

Bad Weather Procedure

During periods of severe weather such as heavy snow, we may need to close the school at short notice. The decision to close the school is only taken after a number of factors have been taken in consideration, such as local weather forecasts, highways information, health and safety and discussions with other local Head Teachers. We also have to ensure that sufficient numbers of staff are able to get to school. Should it become necessary to close the school the following will happen:-

- You will receive a text message (please ensure the school office has your up to date contact details).
- A message will be put on our school website
www.catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk.
- A message will be on one of the following local radio stations:-
BBC Hereford and Worcester 104FM and 94.7FM
Free Radio 97.6FM and 102.8FM
- A message will be on the Worcestershire Hub web site:
www.worcestershire.gov.uk.
- We will put a message on twitter



Dates for your Diary



Autumn 2 Half Term

All after school clubs have now finished

Monday 11, Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 Decembe.

EYFS & KSI Christmas Plays – ticketed event.

Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13, Thursday 14 & Friday 15 December

Crib Visits to Catshill Methodist Church (see below for details)

Thursday 14 December

Christmas Lunch

Friday 15 December

School Council Christmas Fayre (Children only, held during school hours)

Friday 15 and Monday 18 December

Reception visit to Bluebrooke Nursing Home

Friday 15 December 2.45pm

KS2 Carols for Parents – no tickets required

Monday 18 December

Attendance assembly including Recorder and Guitar performances

Class Christmas Parties (see below)

Tuesday 19 December

Last day of term – full school uniform on this day

Wednesday 3 January 2018

Back to school - Spring 1 Half Term

Cribs Visit Dates

Tuesday 12 December

9.30am - Class 3MB

10.00am - Class 3S

1.15pm - Class 4J

1.45pm - Class 4M

Wednesday 13 December

9.30am - Class 2CB

10.00am - Class 2F

Thursday 14 December

1.15pm - Groups from EYFS

Friday 15 December

1.15pm - Class 1DF

1.45pm - Class 1M

If you are able to help out and support us on these visits please see your child's teacher. Thank you.

Reception and Year 4 Transfer Applications

Just a reminder that all applications for Reception places and Year 4 transfers must be completed and returned to County by the deadline of

15th January 2018. Please apply online at

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Please note that you still need to go through this admission process even if your child already attends our Nursery. The children are not automatically allocated a place in this school.

Many thanks.

CATSHILL METHODIST CHURCH CENTRE

CRIB FESTIVAL

11-16 December 2017

Opening Times

Monday 11th
2pm-4pm

(15 minute dedication)

Tuesday 12th

2.30pm-4pm

Wednesday 13th

2-4pm, 6-8pm

Friday 15th

10am-12noon, 6-8pm

Saturday 16th

10am-12noon including

CAROLS AROUND

THE PIANO

Get into the Christmas spirit this Advent!

Come and see crib scenes created by schools and community groups in Catshill, plus a display of different nativity sets from people's homes.

Coffee Bar open during viewing times. Free WIFI.



Christmas Eve, Sunday 24 December:
10.30am Morning Worship
4.30pm Christingle Service
11.30pm Christmas Eve

Christmas Day Service, Monday 25 December, 11am

Value for the month - Courtesy

Dear Parents and Carers

Well done to everyone who made it through the snow today! Please see our bad weather procedure overleaf.

As this month's value is courtesy, I'd like to say:

Thank you

- for all the lovely home learning that has been arriving over the last half term. There are some super examples and we look forward to sharing some of the in assembly
- to all the parents who read with their children regularly - it really makes a difference to their progress
- for bringing your children to school every day and on time. We are looking forward to awarding our second Kindle prize to one of our children who has had 96%+ attendance this year on the last day of term
- to all those who have supported with costumes and learning lines for the Nativity plays - we are looking forward to welcoming parents to all our Christmas events next week

and

Please

- remember that the age grading on films and games is there for a reason. We know that at this time of year, children nag for the latest game and often say that their friends have a particular game or have seen a film that is too old for them. The age guidance is there to protect children from seeing things that are not suitable.
- make sure that we have your correct contact details. If you've changed your phone (or if you have a new one for Christmas) please update our office so that we can get hold of you in an emergency
- think of us if you are having a clear out before or after Christmas of (good quality) toys, books or games that we might be able to use on school or sell at one of our sales

Enjoy the snowy weekend



Mrs Georgia Plant
Head of School



Follow us on Twitter @catshillfirst



01527 872913

office@catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk



Class Parties

Could we please remind you that if you have not yet signed up for your food contribution towards the Christmas class parties, the sign up sheets are outside your child's classroom. Please see your child's teacher if you have any queries.

Party clothes and/or Christmas jumpers can be worn all day.
Many thanks for your support.

What a fantastic time we had at our Christmas Workshop, our Christmas Tree looks amazing!
Thank you all for your hard work and support and a massive **Thank You** to Co-Op Catshill for their kind donation of cakes and biscuits.

Thinking ahead...
...topic names for next term:-
Reception
To Infinity and Beyond
Year 1
Paws, Claws and Whiskers
Year 2
Towers, Tunnels and Turrets
Year 3
Enter the Nile
Year 4
Traders and Raiders



ATTENDANCE YEARS 1-4

	W/c 27.11.17			W/c 04.12.17	
Target	96%		Target	96%	
School Attendance	90.8%		School Attendance	93.1%	
Classes above 96%	2CB and 3S	😊	Classes above 96%	NO CLASSES	😊
Class with most lates:	2CB	☹️	Class with most lates:	1DF	☹️
Class with least lates:	4M with NO LATES	😊	Class with least lates:	1M & 4M NO LATES	😊



www.catshillfirst.co.uk