



# Catcott News

54<sup>th</sup> Edition – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Dear Families,

March is finally and with it the signs of Spring are emerging around us – hopefully the weather will catch up soon!

This week the Scholastic book fair has once again been available, it has been wonderful to watch the children explore the range of books on offer, the fair will run until **Monday 4th March**.

Year 5 continued the foraging theme in Wilderness Warriors this week by creating their own 'Wild garlic pesto'. The children were amazed to find just how much they can forage and eat from their local environment.

Reception have once again been out and about in the community, this time purchasing ingredients to make gingerbread men. During this walk they looked for 'Signs of Spring' in the local area and practised how to stay safe when walking on the road.

We are excited to celebrate the forthcoming World Book Day on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Staff have all chosen a person from the 'Little People, Big Dreams' series of books and are eagerly planning activities for the children. I've heard that Dolly Parton and Shakira might both make an appearance, I wonder who else we will see....

Have a wonderful weekend!

Laura Constanza

Headteacher

*Laura Constanza*

## #1 School in the area that are accessing TTRS!

An amazing achievement from Catcott Primary School from TTRS!

Catcott is the #1 school in the area that are accessing TTRS at home. We are incredible proud of our keen learners. Well done everyone! 🎉

## Whole School Attendance Figures

26<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 24

94.50% Attendance

This week's attendance information:

<b>Reception &amp; Year 1</b>	<b>96.52%</b>
Year 2	92.92%
Year 3	98.80%
Year 4	93.45%
Year 5 & 6	91.89%

Houses –

<b>Robins</b>	<b>95.45%</b>
Goldfinches	97.10%
Woodpeckers	98.67%
Kingfishers	90.32%



# World Book Day

We will be celebrating **World Book Day**, next **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**.

Our theme this year is 'Little People, BIG DREAMS'. We are inviting children to dress up as a character that has a book published about them. Alternatively, children can dress up as someone who inspires them, and they believe should have a book made about them. We can't wait to see your creative ideas and do not expect families to buy expensive costumes!

A link to the website is here - [Little People, BIG DREAMS - Be Bold, Be Brave, DREAM BIG!](http://Little People, BIG DREAMS - Be Bold, Be Brave, DREAM BIG! (littlepeoplebigdreams.com)) ([littlepeoplebigdreams.com](http://littlepeoplebigdreams.com))

**WORLD BOOK DAY**  
CELEBRATE ON 7 MARCH 2024

Books available in shops from 15 February until 31 March 2024

Choose a brilliant book for FREE with your World Book Day £1/€1.50 book token.

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# WORLD BOOK DAY 2024



Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Little People, **BIG DREAMS**

Be Bold, Be Brave, **DREAM BIG!**



# Wanting to become of member of the PTA?

The PTA are holding a meeting next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 3:30PM in Year 1 classroom.

Please come along if you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would like to find out some more information

GET INVOLVED AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Join the Catcott Primary



Open to all parents, carers, staff, grandparents and the wider community!

## WHY JOIN?

### OUR Children BENEFIT

Organise fun activities like Discos, Movie Nights for the children, which enriches their time at the school.

### OUR SCHOOL BENEFIT

It is our mission to raise vital funds for the school, so the children ultimately benefit.

### CREATE CONNECTIONS

Organise social fundraisers, events and fun activities throughout the academic year, whilst developing strong relationships.

### YOU BENEFIT

Volunteering your time, talents and energy while socialising with other parents is fun, healthy and rewarding. Great friendships are created.

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Contact us to Join Today  
01278 722527

office@catcottprimary.co.uk

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Catcott School PTA

# TLE Easter Camp

TLE will be returning to Catcott this half term to provide their Easter Camp.

Please visit – [www.tlesportscoaching.co.uk](http://www.tlesportscoaching.co.uk) for more information.

# Forest School Easter Holiday Club

Wembdon St George Primary School are running their popular Easter Holiday clubs.

Open to ALL Primary school age children.

They have 2 lengths of stay from 8:30AM – 5:30PM / 9:00AM – 3:30PM.

Please visit - [www.primary-forest-school.co.uk](http://www.primary-forest-school.co.uk) for more information.



