

# CASTLETHORPE FIRST SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the half term break. This half term already looks busy with lots of exciting things happening.

**The photographer** has already visited to take a photograph of the whole school in a new and more informal format. The more traditional whole school photograph will still be taken in the summer term.

**Councillor McPake** visited school yesterday together with Emma Carrick from Milton Keynes library to present the school with a cheque for £100. This was for winning the prize for the school with the greatest increase in pupils taking part in the Milton Keynes library summer read last summer. The money will be used to buy more books for our library.

**Red Nose Day** is on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Children may come to school in non school uniform for the day, (maybe something red) for a donation which we will send to comic relief.

**Help:** Mrs Parsons would really like some more helpers for the afternoon of Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March. This time to help build moon buggies ... wheels axles and junk modelling. Suitable boxes and donations of silver foil would be most welcome as soon as possible

**The Reading Evening** which unfortunately had to be cancelled will now take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm until about 8.15pm. The evening aims to share some of the strategies used to teach reading throughout school and how parents can support this at home. If you would like to attend please return the slip below to help with seating and refreshments.

**Parents Evenings** this term will be on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April between 3pm and 5pm and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April between 5pm and 8pm. An appointment time preference slip will be sent out nearer the time.

**The Easter bonnet parade** will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 2.30pm. This year we would like the children to make their hats at school before parade. There will be lots of things for the children to use to decorate their hats, but they may like to bring a hat in to form the base of their design.

**The Ofsted Report** is now on the ofsted web site. You can find a direct link from the school website: [www.castlethorpeschool.co.uk](http://www.castlethorpeschool.co.uk)

**Cooked lunches** have continued to be very popular. It is really helpful if menu choices are returned to school each Wednesday so as to give time for them to be processed and forwarded to Acorn. The meals are a set menu and children are encouraged to try all the parts of the meal they have chosen

**Village Logo:** The school was invited to design a logo for the village 'Open Garden' event to be held in June. Jasmine Flach was presented with £10 book token today for her winning design.

Yours,

Julie Baldwin

I/we, will be/ will not, be attending the reading evening on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March

Signed .....



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