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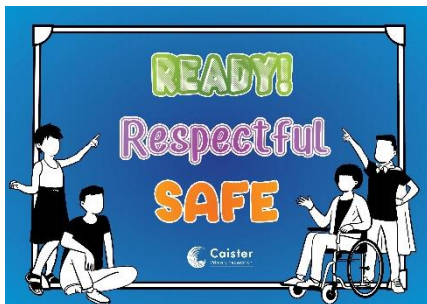
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Dear families,

Thank you to everyone who came along for sibling photographs after school this week. We will send portrait and sibling photos information in the coming weeks which will explain how to make an order.

It was great to welcome parents in this week to our first celebration assembly of the year for upper school. Friday 6th October (8.55am) will be our first parent/carer celebration assembly for Year 3 & 4 – we hope you can join us.

The children have completed their Christmas card designs this week and will be bringing them home. If you would like to order, please complete your order online and return the design to school by **13th October. We must have the design to be able to return it.**



As a school we are focusing on:

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

Safe parking

Please could we remind parents and carers that Kingston Avenue is a **no parking zone** between **8.00-9.30am** and **2.30pm-4.30pm**.

Many children and their families use Kingston Avenue to walk to and from school so please do not park in this area as it is congested and unsafe for those walking that route.

Please also remember to park considerably elsewhere, and not in front of our neighbours' driveways.



Reading diaries and reading at home...

The children will be bringing home their reading diaries in the coming days. Please could you look through them with your child to explore what is in them as there are some good hints and tips about reading with your child. Next week we will write to you to explain a little more about our reading diaries and reading at the junior school.


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Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 93.51%

| Class | % | Congratulations to 5B who are our Attendance Winners this week!  |
|-------|-------|---|
| 3D | 97.33 | |
| 3E | 94.84 | |
| 3S | 98.29 | |
| 4BW | 96.3 | |
| 4B | 92.31 | |
| 4H | 98.22 | |
| 5JK | 96.3 | |
| 5M | 98.81 | |
| 5B | 98.85 | |
| 6T | 89.74 | |
| 6B | 84.92 | |
| 6W | 94.83 | |

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.

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 | Henry |
| 3E | Nala |
| 3S | Sophie |
| 4BW | Nyla |
| 4B | Finley |
| 4H | Tyler |
| 5JK | Sophie |
| 5M | Sarah |
| 5B | Ezme |
| 6T | Bradlee |
| 6B | Jenson |
| 6W | Joseph |
| Acorns | Ella-May |

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 **Ida and Frankie** (Year 3) and **Tyra** (Year 5).

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

| | |
|------|---------|
| 5JK | Evie |
| 5M | Grayson |
| 5B | Pria |
| 6T | Darcie |
| 6B | Theo |
| 6W | Ollie |
| Hive | Lacey |

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Our next celebration assemblies for this academic year are:

Friday 6th October 8.55am Year 3 & 4

Thursday 19th 8.55am Year 5 & 6

Friday 20th October 8.55am Year 3 & 4

Ask me about.....

Year 3

The children have all been learning about continents in Geography so please ask them about this to help them recall the information. The more they talk about their learning, the more they will remember.

Year 4

The children had a great time on their trip to West Stow. Please ask them about their learning and the activities they took part in. Explaining their learning and answering your questions is a great way to show their understanding and help them remember more.

Please can the children have a change of footwear in school so they can continue to go on the field as the weather starts to change.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Watling

Year 5

Now that all the swimming assessments have taken place, some children will be starting lessons. If your child is having lessons in the first group, you will receive a text to let you know. Please talk to your child about how they got on when they went swimming.

Year 6

The children have been learning about column multiplication and short division in maths this week. Ask them to show you and talk through an example to help them recall their learning.

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| Key dates for the diary | | |
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| Week commencing 25 th September | Christmas card design order forms come home during this week | Each year the children design a Christmas card which they can have printed professionally. The order forms will be sent home this week with their design and various options for you to order should you wish to. You do not have to order if you do not want to. However, you must order online if you wish to make an order and all forms must be returned to the class teacher by Friday 13th October at the latest, as we have to send them off. |
| Thursday 5 th October | Year 6 height and weight checks | Year 6 parents/carers will have received an email regarding the NHS height and weight checks which will take place today. |
| Friday 6 th October | Celebration assembly Year 3 & 4 8.55am | Once a month (usually the last Thursday – upper school/Friday – lower school) 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. There will be other celebrations such as golden book and pupil of the week too! All parents are warmly welcome to attend our end of month celebration assemblies – we hope you can join us! |
| October 2023 | Black History Month | As part of their PSHE lessons, the children learn about diversity and discuss the importance of equality throughout the year. October is Black History Month where we learn about and celebrate the contribution black people have made over the centuries in shaping the dynamic and diverse country we have today. The theme for this year is..... |
| Monday 16 th October | Sit and see | We invite parents and carers to collect their children at normal time and then come to the classroom to see the children’s work and talk with them about their learning. |
| Thursday 19 th October | Year 5 & 6 celebration assembly 8.55am | Once a month (usually the last Thursday – upper school/Friday – lower school) 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. There will be other celebrations such as golden book and pupil of the week too! All parents are warmly welcome to attend our end of month celebration assemblies – we hope you can join us! |
| Friday 20 th October | Year 3 & 4 celebration assembly 8.55am | |
| Friday 20 th October | End of this half term | Children return to school Monday 30 th October 2022. |

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