**FUN-filled, Action-packed Active-Camps**

During The

## Easter Half Term



2 weeks of Activities

9:00—3:00pm

£16.00

Per Day

Catcott Primary School, TA7 9HD

Monday 2nd to Friday 5th April/Monday 8th to Friday 12th April

Extra time available: 8am-9am, 3pm-4pm

For more information visit: [tlesportscoaching.co.uk](http://tlesportscoaching.co.uk) or call 07951 291471

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**WEMBDON ST GEORGE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



OPEN TO ALL PRIMARY  
SCHOOL CHILDREN  
RECEPTION - YEAR 6

## BRIDGWATER HOLIDAY CLUB

TUES 2ND - THURS

4TH APRIL

2024

**BUY NOW**

# Year 5 Forest School

Learning about one of our wonderful wild foods, and how to forage and cook over the fire requires a curious mind.

## Wild garlic

Children discussed the importance of healthy eating, and seasonal and wild foods.

Introducing wild garlic, and how it is a very heart healthy food which reduces blood pressure.

Explaining the methods to make wild garlic pesto, toasting sunflower seeds over the fire, and then crushing with the leaves in a pestle & mortar, and simple flatbreads-kneading dough in a bag.

In groups, the children made pesto & flatbreads, helping to cook breads on the fire. The children then ate the delicious breads with pesto!




# Somerset Youth Concert Band Easter Course

The Somerset County Youth Concert Band Easter course is taking place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

**It is open to brass, woodwind, and percussion players of grade 3 + standard or equivalent.**

Please view more information and locations on Somerset Music's website -

<https://somerseetmusic.co.uk/woodwind-brass-and-percussion-players-at-grade-3-standard-sycb/>

Details of the course -  [SCYCB Easter Wind Band Course 2024.pdf](#)

WOODWIND, BRASS & PERCUSSION PLAYERS  
GRADE 3 + STANDARD,  
JOIN SYCB AT THIS  
YEAR'S EASTER WIND  
BAND COURSE

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SOMERSET  
YOUTH  
CONCERT  
BAND



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REHEARSAL FRIDAY 12TH APRIL  
9.30AM-1.00PM WILLOWDOWN  
PRIMARY ACADEMY,  
KINGS DRIVE, BRIDGWATER, TA6 4FU

REHEARSAL SUNDAY 14TH APRIL  
3.00PM-5.00PM CEDARS HALL  
THE LIBERTY, WELLS BA5 2ST

CONCERT SUNDAY 14TH APRIL  
7.00PM-9.00PM CEDARS HALL  
THE LIBERTY, WELLS BA5 2ST

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## Book Fair so far!

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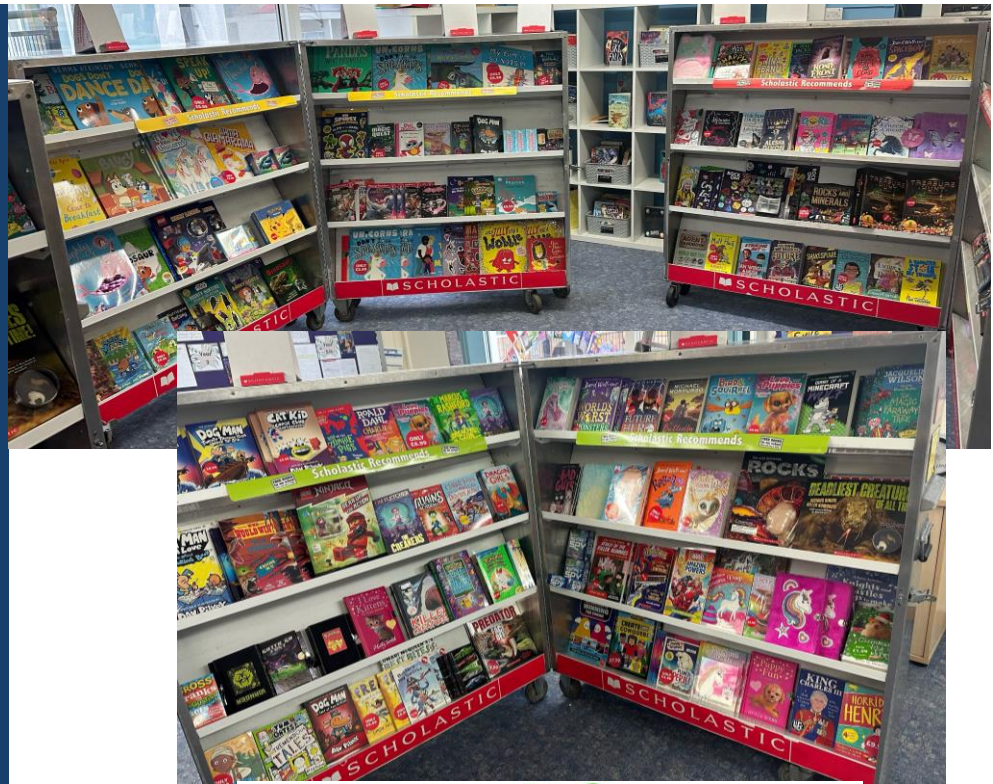
Our annual book fair is well under way and the children have enjoyed browsing and purchasing their books!

