

Newsletter

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Dear families,

We have had another busy week of listening to speeches – this time for our House Captains and Vice House Captains! Earlier in the week the candidates had the opportunity to talk to their house teams about why they would be suitable for the role. They all prepared their own speeches and spoke about their aims and vision for their house teams.

Every child in school was then able to cast their vote. It was a tense time for all the candidates who all had lots of ideas to support their teams; we are very proud of all of them and would like to thank them for their hard work. The votes were collated and the teams are as follows:

Cavell

House Captain – Louie

Vice Captain – Luca

Haylett

House Captain – Frankie

Vice Captain – Theo

Martin

House Captain – Scarlett

Vice Captain – Bradlee

Nelson

House Captain – Harry

Vice Captain - Daisy

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. This week...

Pupil of the Week	
3D	Rose
3E	Lillie
3S	Joseph
4BW	Amy
4B	Jemima
4H	Kaycie
5JK	Ellie
5M	Teddi
5B	Harrison
6T	Lola
6B	Dillon
6W	Kevin

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

Amelia-Rose (Year 3) and **Louie** (Year 6).

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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.

Pupil of the Month	
3D	Harry
3E	Dexter
3S	Sophie
4BW	Ava
4B	Millie
4H	Aaliyah-May
5JK	Jeraldine
5M	Bella
5B	Poppy
6T	Anton
6B	Freya
6W	Jack
Hive	Mollie
Acorns	Henry

Our next celebration assemblies for this academic year are:

Thursday 30th November 8.55am

Year 5 & 6

Friday 1st December 8.55am Year 3 & 4


Playtimes

Children need a change of footwear for the field and play equipment – they will not be able to use this without a change of shoes.

Footballs must be left at home and only school footballs used at break and lunchtimes.

Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 92.95%

Class	%	Congratulations to 4BW who are our Attendance Winners this week! 
3D	93.2	
3E	93.45	
3S	89.6	
4BW	96.92	
4B	96.25	
4H	87.2	
5JK	87.5	
5M	97.5	
5B	93.79	
6T	89.23	
6B	88.57	
6W	93.08	

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Parent consultation evenings

On Monday 6th and Wednesday 8th November we look forward to welcoming you into school for our first parent/carer consultation evenings of the school year at Caister Junior School. Our SEND team will also be available should you wish to talk to them. You will also be able to visit the classrooms to see your child's books either before or after seeing your child's class teacher.

To request an appointment to see your child(ren)'s class teacher please [click here](#).

We ask that no children come along to parents' evening appointments to allow for an adult discussion about how the children are doing in school.

We hope that you can spend a few minutes sharing your thoughts with us as your opinion really does matter. There will be paper questionnaires each evening or the electronic version if you prefer - [Parent/Carer Questionnaire](#)

Thank you for your cooperation.



A special thank you goes to Jaxon in Year 5 who decided he would like to run an Halloween competition for his class. He designed the challenge and the poster to advertise it and after a careful look through the entries, he came up with four winners who he awarded prizes to himself!

Well done to all who entered with their 'spooktastic' designs!

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Ask me about.....

Year 3

Maths	We have been working on improving our addition and subtraction.
English	This week we have been looking at the Hippodrome Circus, we then worked independently to write some descriptive sentences about it.
Science	We have continued with creating a healthy plate as part of our nutrition work.
RE	We looked at the Hindu worship Puja and the Puja tray.
PE/Games	We practised cross country running this week around the field.
Geography	We have learnt all about co-ordinates on a map and designed our own pirate maps.
Computing	We have been working independently to log on and search the internet for Stone Age facts.
Art	We have been using watercolours to create paintings.

Year 4

Maths	We have practiced addition and subtraction of 4 digit numbers with more than one exchange and begun to look at written methods for subtraction.
English	We have continued looking at Varmints and have practiced personification and writing descriptive paragraphs. We have looked at Zombierella in Reading comprehension, and practiced our spellings.
Science	We have looked at teeth and learned about the functions of incisors, molars, pre-molars and canines.
PE/Games	Continued invasion games with hockey and rugby and developed our balance skills in gymnastics.
French	In French we have been learning how to describe people in French.
Music	We have been using body percussion to describe the different forest animals.

