



AFRICAN
DRUMMING
P3

WELCOME

Welcome to another jam-packed edition of In Focus.

I am always so proud of the many exciting activities our pupils get the opportunity to experience and enjoy – In Focus provides you, as our families and friends, with a brief insight into what a usual school day is like at Catmose Primary.

Thank you to all of you who continue to support the school by attending assemblies and parents information evenings, plus ensuring your children have the equipment they need each day.

Kelly Jackson

Head of School



MEET THE STAFF

Name: Hannah Cousin

Class: Beech and Cedar

Favourite Food: Italian, pasta, pasta pasta!

Favourite Drink: The biggest hot chocolate, no cream but loads of marshmallows.

Favourite place in the world: On a beautiful beach with my hubby and crazy daughter Amelia.

Best Teaching Memory: When I was put in the stocks and wet sponges thrown at me on the beach in Cyprus for the PTA

Best Joke: What do you call a cheese that's not yours?
Nacho cheese

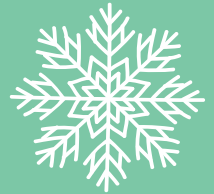


HOUSE SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

On the 12 February the children took part in our House Competition- the House Spelling Bee.

Well done to all who took part representing their house in their year group.

Well done also to each year group winners.
What super spellers!



PUPIL INFORMATION SHEETS

Data sheets with your contact numbers, addresses and medical details have been recently sent out for you to check, this ensures that we have the most up to date information for your child. If you have not returned this to the main office, can we ask that you do so as soon as possible, thank you.

YEAR 6 FIRST AID TRAINING

Year Six, Willow Class, undertook their First Aid training this term. It is important for our oldest pupils to know these invaluable skills.

CPR, treating cuts and burns and how to call for help are just a few examples of the skills learnt.



AFRICAN DRUMMING WORKSHOP

On 7 February each class took part in an African Drumming workshop led by Keba, thanks to the Rutland Music Hub for their help in organising this. The children had a fabulous time learning about the drums and playing songs together.



FOCUS ON: OAK CLASS

Oak Class have been working incredibly hard so far this year – the biggest focus being becoming independent KS2 pupils! We are so proud of all our Oak Class pupils.

We have enjoyed working in the new Science lab and IT suite, developing our investigation and computing skills.

We have already been on many trips and visits, the most recent being to the Botanical Gardens in Leicester – we took part in a Christmas food trail linked to our delicious Food topic.



MEET THE KS1 READER

Name: Mia

Class: Beech

Book: The Golden Touch

Author: Roderick Hunt and Alex Brychta

Review: I like Biff and Chip books- I get more from the library too. My favourite character is Floppy because he does funny things.



MEET THE KS2 READER

Name: Finn

Class: Willow

Book: The Beast of Buckingham Palace

Author: David Walliams

Review: It's really good with loads of funny descriptions. I've read lots of books by David Walliams - he is one of my favourite authors.



MEET THE STAFF READER

Name: Mrs Coyne

Class: Deputy Head of School and English Leader.

Book: The Nowhere Emporium and The Train to Impossible Places

Author: Ross MacKenzie & P.G. Bell

Review: I have only just started these with book club, but they both have really gripping starts with magical goings-on and I can't wait to find out what happens!



DIARY DATES 2019/20

STARS ASSEMBLY - EVERY FRIDAY AT 9.15AM

All family and friends welcome.

Why not buy a raffle ticket for 20p and have a chance of winning the PTA weekly cake?

CLASS ASSEMBLIES - SHOW AND TELL DURING STARS ASSEMBLY:

Ash Class: 26 June
Beech Class: 24 January / 1 May
Cedar Class: 31 January / 15 May
Oak Class: 12 June
Redwood Class: 19 June
Silver Birch Class: 6 March
Willow Class: 13 March

CLASS LUNCHES:

Join your child for School lunch. Lunch must be booked in advance via ParentPay.

Oak Class: 19 March 12.30pm
Cedar Class: 7 May 12.10pm
Beech Class: 11 June 12.10pm
Ash Class 2 July 12.00pm

PARENTS EVENING

3 March 4 - 6pm / 5 March 5 - 7pm

OAK & REDWOOD CLASS PRODUCTION - **24 MARCH 2PM & 5.30PM *NEW DATE***

CATMOSE DANCE SHOW - 11 MARCH 5.30PM - CATMOSE COLLEGE THEATRE

MAY DANCE EVENT - 22 MAY 10.30AM - FOLLOWED BY A PICNIC LUNCH ON THE FIELD WITH FAMILIES

SUMMER FAIR - TBC

SPORTS DAY - 24 JUNE - KS2 MORNING SESSION / KS1 AFTERNOON SESSION

SILVER BIRCH & WILLOW CLASS PRODUCTION - 1 JULY 2PM & 5.30PM

PRIZE GIVING ASSEMBLY - 9 JULY 9.15AM

SUMMER BBQ LEAVERS MEAL - 9 JULY - Children only

LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY - 9 JULY 2PM

OAK CLASS FISH KEEPING

Year 3, Oak Class, have been taking part in an exciting 'fish keeping' project in collaboration with Maidenhead Aquatics.

The children have set up a tank, and have now introduced their new fish to the tank.

All classes will be able to see the tank when taking part in their Science lessons in the Science lab.



SPORTING EVENTS

Thank you to all our hardworking teams who, with their combined good effort and sportsmanship, have already gained 4th place for the school overall in the Rutland Primary School league. Go Team Catmose!

BOCCIA KURLING

Many congratulations to our Boccia team of Keira, Chloe, Hollie and Archie who triumphed in the recent Rutland Schools tournament and will go on to represent Rutland in county competitions.

Boccia is a target ball sport which tests both muscle control and accuracy. From a seated position, players propel balls to land as close as possible to a white marker ball, known as the jack.

The team's win was as a result of matches played over a period of 4 weeks and their hard work and practice certainly paid off. Well done!



GYMNASTICS

Recently our gymnastics team took part in a competition at the Active Rutland Hub at Ashwell.

The team won lots of individual medals and our Year 1 and 2 team came first in their round and will now go on to represent Rutland in a competition against Leicestershire schools.

Well done to our Lower KS2 gymnasts who took second and fifth team place out of 17 teams in their inter-school competition. Many individual medals were also won.

Congratulations to all those who took part, they competed very well, showing excellent sportsmanship.

