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WELCOME

Welcome to the second edition of InFocus for the year 2023 2024.

We have had a super start to the school year with lots of exciting trips and events during Term 1 and Term 2. As we head towards our Christmas celebrations we thank all our pupils, parents and carers for your help and support during these busy times. Please continue to check Class Dojo and your emails for any updates from school.

Kelly Jackson • Head of School

BEECH AND CEDAR CLASS CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

Our wonderful KS1 pupils performed a lovely nativity 'Prickly Hay' for a jammed packed audience. With super singing voices and brilliant acting, the children retold the story of the first Christmas. What a great show!











ASH CLASS CHRISTMAS SHOW

Our youngest children in Ash Class wowed family and friends in their lovely Christmas show 'Everyone loves a baby' These children have been in school for only 12 weeks, yet they sang, danced and performed with such confidence! Well done.







COMMUNITY GOVERNOR VACANCY

We are looking to expand the breadth of experience and skills we have on our governing body. We are seeking people who are good at listening, asking questions and have the time to commit to 15 hours over a 12 month period. The role of a governor is non-executive, to provide strategic leadership, support and challenge to the Head of School. You would be joining our team of volunteer governors who guide and offer expertise in areas such as business, law, finance and marketing. If you, or anyone you know is interested in becoming a community governor, please contact the school office on office@catmoseprimary.com and we can arrange a tour of the school and an informal chat with Mrs Jackson. We do not need parent governors at this time as these positions are currently full.

MEET THE STAFF!



Name: Rosie Role: Kitchen staff Favourite food: mash potato Favourite place in the world: Home Best joke: What is a snakes

favourite subject at school? Hissssstory!

SYNAGOGUE TRIP

Silver Birch and Willow Class enjoyed a visit to a local Synagogue as part of our RE curriculum. They were all very interested and showed superb manners.



HARVEST TEA



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At the end of Term 1 the children wowed their friends and families by performing a lovely range of Harvest songs and poems in a special Harvest Stars Assembly. The children then did it all again in the afternoon, but this time for a special audience – our VIP guests. Whilst the children sang, our VIP guests were treated to a yummy homemade afternoon tea. The tables were decorated with carefully made placemats, menus and decorations. Our VIP guests very much enjoyed the afternoon and all fed back to say how polite and caring the children were.





SPORTING UPDATE

Mr Noronha and the sporting teams have been very busy this Autumn with many events. As ever, Mr Noronha is not only proud of our sporting efforts but also of the children's attitude and sportsmanship during the events. Well done team Catmose!

Here we have our KS2 Indoor Athletics team who took part in a recent heat, winning a place at the finals.



Our KS2 football teams recently took part in inter school tournaments, winning lots of games. Well done!







CHILDREN IN NEED

Well done Catmose Primary. The children were invited to wear 'crazy hair or hats' with their school uniforms to support Children in Need 2023. The children brought in small change donations and filled a large Pudsey Bear. With the PTA cake raffle added, we raised an amazing £267.4!



WING HALL FARM TRIPS

Year 3 and 5 were the first classes to enjoy the annual class trip to Wing Hall Farm. Taking part in a ranger of activities, the children had a great time, learning all about a working farm and nature.



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DIARY DATES 2023/24

STARS ASSEMBLY - EVERY FRIDAY AT 9.15AM Open to all to attend each week. This starts at 9.15 each Friday.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES - SHOW AND TELL DURING STARS ASSEMBLY:

Please come along to your child's class Show and Tell assembly, these are at the beginning of a Stars Assembly. Ash Class: 21 June Beech Class: 22 March Cedar Class: 8 March Oak Class: 17 May Redwood Class: 3 May Silver Birch Class: 26 January Willow Class: 2 February



CHRISTMAS LUNCH - THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER - All year groups. Children Only

PARENTS' EVENING Tuesday 5 March 4 - 6pm / Thursday 7 March 5 - 7pm

OAK & REDWOOD CLASS EASTER PRODUCTION - TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2PM & 5.30PM



MAY DANCE EVENT - FRIDAY 24 MAY 10.30AM

Each class performs a dance with every child taking part. A May Queen and May King preside over the ceremony

SPORTS DAY - 19 JUNE - KS2 MORNING SESSION 9.30AM / KS1 AFTERNOON SESSION 1.45PM Reserve date - 27 June

SILVER BIRCH & WILLOW CLASS PRODUCTION - WEDNESDAY 3 JULY 2PM & 5.30PM

SUMMER BBQ LEAVERS' MEAL - THURSDAY 4 JULY - All year groups. Children only

LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY - THURSDAY 11 JULY 2.30PM

PRIZE GIVING - FRIDAY 12 JULY 9.15AM