The last day of the Book Fair is Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March.

## Governor Vacancies at Catcott

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If you are interested in becoming a Governor, please reach out to us.



Catcott Primary School

### SCHOOL GOVERNOR VACANCY

We currently have two vacancies on the Governing Board at Catcott School and would be delighted to hear from anyone who might consider volunteering for this important and rewarding role.

No specific experience is needed to be a governor, and you do not need to have any connection with the school to be a valuable member of the governing board. What is needed is a desire to make a positive contribution to the local community. We are in particularly keen to gain board members with experience in HR, Finance and Education however we would love to hear from anyone willing to join the board.

The role involves attending up to eight evening meetings per year, plus occasional visits to see the school 'in action'. Full training is given, along with the opportunity to attend a range of additional development programmes.

If you think that you might have the time and the interest to join the Governing team and would like to find out more do please get in touch and we can let you have further information and answer any questions you have. Please call the school on [01278 722527](tel:01278722527) or email [office@catcottprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@catcottprimary.co.uk)

# Millfield Tennis Camps

Millfield are running a Tennis camp over Easter and Summer from 6 -14 years old; **0900-1600 inclusive of lunch and snacks**. The sessions are run by county level coaches and will focus on developing technical skills and mental toughness.

# MILLFIELD TENNIS CAMPS

This exciting camp is aimed at a range of players, from those who can serve, rally and score to those who aspire to compete in Grade 3 LTA tournaments. With coaching guidance, players will engage in singles and doubles match play, fostering tactical awareness and mental toughness. During drills, the programme will emphasise the development of technical skills. In addition, participants will have access to strength and conditioning exercises.

**What to bring:** tennis racket, trainers or tennis shoes, comfortable clothing and a refillable water bottle.

Nutritious lunches and snacks are provided.

#### DATES & TIMES:

8th - 12th April 2024  
29th July - 2nd August 2024

9:00-16:00

#### AGE GROUPS:

6 1/2 - 8, 9 - 10, 11 - 14

 Glastonbury Campus, BA6 8LD

**£325 per person**



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 **MILLFIELD**  
ENTERPRISES

# House Points

This week's House Points.  
Well done Robins!



**773**



**745**



**755**



**704**

# OPAL

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The children have loved using the scooters this week.



# March 2024

A new month!

## Upcoming Dates

Dates for your diary!

**2024 March**

**SPRING**

**\* Flowers of the Month \***  
Daffodil  
Jonquil

**\* Birthstone \***  
Aquamarine

**\* In History \***  
1855 - Charlotte Bronte Died  
1856 - The Crimean War ended  
1876 - Alexander G Bell invented the telephone  
1936 - The Spitfire made its first test flight

**\* Dates for the Diary \***  
1st - St David's Day  
4th - National Grammar Day  
7th - World Book Day  
8th - International Women's Day  
10th - Mother's Day (UK)  
17th - St Patrick's Day  
18th - Shakespeare Week  
21st - World Poetry Day  
23rd - World Maths Day  
27th - National Scribble Day  
31st - National Crayon Day

**\* Born in This Month \***  
3rd - Alexander G Bell  
6th - Michelangelo  
9th - Yuri Gagarin  
14th - Albert Einstein  
12th - Isabella Beeton  
20th - Dame Vera Lynn  
30th - Vincent Van Gogh

**3<sup>rd</sup> month of the year**

**31 days**

**Pisces Aries**

**SILLY SCHOOL EDUCATION**

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WEDNESDAY - SCHOOL EVENT

World Book Day  
All day

15

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FRIDAY - SCHOOL EVENT

Red Nose Day - Break the rules day  
All day

28

Mar

THURSDAY - SCHOOL EVENT

Eggs & Bake-on!  
All day

29

Mar

FRIDAY - SCHOOL EVENT

BANK HOLIDAY  
All day