



# Calton Playgroup and Primary School Newsletter

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## Acting Head Teacher News



### PE kit and School uniform

I am pleased to share that the school hoodies are now live and can be purchased from Monkhouse. Please be reminded that these hoodies are **NOT** school uniform jumpers but are now part of the PE kit and to be worn for that purpose. Any child who comes to school in a school hoodie when it is not PE will be reminded and a text/conversation will be held with the parent.



We are not expecting parents to buy them before September 2021 but wanted to update you just in case you wished to purchase one. Of course this will be added to the school uniform list for September. We have noticed an increase in the number of children not in the correct uniform. School uniform is the following:

- Grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore
- White polo/shirt
- Red sweatshirt/cardigan
- Sensible black shoes
- PE Kit: House colour t-shirt (Red/Blue/Green/Yellow), black shorts, black Plimsolls/Trainers (no black soles indoors), black tracksuit bottoms (outdoors)



Please can we ask that parents support this. If you are experiencing difficulties with the uniform, please let us know as we may be able to help.

### Covid-19

As we slowly ease out of lockdown the government has provided schools with their road map. Whilst schools will have the same guidance, how they work with this is based on their individual circumstances and should not be compared to each other. Please can I ask that if you have any questions that you direct them to the school rather than social media so that we can address them first hand.

We are very much looking forward to being able to offer after school clubs after the May half term. You should have all received the latest club list for signing up. This, for us as well as you, allows us to begin to get back to 'normal!' Of course we will continue to have Covid measures in place. **Jane Barker-Doe, Acting Head Teacher**



## Calton Playgroup News

This week we have been thinking about our mental health. This year's theme is nature, which is very fitting as we come out of lockdown and have more opportunities to get outside. We have played outside chasing our friends and searching for mini beasts. We have been busy tending our broad beans and carnations, they are growing well.

While playing we have taken time out to listen to the birds chirping in the trees and listening to the hailstones as they bounce off the roof and we try catching them and counting them before they melt in our hands.

It is the end of Ramadan and we have been talking about Eid and how the children are going to celebrate the festival at home with their families.

### **Nursery rhyme this week**

**Diddle diddle dumpling, my son John**

**Went to bed with his trousers on**

**One shoe off, and one shoe on**

**Diddle diddle dumpling, my son John.**



Some quotes this week from the children: "I love your unicorn top" "I can help you do your zip up" "Do you want to play with me?" "I'll help you push the chair in" "I'll give you some of my playdough"

Have a lovely weekend whatever the weather and remember "if you can be anything in life, be kind"

**Jackie Swankie, Playgroup Manager**



## Key dates for your diaries



### 2021

**Due to current government Covid guidelines please note that the parent sports mornings will not take place this year**

28th May	End of Term 5
7th June	Start of Term 6
7th June	After school clubs start this week
21st & 22nd June	School Nurses in for Reception Screening (Height, Weight, Vision)
30th June	Class & Playgroup Photographs
5th July	Last week of after school clubs
12th - 14th July	End of Year School Reports emailed out to parents
16th July	End of Term 6

### 2021 / 2022

6th September	Start of term 1
27th Sept - 1st Oct	Y6 Residential to Condoover Hall
22nd October	End of term 1
1st November	Start of term 2
10th November	Individual Pupil & Playgroup Photographs
17th December	End of term 2
4th January 2022	INSET DAY, school closed to pupils

### Reporting Pupil Absences

If your child will be absent from school due to illness, please telephone the school office, before 9am, stating child's name, class and the nature of the illness.

**01452 527689**

### Medical Appointments

We understand that hospital appointments need to be attended at times offered, however, **we ask that routine Doctor and Dental appointments are made out of school hours.**

### Year 6 Bikeability Course

Year 6 have the opportunity to complete a Bikeability course. This will take place at school during the week beginning 28th May. The cost is £8.50 each.

**Please reply on Parent Pay by 17th May.**

Please remember that this is a course to teach the children road safety. It is not a licence to ride on the road.



