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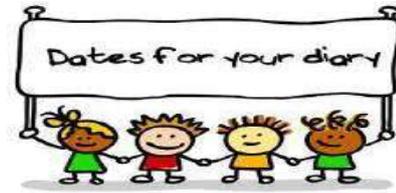
Friday 9th January 2026



Happy New Year and a warm welcome back to our pupils and families and welcome to our new families too. We are looking forward to holding more events for opportunities to welcome parents and carers into school, so please take a moment to check out added dates to the diary for parent workshops and subject focus days.

The next FSA meeting has been changed to Tuesday 20th January, to be held at school at 2pm – all are welcome to come and share ideas and offers of support at our fundraising events. Last term the FSA raised just over £1000 to go towards trips and extra-curricular experiences for our pupils.

Thank you all for your continued support. Mrs Hunt



Friday 30th January -KS1 and 2 Kombat event at Nocton

Change of date - Tuesday 20th January – 2pm FSA meeting

Friday 6th February – Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics Competition

Thursday 12th February – Governors meeting 5pm

Friday 13th February – End of Term 3

Monday 23rd February – Term 4 begins

Monday 23rd February – Online Safety Workshops

Friday 27th February – Cricket sessions begin

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Friday 6th March – Class and Group photos

Thursday 2nd April End of Term 4

Monday 20th April – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 21st April – Term 5 Begins

Monday 11th May – Year 6 SATs week

You can subscribe to our online calendar [Caythorpe Primary School](#) – click the subscribe button.

For term dates for the year and 2025-26 are available online. [Term Dates – Caythorpe Primary School](#)

Beavers are Recruiting



Caythorpe Beavers need you!

We now have 18 Beavers in our colony and as one of our leaders has recently left us and moved to a different section, we are in desperate need for at least one new leader to join us.

If you're able to give a little of your time, or even if you'd just like to find out more about what's involved, please let us know. No previous experience is needed and full support and training will be provided.

Our Beavers truly thrive because of the adults who volunteer and we'd love to welcome someone new into the team.

Polly Bowman

Adam Russell



Hogwarts had the top attendance with 94.4%.

The local authority may issue penalty notices to parents of pupils who have **10 unauthorised** absences. Late arrival after registration closes at 9.30am without a reason is classed as an absence. Whole school attendance since September is 94.4%. National expectation is 96%.

Mr Coleman Update

Mr Coleman was discharged from hospital in time for Christmas with his family. For which he was very relieved. He is doing well and continues to convalesce at home.

☀️ Narnia's Science Big Bang! 🌍

We had an exciting time answering our enquiry question: "How are rocks formed?" through four hands-on experiments:

🔍 What does it look like?

The children explored lots of different types of rocks, observing their colours, textures, and patterns.

👉 Hard or soft?

We tested rock hardness by scraping them along sandpaper. If bits of the rock were left behind, we discovered it was soft!

💧 Permeable or impermeable?

Using pipettes, the children dropped water onto rocks. If the rock absorbed the water, it was sedimentary and permeable.

⚖️ Dense or buoyant?

Finally, we dropped rocks into water to see if they would float or sink, learning about their density. The children were brilliant scientists—asking questions, making predictions, and recording their findings! 🧪



Father Christmas has been and we are aware many pupils have received new devices. As you know, we regularly update with WakeUpWednesday with advice on social media/technology in this ever-changing world! There are no exact rules about the right age to give your child access to technology. Every child's different and will mature in their own time. Parents are making choices about whether and when to grant greater independence and freedom.

Whether you're handing down an old device or buying your child a new bit of tech, it's important to think about:

- The age you give your children their own device.
- The access your child has to online platforms and services.

We regularly speak to children and their families about access to technology and consider this alongside what evidence tells us about its impact.

The NSPCC have some helpful tips for parents in managing their child's access relevant to their age and development.

[Children and technology: Age-appropriate usage advice NSPCC](#)

Social Media Age Restrictions

The age restrictions for social media apps are as follows

- **Facebook:** 13+
- **Instagram:** 13+
- **Tik Tok:** 13+
- **Roblox:** 10+ on Google Play Store, 12+ on Apple App Store
- **YouTube:** 13+
- **Twitter/X:** 13+
- **Snapchat:** 13+
- **WhatsApp:** 13+
- **Pinterest:** 13+

These age restrictions are important for ensuring the safety and wellbeing of children and young people online. Parents and guardians are responsible for monitoring their children's use of these platforms and ensuring they adhere to the age restrictions