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Year 5

Maths	We have been working on our new Multiplication & Division Unit, particularly looking at common multiples and factors.
English	We have continued looking at Robot Girl by Malorie Blackman and used it to inspire our sentences with relative clauses. We have carried on with REading Comprehension and started our new Spelling unit.
Science	We carried on looking at thermal insulators. We made comparisons between different materials and measured the rate in which hot water cooled. We recorded our findings on a graph.
History	In History we have been finding out about religion in the Shang Dynasty.
Computing	We started our Online Safety unit with a lesson all about Spam.
PE/Games	Cross Country in games & Swimming
RE	We have been learning how Muslims show gratitude to God and what we are grateful for in our own lives.
PSHE	In PSHE, we learnt how our own behaviour can affect others when working in groups.

Year 6

Maths	We have been learning how to compare fractions by looking at the numerator and denominator.
English	This week year 6 have been learning about different monuments and have been preparing to design our own monument for Windrush.
Science	We have been learning about different kinds of blood vessels.
DT	We had a fun DT lesson this week! We created bridges out of marshmallows and cocktail sticks.
Computing	In computing this week, we learnt about streaming. We created a script for a YouTube video explaining about streaming.
Geography	We have been learning about the scales of maps. We learnt that if a map is more zoomed out, it is small scale map.
PE/Games	OAA and bench ball.
PSHE	In PSHE, we have created a class learning charter.

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Coral class

Coral Class thought about sleep hygiene this week- how important it is to have a good bedtime routine so that we can sleep well and therefore feel more energised and positive during the day. We learned about the importance of wind-down time without any devices on, so that our brains can relax and get ready to switch off.

This week we reached the point in our book "When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit" when the children move to Paris, so we found out some information about Paris and the landmarks that were there during World War 2. As a treat we then had croissants for breakfast on Friday, but an even better treat was having a special visitor for the day!

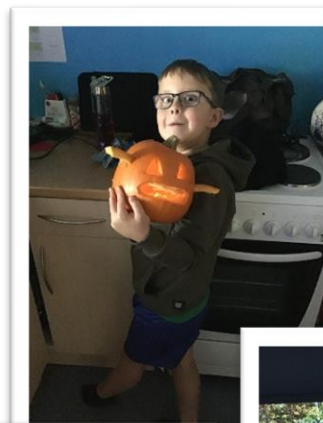
Huxley bunny came to see us and made himself very at home in Coral Class. The children were very calm around him and enjoyed feeding him some parsley and other treats.



Acorns

In Acorns this week we have been learning about why we celebrate Halloween and designing pumpkins. We are also still exploring Guy Fawkes and the 12 Gunpowder plotters, please ask your child about this and what they have discovered.

The children have been busy sharing their thoughts and experiences through the medium of sensory resources to explore emotions and how we react to big feelings.



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Key dates for the diary		
Friday 20 th October	End of this half term	
Monday 30 th October	Start of Autumn term 2	Children return to school today
Monday 6 th November	Dental hygiene screening	NHS information sheet and permission slip will be sent home on paper on Friday 13 th October to be completed and returned asap please.
Monday 6 th November	Parent consultation evening	3.30pm-6.30pm – See information above on this newsletter and in an email sent earlier this week
Wednesday 8 th November	Parent consultation evening	3.30pm-5.30pm – See information above on this newsletter and in an email earlier this week
November 17 th	Children in Need Day	Children can wear non-uniform, something yellow or something spotty for a donation.
21 st November	Year 6 Crucial Crew trip	More information to follow
WC 27 th November	RSE teaching week	The children will complete lesson 2 of the Relationships and Sex Education lessons during this week.
Thursday 30 th November	Year 5 & 6 celebration assembly 8.55am	<p>Once a month (usually the last Thursday – upper school/Friday – lower school) of every month, parents are invited to join us for celebration assemblies.</p> <p>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. There will be other celebrations such as golden book and pupil of the week too!</p> <p>All parents are warmly welcome to attend our end of month celebration assemblies – we hope you can join us!</p>
Monday 1 st December	Year 3 & 4 celebration assembly 8.55am	
1 st December	Christmas Decoration Day	More information to follow
8 th December	Christmas fayre	More information to follow
11 th -14 th December	KS2 Christmas performances	More information to follow
19 th December	Christmas dinner	More information to follow
Wednesday 20 th Dec	Last day of Autumn term	Children finish today for Christmas holidays

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I hope you all have a good half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back in school on Monday 30th October.

Miss Watling

New play equipment - King George field

The Parish Council would really like your support by voting for a plan for the new King George field play equipment. If you have not yet voted, please go along to the Rabbit Hutch to make your choice and sign your name; this will help when presented to the Council to bid for funds to carry out the work.

Plan A



Plan B



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