



Calstock CP School Newsletter

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Autumn Term - Number 3 - 9th October 2020

School Council

Our newly elected school council for this academic year are:

Mikayla, Will and Alexa with Tilly, Lilla, Kensa and Etta.

We are looking forward to their ideas and input as the year progresses.

We also have an newly formed Anti -Bullying Ambassador Group led by Charlie in Year Six. The other representatives are Eris, Isabel, Finley and Jevan.

They will be promoting respect and peer support throughout the school following their training with the Diana award and are preparing an assembly that will be delivered to the whole school via zoom.

Important Dates

14th Oct - Flu Vaccinations

23rd-30th Oct - Half Term

13th Nov—School Photo's

Things to Remember

All children must have a coat and suitable outdoor foot-wear in school each day.

Please ensure all uniform/ coats has your child's name on it.

Water bottles and reading books should also be brought to school each day.

Class One News



Class One have been busy in Enviromania. They have been making Hedgehogs and Owls from natural materials and learning about how to create the right environments to encourage these animals into our gardens.



They are also learning about 'Where I Live'. This week they have made collages inspired by the local landscape.

In Science Class 1 have been testing which material would be best for Ted's umbrella!

We tested paper towel, plastic cloth, fabric and cardboard using pipettes to 'rain' on Ted. Everyone worked very scientifically and all agreed that the plastic cloth was best as it is waterproof and bendy to fold up in an umbrella. Super science Class 1!



Class Two News

In art, Class Two have been making Italian pots out of clay and Italian inspired tissue paper mosaics. In literacy, they have been planning and writing a story about Venice. They have also been looking at maps and had a go at making their own maps of the school.



Class Three News

This week, in literacy, Class Three have been writing stories inspired by Mayan Folk Tales.

They have also been designing and making their own Mayan headdresses or totem poles. The results have been very impressive.



End of Day Pick Up

In order to avoid congestion and unnecessary close contact, please could we ask parents not to arrive to collect children before 3pm. The gate to the playground will remain closed until 3pm.

Please can we also ask that any dogs are kept on a lead. We have pupils who are very scared of dogs and it is unnerving for them to encounter unsupervised dogs, even excited friendly ones, as they arrive and leave school.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation

School Photographer

The school photographer will be visiting school on Friday 13th November.

This year, due to social distancing, the photos will be individual pupil photos and we won't be able to offer sibling group photos.

More information will be available closer to the date.



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs Monday-Friday during term time. Children are provided with a healthy breakfast and have time to play and do art and craft activities before the start of the school day.

After half-term we will be offering a two tier cost option.

7.30am start -£3.75 a session

8am start (Without breakfast) —
£2.00 a session

If you would like to book your child into Breakfast Club please contact the school office or email:

secretary@calstock.cornwall.sch.uk

School Dinner Price Increase

Unfortunately, from next week the price of school dinners will increase slightly to **£2.40** per meal. We continue to work hard with the catering company to keep the cost of dinners down.

Free School Meals

Do you think your child may be eligible to Free School meals due to low income or benefits entitlement?

If you think you may be eligible please follow the below link to check.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/application-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/>

This funding not only allocates a free meal but also enables the school to access vital additional funding to directly support your child's education.

If you need any help filling in the form our require a paper copy please contact the school office.

Health Concerns

Please can we ask all parents to be vigilant and monitor their children's health as the term progresses.

As Autumn sets in we will inevitably see an increase in colds. Please remember your child must not be sent to school with a temperature or a persistent cough. If you are in any doubt please contact Ms Hardy in the school office for advice. Or seek medical guidance by calling 111.

This is especially important due to the risk of Covid -19 but of added significance as we have a family in our school community who are especially vulnerable to infection due to a health condition.

School Uniform Donations

Unfortunately we cannot currently accept donations of second hand school uniform. Thank you for all your previous donations. We will explore ways that this service may evolve over the coming months



Please make your child's teacher aware of any egg products, including food items in lunch boxes, egg boxes and bird nests that have been brought into the school.

Thank you

Diary Dates 2020/ 2021

Autumn Term 3rd September 2020 - 18th December 2020

Half-term 26th October 2020 - 30th October 2020

Spring Term 5th January 2021 - 1st April 2021

Half-term 15th February 2021 - 19th February 2021

Summer Term 20th April 2021 - 20th July 2021

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May

Half-term 31st May 2021 - 4th June 2021

Training day closures are: 4th January 2021, 19th April 2021 and 21st July, 22nd July, 23rd July 2021.