

INFORMATION FOR NEW PARENTS

We would like to welcome you and your child to Catton Grove Primary School. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

The school day

- The school day runs from 8.45am to 3.30pm for Reception to Year 6
- Morning Nursery is 8:30-11:30am and Afternoon Nursery is 12:30-3:30
- Pupils should not arrive on school premises until 10 minutes before their start time unless attending breakfast club.
- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 drop off and collect from outside their classrooms
- Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 drop off and collect from the playground.

If your child is late for school please report to the main school office on Weston Road.

Access to School

- The gates on Weston Road, Hunter Road and Middleton Close are open until 9.15am and from 3.20pm for your convenience.
- During the school day please use the main entrance on Weston Road.

School Uniform

- Sweatshirt / Cardigan - Navy with school logo (Iron on school logo can be purchased from school office)
- Poloshirt - White or royal blue with or without school logo
- Trousers/ Skirts - Black / grey
- Footwear - Black shoes
- School Dresses - Blue check/ grey/ black

PE/Games Kit

- Plain black or dark blue shorts/ tracksuit bottoms / leggings, dark blue t-shirt, plimsolls/ trainers.
- Swimming costume (not bikinis), swim shorts or trunks, swimming hat, towel (Year 3 to Year 6 only).

The following items are available from the school office

Price from 1st September 2024

- Iron on school logo £1
- PE t-shirt – blue with school logo £4.50
- Bookbag – navy £3.50
- Swimming Hat £1.00

Make up and jewellery are not permitted other than stud earrings which must be removed for PE. Please clearly label all clothing.

Breakfast Club & After School Provision

Breakfast Club is available from 7.30am in the hall at a cost of £1.50 per session.

After school provision is available, Monday to Thursday from 3.30pm to 4:15pm at £3 OR 3:30 to 5pm at a cost of £6.

Class Dojo

We use Class Dojo to communicate with parents, you will need an email address to sign up.

School Meals

- Meals are cooked on the school premises by NORSE, they can be ordered each day in class.
- Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will receive a FREE school meal.
- Meals for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 children cost £1.60 per day, £8 per week.
- Payment should be made at the school office in advance, cash or cheque only.
- Please see the latest menu for more information.

Your child may be entitled to free school meals if you receive Universal Credit (with an annual earned income of no more than £7,400), Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income-related Employment & Support Allowance, Support under Part 6 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999, the guarantee element of Pension Credit, Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit) or Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit & an annual gross income of no more than £16,190).

Please apply online <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-andmilk> or contact the school office for an application form.

You may provide your child with a packed lunch, no fizzy drinks or glass bottles please. We are a **NUT FREE** school, no nuts or chocolate spread with nuts please.

Medical Care

Please let the school know if your child has any allergies or health problems. If your child needs medication that has been prescribed by a doctor please discuss this with a first aider and complete a permission form.

Pupils suffering from asthma will need a named inhaler in school, you will be asked to fill in an asthma card. Children should be kept at home for 48 hours following sickness or diarrhoea.

Please ensure that the school has your up to date telephone numbers in case of emergency.

Attendance

It is important that your child attends school regularly and on time. Please telephone the school on the first morning of any absence (01603) 426728, select option 1 to leave a message on the absence line or option 5 to speak to the school office. Try to make medical appointments after school or in the holidays and do not keep your child away for the whole day.

Holidays in term time

Please complete a leave of absence form. Government legislation means that schools are no longer permitted to authorise holidays in term time. Holidays will therefore be recorded on the school register as an unauthorised absence unless written evidence of exceptional circumstances is provided. Unauthorised absences could lead to a fixed penalty notice of £60 per parent per child.

Educational Visits

We try to offer a variety of different trips, excursions and activities to enhance the children's studies. These take place at various times of the school year. We have a policy whereby we ask parents to pay a contribution for each trip. This covers the costs of travel and entrance fees for day trips.

We also offer occasional residential trips for children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and a sleepover for year 2.

Bicycles

Bicycle sheds are provided at the front and back of the school. Please ensure your child has the appropriate safety wear and provide a cycle lock. Cycles and scooters are left at your own risk.

More information

Please see our school website at <https://www.cattongrove.norfolk.sch.uk/> for more information, the latest menus, newsletters and school policies.