little longer however, we do ask that you begin to make pick-up and drop off a littler further away from the classroom each day/week; this will help the children to become more independent and it also stops the outdoor area being

too busy and overwhelming for both parents and children. We always have our pastoral staff at the gates, so any children who cannot see a parent can wait safely with them. We have told the children they must not leave and if unsure, they must wait.

Year 3 children, like the rest of the school, will have been shown their main entry and exit point this week so next week they will be using that. Please do ask one of the members of staff if your child is a little unsure or can't remember next week when you arrive. We do ask that parents to not stand directly outside the classrooms at the start/end of the day so that the children can start and complete their learning without any distractions.

If you have any worries or concerns, no matter how small, please do not hesitate to contact the school office who can pass on a message or ask the teacher to contact you. At the start of the day teachers are taking the register and greeting the children so please contact the office rather than go to the classroom door. You can also talk to our pastoral team, Mrs Cushing, Mrs Daniels, Mrs Arnold, - or myself and Miss Cambridge will be about to help.

We appreciate your support in making the children's start and end to each day safe, calm and prompt.

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As the winter months are heading this way and the weather will soon change, it is going to be very wet and muddy. Children will need to have a change of footwear in school so that they can continue to play out on the field. Please make sure they are clearly named.



PE Days

Key stage 2 will start PE next week. The children at Caister Junior School come into school on their PE day wearing their PE kit.

Year 3 - Wednesday

Year 4- Monday

Year 5- Thursday

Year 6- Friday

PE kits

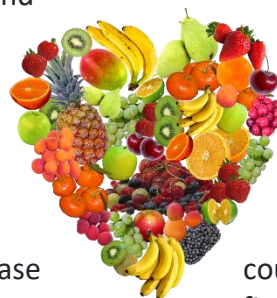
PE kits should be **house team colour t-shirt, royal blue shorts, plimsolls or trainers or a plain tracksuit.**

Meet the teacher.

Pop along from **3:10pm, on Thursday 14th September**, to meet your child's new class teacher in their classroom. Your child's teacher/s will be able to answer any question/queries you may have and your child can show you their classroom. Remember, we are here to support you so it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible.

Healthy Snacks

At Caister Primary Federation we recognise the importance of a healthy lifestyle and diet and understand that establishing a balanced diet in childhood helps to promote healthy eating habits for life. Please children not bring sweets or fizzy drinks in their lunches.



We encourage all children to bring in a healthy snack for morning break if they would like to. We also have tuck available which can be ordered at morning register or on the Pupil Asset app by parents/carers. The children can only order tuck if funds are available on the app.

* Please remember, no nuts or kiwi in lunch boxes due to serious allergies.

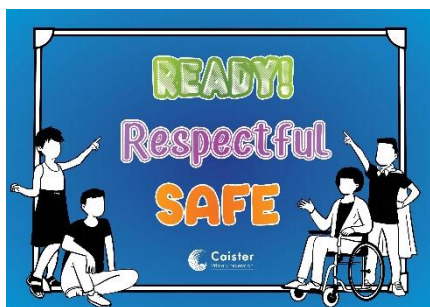
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Pastoral Team

Mrs L Cushing, Mrs N Daniels and Mrs P Arnold will be supporting the social and emotional well-being of our children. They will be on the playground almost every morning so please come and say hello. They will be available to chat over a cuppa to any parent/carer who would like support or a friendly listening ear. If you would like to contact the team at any other time, you can telephone the school office on 01493 378300 or email them at:
lcushing@caisterjunior.org.uk
ndaniels@caisterjunior.org.uk
tarnold@caisterjunior.org.uk



In school this week we have talked about setting goals and always doing our best.

As a school we are focusing on:

- Good manners
- High quality presentation
- Walking on the left in school

Please ask your child about their goals for this term and our school priorities above.

Celebrations

Pupil of the Week is awarded during our celebration assembly on a Friday. Awards are given to one child in every class by their teachers. The awards celebrate good work and behaviour, as well as examples of good citizenship and friendship to others or for any behaviour or activity that positively reflects the school values and show a good example to other children in school.

We also award two 'Recognition Awards' weekly which are children chosen by Miss Watling and Miss Cambridge because they have done something exceptional.

This will begin next week as we simply could not choose one child from each class this week as everyone has settled so well! Well done everyone!

Once a month (the last Thursday/Friday of every month) parents are invited to join us for celebration assemblies. In those assemblies we award 'Pupil of the Month' awards which are the awards where parents of those children receive a text to invite them along. However, all parents are warmly welcome to attend. Our first celebration assemblies for this academic year are:

Friday 29th September 8.55am Year 3 & 4
Thursday 28th September 8.55am Year 5 & 6


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Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 98.5%

Class	%	<p>Congratulations to 3S who are our Attendance Winners this week!</p> 
3D	99.2	
3E	100	
3S	96.15	
4BW	100	
4B	98.46	
4A H	96.00	
5JK	86.71	
5M	97.14	
5B	92.47	
6T	98.46	
6B	97.78	
6W	100	

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please call the

school on 01493 378300. If your child has a medical appointment during school time, please let the school office know in advance.

After School Clubs

Over the coming weeks the children will be told about different after school clubs offered and they can collect a letter if they are interested. Please note, there are limited spaces for each club and children are selected on a first come first served basis. We do have waiting lists for some clubs if they are oversubscribed.

Water Bottles

Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school each day. Please ensure that your child's name is written on the bottle to avoid confusion. Also, please ensure that the water bottle contains water rather than fizzy/fruit juice.

Allergies

If your child is having a packed lunch, please ensure that this lunch does not contain any type of nuts or Kiwi.



Contact Details

Please keep the school updated with any new contact details, including phone, email, and address as well as any changes in medical conditions.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working with you in the coming months.

Miss Watling

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