



Important Calendar Dates

13th October – Flu Jobs

18th October – Individual
school photos

19th October – Year 6 Trip
to Wells Literature Festival

21st October – Halloween
Disco (More Information
to follow)

17th October – 4-6pm
Parents Evening

19th October – 4:30-
7:00pm Parents Evening

22nd October – Year 5
Optional Trip to Yeovil
Octagon Theatre

24th til 28th October -
Halfterm

31st October – Inset Day

Catcott News

Version 4 – 30th September 2022

Dear Families,

A Weekly Roundup

This week the children have been learning songs for our Harvest performances, voting for their school councillors and working hard in lessons. On the playground this week the children were playing football, hockey and netball. Mr Gower led an excellent skipping group, Mrs Needle enjoyed watching lots of performances on our stage and Mrs Darby has been teaching children how to play boules. As the Autumn weather begins to creep in, there were smiles and red cheeks all around. What a wonderful environment we work in.



Dojo

Throughout the term the children will receive Dojo points as rewards, these are given for things that we value as a school. These are counted and shared in assembly every week. On the Final Friday of each term the house with the most points will be rewarded with a muffy day. All children will be rewarded points in the following categories:

- Attendance: Every child receives a point for being in school
- Uniform: Every child receives a point for being in the correct uniform, this includes PE kit.
- Reading: If your child has read, they will get a Dojo point

We also award points for each of our 3 values:

Independence
Resilience
Thinking skills

Whole School Attendance Figures

26th September – 30th September

92.62% Attendance

(In 2021 our fourth week attendance was 94.98%)

Vacancies for Young Leaders

We have vacancies for Librarians and Play Leaders.

If you are interested in either of these roles, please write me a letter explaining:

- 1 – Why you would like this role?
- 2 - What you would bring to the role.

I look forward to reading all of your letters!

Lost Property

Our lost property bin is full already, if you think your child may have lost anything please check the bin at the end of the school day or when you collect from clubs.



Parents Evening

Parents Evenings are now available to book on ParentMail. If you need assistance making a booking, please email Mrs Dunford via the office and she will be happy to help.

If you require a separate meeting with our new SENDCO Mrs Burke, please email the office and we can arrange this for you.

Staff Profile

Get to know...

Mrs Dunford

Who am I? - Office Manager



A bit about me....

I grew up in Street, and then moved to London to attend the Royal Academy of Dance in 2012. Whilst in London I taught students who are now in some of the most prestigious dance companies/schools in England! I moved back to Street in 2017 and ran my own dance school 'Topaz Dance Studios'. I sold the school in July 2022 and now I am here 😊
 I have a crazy springer spaniel called Henry.
 I love going to the beach, hanging out with my friends, playing with all my nieces/nephews, and eating Chinese food!

My Favourite Book	Elinor Oliphant is Completely Fine
My Favourite Colour	Pink
My Favourite Hobby	Dancing
My Favourite Subject	PE
My Favourite Disney Movie	Ice Princess

Football Sponsor

We have an exciting opportunity for any willing local business – we are looking for a Sponsorship for our new Girls Football Team!

We would love to gain a sponsorship so the girls can have a new football kit.

If you are interested in supporting the girls, please send us an email at office@catcottprimary.co.uk

Catcott Football Team

Our Catcott boys team had their first match this week- before we had even started our training sessions! It was a hard game that showed true resilience, teamwork and perseverance. After a tough first half, the boys came back on with their heads up and played a fantastic second half with Alfred earning man of the match for some truly amazing goal keeping skills. The boys should be really proud of themselves, and I am looking forward to seeing them gain confidence as a team in our next few games.



It is great that so many children have signed up to our football club, including a girl's team. This year we will have entered a football league as well as tournaments, so everyone will get the opportunity to play in competitive matches throughout the term.

Clubs are back!

It was fantastic to see clubs starting again this week, Mrs Brogden and her Scientists had great fun completing 'Balloon Rocket comparative tests' – there were balloons and smiles everywhere.



Flu Vaccination Consent

We sent out a letter from the NHS Flu Jab team on the 29th September.

Please ensure you complete the link even if you DO NOT give your consent.

If you need a copy of the letter, it is also available on the school website.

Friday Running Club

It was great to see new faces at our Friday Running club. We are all well on our way to gaining our 5 mile certificate! We will be on the field every Friday morning from 8.30- see you there!



Sssshhh.....COMING SOON!

The Sorting Ceremony will be back soon, we are looking forward to sorting our youngest children into their houses for the year.

Details to follow.



This weeks Big Question...

TAKEHOME



How can we help those in need who are far away?



In the news this week

Pakistan has had the heaviest rainfall in decades. The United Nation's (UN) Secretary General has urged the world to help Pakistan, after flood water covered a third of the country. Starting an appeal to help the tens of millions affected by the disaster, Secretary General Antonio Guterres blamed exceptionally high levels of rain and climate change. The flooding has affected over 30 million people in Pakistan as the heavy rains have washed away roads, people's homes, and farms. Emergency services have been pushed to their limits trying to rescue those stranded and evacuate them to temporary housing.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share any experience you have of floods or flooding, have there ever been floods in your local area? What did people do to help?
- > Although they are far away, can you think of ways that you can help others who are in need? What help do you think the people affected need the most?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Yours sincerely,

Laura Constanza

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MULTI-ACTIVITY WEEK

**FOR 7 - 11
YEAR OLDS**
Cake Decorating
Bouncy Castles
Costume Making
And much more!
Monday 24 - Friday 28 October
9am-3.30pm. From £17.50 a day.

Early and late drop-off available (additional charges apply)

Strode College Sports Centre is running a Multi-Activity Week this Autumn. We will be organising an array of different sports, activities and entertainment for your children, run by fully qualified staff with a range of expertise.

For more information and to book, contact the Sports Centre on 01458 844408 or sports@strode-college.ac.uk

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday 24 October	Avon & Somerset Police Visit Sit in the car, sound the siren and try some kit on!	Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance Visit Meet the crew, find out what they do and ask questions.*
	Inflatable day Pirate themed castle, disco dome with Halloween music and a ball juggler inflatable - additional cost of £5.00 for this activity is included in the total price.	
Tuesday 25 October	Halloween Decorations Make your own to use for Trick or Treating at home!	Halloween Sporting Games How many points can you get for your team?
Wednesday 26 October	Halloween Costume Making How scary can you make your costume?	Make a Trick or Treat Sweet Basket Ensure it is big enough for all those goodies!
Thursday 27 October	Halloween Themed Games Pin the head on the skeleton. How many pumpkins can you get in the tub? Lots of fun to have!	Halloween Biscuit & Cake Decorating Decorate your biscuit or cake using Halloween themed colours. Prizes to be won!
Friday 28 October	Halloween Games and Kids Quiz With 'scary' prizes to win for everyone!	Halloween Disco Fancy dress optional - prizes to be won!

*This activity is dependent on call outs and emergencies - If Monday 24 is cancelled, the crew will try and visit again either on Tuesday 25 or Wednesday 26, meaning some activities may change days as a result.

Prices

- All week: £75 per child
- Sibling discount: £125 for 2 children
- Normal day: £17.50 per day
- Monday: £22.50
- Day charge: 9.00am - 3.30pm
- Early Drop off at 8am: £2.50 per child
- Late pick up at 5pm: £2.50 per child

Payment to be made at booking either by phone or in person.

 Please contact the Sports Centre for a booking form by calling **01458 844408**, emailing sports@strode-college.ac.uk or visit www.strode-college.ac.uk/activityweek
