



# Caythorpe Chronicle

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024

## Mrs Madge's Retirement

After over 26 years at Caythorpe Primary School, Mrs Madge has made the decision to hang up her keyboard to retire. It's time for her to spend more of her time with her family and friends, and particularly her young grandchildren. We all miss the presence of Mrs Madge on a Wednesday alone but are happy for her and wish her all the best for her retirement.

We are currently in the process of appointing for the vacancy. Mrs Madge has kindly offered to support her replacement to help make the transition as smooth as possible for the school and our families.



Mrs Madge by Ibrahim (Age 5)

## Enchanted Forest or Enchanted Jungle

The children of Enchanted Forest had two Big Bangs for this term's theme "Deep in the Jungle!" An early Big Bang when they visited the Yorkshire Wildlife Park at the end of last term to prepare them in seeing animals whose habitats are naturally within a jungle.



In school the children dressed up with an animal theme. They made binoculars to spot creatures in the rainforest, cheeky hanging monkeys and a lion for their door to scare away any intruders!



## Considerate Parking

Could we please ask that parents/carers dropping off at the beginning and end of the day park with consideration for the safety of others. This means not parking on the yellow zig zag lines to the front of school and also not parking on pathways which enter the back of the school.

## Egyptian Explorers

Narnia's Big Bang was linked to their Egyptian topic "What have we learnt from the Ancient Egyptians?" The children engaged in a range of activities and workshops.



The children looked at Egyptian masks and coffins and created their own for an Ancient Egyptian pharaoh. The children also enjoyed the opportunity to make Egyptian flat bread. Lots of good reviews of how it tasted too!



"I liked making the masks and I tried to make a snake head dress for an Egyptian pharaoh," said Isla. Henry said, "I liked getting messy when we made the Egyptian bread because it stuck to my hands." Freya enjoyed the designing of the face mask and coffins and the bread because it was fun. The children will go on to learn about the process of mummification, Ancient Egyptian beliefs and Howard Carter's discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb.

## Whatsapp

According to OfCom, Whatsapp is used by more than half of 3- to 17-year-olds in the UK (including 1 in 3 8- to 11-year-olds). If your child uses Whatsapp to stay in touch with family or friends, the #WakeUpWednesday guide attached this week offers a guide to the key details the service provides for parents to support their children in using it safely and appropriately. Particularly, the "live location" and "chat lock" features.

At Caythorpe Primary School eSafety and encouraging safe use of the internet and social media, feature within our Computing and PSHE curriculum. We also arrange for age-appropriate workshops from the Local Authority. When questioned, the children know what to do if they see or receive anything online or via social media.

We share #WakeUpWednesday and local authority information and workshops to support our parents/carers in keeping your children safe online.

All children are made aware of our CLEAR procedure – of which no child has had to use due to the effectiveness of our network monitoring and filtering systems.

Have you seen something online which shocked you?

# CLEAR it!

## C

Stay Calm!



## L

Leave the laptop or device (hide the screen)

## E

Explain to the teacher what you have seen

## A

Action – Inform leadership team and parents

## R

Reassure and Report



## Sports Day

Sports Day is on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June. It will begin at approximately 9.15am. Parents, carers and family are welcome to attend and should arrive with the children at 8.40 so we are able to lock the gates prior to the event for the safety of the pupils. The events should be completed by 11.30am.

Refreshments of tea and coffee will be available for a small donation. Could children please come dressed in their PE kits for the event.



Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day – parents welcome

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – School Games Day

Fri 28 June – Non-Uniform for a tombola donation

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Y4,5,&6

Residential to the Hollowford Centre, Castleton

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 3 farm visit

Friday 5 July – Narnia & Active Ambassadors

Community Games Day

Friday 5 July – Rec/Y1/Y2 visit to Belvoir Castle

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Enterprise Week

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 3.20pm New Reception visit with parents

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> July New reception visits pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – French day

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Caythorpe School Fayre 1-4pm

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Rock Steady Performance

Tuesday 16 July – Hogwarts visit to SWRA to see Bussy Malone

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – 2.20pm Y6 leavers assembly

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – End of term awards 11.15am and whole school picnic



## Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Well done, to Hogwarts yet again, for their attendance of 96.7% last week. Well done!

Whole school attendance was 88%. This is below the national expectations of 96%.