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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020



Dear Parents/Carers

### This week's sporting news ...

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February the Year 5 & 6 girls' football team spent a very wet afternoon at BES playing in the tournament. They played really well and lost in the final to Shifnal. Well done girls for your stamina and stickability.

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March our Year 3 and 4 boys' football team played at OWS and went through to the finals against St Johns. They lost on a Sudden Death penalty shoot - this was really bad luck. Well done boys for playing brilliantly and for fantastic behaviour even though you were disappointed.

Some aspects of the Winter Games went ahead on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Some competitions were postponed due to floods on the outside pitches. Castlefields represented East Shropshire in the basketball and played a fantastic set of matches. They won every game but they lost in the final to Langley.

In the afternoon Castlefields represented East Shropshire in the Sportshall Athletics competition and again came second. This means East Shropshire are in the lead but the top 3 teams are only 4 points apart. There are still more events - the Cross Country on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March (your child will have received a letter if they are taking part) and the Tag Rugby on 24<sup>th</sup> March. We are not involved in the Tag Rugby.

### Chocolate Bingo

This was a really successful evening and raised an amazing £539! Thank you to all who attended and the PTA who worked hard to organise such a lovely family event. I could still smell the chocolate on Monday morning.

### School Lottery

This week's winner is Mr Neville. Don't forget to sign up to the lottery if you have not yet done. It is an easy way to support the PTA and bring some revenue into their funds which continue to help our children enjoy their education. Next PTA meeting is on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at the Woodberry Inn.

### Home Learning - Car of the Future

The two school winners of the Car of the Future competition are Dillon Kelcher for Key Stage 1 and Emily Wootton Key Stage 2. They will receive a school prize. The entries have all been sent off to Furrows and we await the results.

### World Book Day

We had another fantastic day of reading and sharing stories with wonderful costumes. Well done to all family members who worked so hard on costumes. Sarah Baker came in to read the story she has written - Catapult Kid - to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The children enjoyed the story and some children bought a signed copy of the book. There is still time to order a signed copy - please see slip below.

During the afternoon, John Procter shared some of his novel that will be published soon with Year 6. There was a real buzz about reading all day which was great to see. Please keep up the interest levels in books and reading. Remember reading unlocks so many other areas of learning.

### Travelling Books Book Fair

From Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March the Book Fair will be open before and after school. Please sign up to help if possible.

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## Year 4 Swimming

Today is the last Year 4 swimming session for now. The next 3 weeks will be taken up with swimming gala trials and practices for the team. Letters will come out about this on Monday.

Year 4 will then have 3 more swimming sessions: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April (last day of Spring term), Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May.

## Fundraising for childhood cancer

Farren Edwards in Year 2 has been given special permission to have his head shaved to support his friend Tilly Russell. He has a fund-raising page at [www.givey.com/farrenshheadshavefortilly](http://www.givey.com/farrenshheadshavefortilly) if you would like to support him.

It was lovely for Tilly to come into school on Wednesday. We hope to see more of her soon.

## Measles, chicken-pox and shingles

One of our pupils is receiving medical treatment which puts them at risk if they are exposed to measles, chicken-pox or shingles. Please let us know immediately if your child is suspected of having measles.

Our pupil is also at risk from chicken-pox and would need to have an injection withing three days of contact. If your child is suspected of having chicken-pox you should let us know immediately.

It is also important to let us know if there is shingles in your household. I know you will want to do your best to keep our pupils as safe as possible. If you have any worries or concerns or suspect any of the above illnesses please pop in and talk to me.

## Bridgnorth Walk

This year the Bridgnorth Walk team will raise funds for the Harry Johnson Trust. This has been chosen by the Russell family and all the money goes to children who are being treated for cancer at Telford Oncology unit. The team usually split the sponsor money, half to school and half to the chosen charity. Kelly Woodcock is happy to lead the team again. More news to follow.

## Running Club

Hopefully Running Club will have started today. This is really good training for children who are doing the Bridgnorth Walk or any other sporting competition. We could do with a few more adult volunteers who would need to get a school DBS. The volunteers all have work commitments and other appointments and cannot make it every week. If we had a bank of volunteers it would be easier to staff. Please speak to Jo Drinkwater or myself if you have capacity. **YOUR SCHOOL RUNNING CLUB NEEDS YOU.**

## Coronavirus Recommendations

Please see the guidance poster on the back of this letter or separately if you access the letter on the website. We are looking carefully at options about how to ensure children can access work if school had to shut. The options we are considering is: to send work out via email; to set up a school facebook page which would have lots of security around it; to set up a learning platform through Telford and Wrekin. We will keep you updated as and when we can. Please can you make sure you have returned your email address slip.

If you would rather email the office at: [admin@castlefields.org.uk](mailto:admin@castlefields.org.uk) with your address that would be good.

## The Big Pedal and Walk to School Week

From 22<sup>nd</sup> April until 5<sup>th</sup> May it is the Big Pedal when children are being encouraged to cycle or scoot to school. Please be mindful of wearing helmets and road safety around this.

Walk to school week is from 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> May. The weather should be getting warmer by then. Let's see if we can have record numbers of children walking to school each day or driving a short distance and walking if you live a long way away.

## Sport Relief

Next week is Sport Relief week. On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 (helpers) will be taking part in a Colour Run. This links with the Festival of Holi which is a festival of Colour. Letters have been sent out about this. Children will be sponsored and the money will go the a Leukaemia charity.

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 will all be doing a fun run for charity. Children need to come to school in sports kit that could get muddy. They need to bring a donation. This event will take place in the afternoon.

Hopefully we might have some better weather this weekend. At least the mornings and evenings are getting a bit lighter and there are a few signs of spring with crocuses and daffodils starting to blossom. Have a restful time.

Yours sincerely

*J. Hampson*

Mrs J Hampson

Headteacher



**Email Form**

Please use the following email address for school correspondence:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Carer of that email: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Book Fair Helpers**

I can help with the following:

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| Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March   | 3.15 pm - 3.45 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March | 8.30 am - 8.50 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March | 3.15 pm - 3.45 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March  | 8.30 am - 8.50 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March    | 8.30 am - 8.50 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March    | 3.15 pm - 3.45 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March    | 8.30 am - 8.50 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent of: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ORDER FORM**

**RECEPTION YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 - THE CATAPULT KID BY SARAH BAKER**

Please reserve a copy of the book Sid ... The Catapult Kid for my child:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I enclosed £6.99  (Cash/Cheques payable to Sarah Baker)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent / Carer)