Training is delivered on behalf of the school by Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall, Gloucester, GL1 2TH. Tel. (01452) 425926  
email [roadsafety@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:roadsafety@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

### Healthy Snacks at School

Please can we remind you that children should bring fruit or vegetables for a mid-morning snack.

**If they bring grapes ,or similar fruit/vegetables ,we expect these to be cut in half lengthways to avoid choking.**



### Nut Allergies

We currently have children in school with a nut sensitivity.

**In order to minimise risks, no nuts/nut products are to be brought in to school due to possible allergies.**

Thank you



**"Confident People Shining; developing skills for life, supporting each other in our team, achieving our best and always showing respect because successful learners are the STARS at Calton Primary School."**



**Skills Team Achieve Respect Success**



# DoodleMaths



Well done for working so hard on your home learning.

## Top Doodlers of the week

- Year R** Madany, Saniyya, David
- Year 1** Alex, Jonah, Aayan
- Year 2** Mamadou, Rayyan, Brooke
- Year 3** Almila, Sarah, Demi
- Year 4** Zaina, Riley, Wiktor
- Year 5** Tobias, Lakshmi, Jameel
- Year 6** Nathan, Charlotte, Aaron



## Doodlers in the Green Zone

- Year R** Madany, Adifi, Cephora, Thomas, Laila, Saniyya, Michael, India, Layla, Olivia, David, Lils, Emily, Imogen, Ayesha
- Year 1** Alex, Phoebe, Jonah, Adam, Aayan, Victoria, Oscar, Lyvona,
- Year 2** Mamadou, Jude, Alexander, Rex, Miya, Rayyan, Ranish, Imogen, Nathan, Brooke, Lilianna, Rafael, Damian, Felicity, Jacoby
- Year 3** Almila, Zack, Elliot, Samuel, Sarah, Harveer, Demi, Noah, Theo
- Year 4** Zaina, Jona, Kaine, Benaiah, Matthew, Cerys, Amelia, Elliot, Leyla, Sebastian, Anna, Wiktor, Thomas, Rhemmy, Macie, Harvey, Adam
- Year 5** Tobias, Isabelle, Corben, Jameel
- Year 6** Nathan, Tyrese, Aisha, Katie, Holly, Mason, Charlotte, Ethan, Aaron, Kaena, Jai



# Doodle English

Well done for working hard on your Doodle English.



## Top Doodlers of the week

- Year R** David
- Year 1** Victoria, Alex
- Year 2** Alexander, Rayyan, Damian
- Year 3** Harveer
- Year 4** Wiktor, Zaina, Leyla
- Year 5** Isabelle
- Year 6** Tyrese

## Doodlers in the Green Zone

- Year R** Emily
- Year 1** Aayan
- Year 2** Rafael
- Year 3** Sarah, Bayley
- Year 4** Matthew
- Year 5** Tobias
- Year 6** Mason



## Families Gloucestershire Magazine

Click on the link below to access a free magazine for families in Gloucestershire. There are dozens of fun activities, ideas, tips and entertainment options in the magazines.

[Families Gloucestershire May/June 2021](#)

# Playgroup Learning



Eid celebrations marking the end of Ramadan



Our broad beans are growing so tall and have lots of flowers on them



Investigating mini beasts



## After school clubs are back!



Our wonderful teachers have worked hard to put on a variety of clubs to interest the children. The letter and time table have been emailed to all parents. Children can choose 1 club from their year group. **Please make your first and second choice by the 21st May**, ensuring that the child's full name and year group are selected on the form.



**Clubs will run for 5 weeks from the week beginning 7th June - week ending 9th July**



## Batten Disease Awareness Day - 9th June 2021

We would like to raise awareness for Batten disease whilst helping one of our families and all the other families with children with Batten disease.

I started crocheting orange hearts and thanks to staff members, I have some help too. We have 400 crochet hearts but need more as the aim is for every child, member of staff and governors at Calton Primary School to take an orange heart home on the 9th June - Batten Disease Awareness Day.

If you want to join us by crocheting/knitting orange hearts your help would be really appreciated. Please contact us by emailing [yearone@caltonprimary.co.uk](mailto:yearone@caltonprimary.co.uk)

Let's...Ready, Steady, Crochet!

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