

Head Teacher News

It certainly now feels like the end of the summer term - not just because the sun is shining -but because school is a buzzing hive of activity. From visits to sports events to rehearsing for Calton's Got talent to getting ready for end of year performances it truly is never ending!



I have had the pleasure this week of showing quite a few visitors around school and they have all complemented us on the fantastic atmosphere there is. Whenever I take people to look at what we are up to I have not let any classes know I am on my way and so the fact that visitors to Calton are able to be so genuinely kind is testament to the hard work of all the staff but of course most of all to the children - as always being **STARS**.



As we get very near to the end of the academic year (don't forget that we are in on the 22nd and 23rd July) then I would love it if during the summer break all our children get down to a library in order to complete the reading challenge which is set up this year (more information in this newsletter) - all based around rockets - then they can continue reaching for the STARS even in the long holiday period! I know I have my books lined up ready to read.

Happy reading!

Sarah Bunce



Class Attendance Figures

Mrs Short is our School Attendance Officer. Each week, in whole school assembly, the class/es with the highest attendance percentage and the most improved attendance are praised and presented with an award to keep in their classroom for that week. Mrs Short would like to say keep up the great attendance and a big **WELL DONE** to each of the following classes:

Week 01.07.19 - 05.07.19

Indigo Class, Year 2 for achieving best attendance with 99.3%

Magenta Class, Year 2 for most improved attendance, achieving 98%

Week 08.07.19 - 12.07.19

Green Class, Year 1 for achieving best attendance with **100%**

Amethyst Class, Year 4 for most improved attendance, achieving 97%.



Reporting Pupil Absences

If your child will be absent from school due to illness, please telephone the school office, before 9am, stating child's name, class and the nature of the illness.

01452 527689

Medical Appointments

We understand that hospital appointments need to be attended at times offered, however, ***we ask that Doctor and Dental appointments are made out of school hours.***

Dates for your diaries



2019

16th July

17th July

16th July

16th July

18th July

18th July

19th July

22nd July

23rd July

2019 / 2020

4th September

23rd September

24th October

25th October

4th November

13th November

20th December

2020

6th January

13th February

14th February

24th February

3rd April

20th April

27th - 29th April

Y1 visit Weston Super Mare

Y2 visit Cotswold Wildlife Park,

Y2 Production 9.15am and 2.20pm

Table Top Sale & Soak the Teacher after school

Y3 Greek day

Y6 water fight after school

School reports

Y6 Production 9.30am and 6.00pm

End of Term 6

Start of Term 1

Y6 Residential visit to Condover Hall

End of Term 1

INSET Day, school closed to pupils

Start of Term 2

Individual Pupil Photographs

End of Term 2

Start of Term 3

End of Term 3

INSET Day, school closed to pupils

Start of Term 4

End of Term 4

Start of Term 5

Y4 Residential visit to Croft Farm, £45 deposit required by 8th July

Whilst we welcome siblings into school to watch assemblies and other performances we will also provide a crèche facility and would like to encourage parents and carers to use this. Younger children are very welcome to attend performances and assemblies however we appreciate that sometimes it is difficult to occupy them whilst watching the children. If you choose not to use the crèche facility and your younger child/ren are causing a disruption you will be kindly asked to leave the performance. Thank you.

Beat the Street

Discover Gloucester with Beat the Street from 26th June - 7th August 2019

Join the fun, free game and play with all the family. Win points and prizes.

See beatthestreet.me/gloucester for more information.

Calton are currently in 6th place on the leader board for Beat the Street

Healthy Snacks at School

Please can we remind you that children should bring fruit or vegetables for a mid-morning snack.

**If they bring grapes ,or similar fruit/vegetables ,
we expect these are cut in half lengthways to avoid choking.**



Picnic for parents & children on Friday 26h July, 12 o'clock

Mrs Smithson is organising a Calton Primary School Picnic at Robinswood Hill.

Meeting at the car park at 12. Bring a packed lunch, bring all of your children and meet with other mums and dads.

Also we are sending each child home with a Summer Challenge sheet, bring them back in September and we will see which class has done the most challenges.



PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We previously reported how important it is not to park on the yellow markings outside the front of school. This includes the yellow zig zag and single yellow lines. New signage is on display at the front of school to emphasise the rules and anyone parking on the markings could face a fine. We are monitoring the situation and the number plates of regular offenders will be passed on to the police. Can we also remind everyone to be considerate of our neighbours when parking on Calton Road.

Let's work together to keep our children safe on their journey to and from school.



The Summer Reading Challenge 2019 - Space Chase Saturday 13th July - Saturday 7th September



This takes place every year during the summer holidays. You can sign up at your local library, then read six library books of your choice to complete the Summer Reading Challenge. This year's theme is inspired by the 50th anniversary of the moon landings.

There are exclusive rewards to collect along the way, and it's **FREE** to take part! The Summer Reading Challenge website helps you keep track of your reading all year round: find new books to read, take part in competitions and play games. For more details please see:

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries www.spacechase.org.uk

Happy reading!

Collection from School

Please remember to let the school office know, as early as possible, if someone else will be collecting your child/ren from school (must be someone over 16).

You will be asked to provide a password that the person collecting must also give to the teacher. Thank you

Medical Information

Please ensure that you have informed the school of any medical condition or allergies your child may have. Asthma inhalers should be taken home at the end of each term to be sterilised.

Polite Reminder

No dogs are allowed on the school grounds, even if carried. Thank you



School Lunches

The cost of a school lunch is £2.34. We prefer you to pay using ParentPay if possible. Please contact the school office if you need log in details.

Children in Reception, Year 1 & 2 are entitled to universal free school meals.

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 need to pay for school meals unless entitled to Free School Meals.

Please note Free School Meal entitlement has to be applied for and is not offered to everyone. To find out which benefits qualify, please visit <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk> and search "Free School Meals".

Please note that on Tuesday 23rd July there will be a change to the school lunch menu.

The menu will be:

A - Fish fingers and chips

B - Cheese and pepper frittata and chips

C - Jacket potato and beans

Dessert will be:

Jelly and ice cream, fruit or yoghurt



Sports mornings 2019

Calton was able to hold 3 mornings of fantastic athletic events in glorious sunshine. The children held a non-competitive sports morning where they attempted different events and gained space team points for each event they attempted. These events included javelin, bench step ups, skipping, vortex throw, shuttle runs and Frisbee. It was great to see the children attempt the events then come back and try and better their previous attempts.



The week finished with sports mornings where parents attended. There were many events that the children took part in, they all were STARS, running with huge smiles on their faces. We thank the parents and carers for their support.



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develop imagination yourself

Calton Primary will be delivering an exciting new play programme called OPAL, where provision at play and lunchtime will allow the children to explore and play however they wish within a safe environment. We would like your help in setting up this project.

If you find you no longer need any of the items listed below. We would be extremely grateful if you could donate them to the OPAL project so that our children can have the best play experience possible.

If you do have a donation, please speak to a member of the CFA in the playground or speak to the office.

ROLEPLAY	TOYS	WATER PLAY	CONSTRUCTION
Hats	Cuddly Toys	Watering Cans	Pallets
Bags	Toy Cars	Buckets	Pipes
Dressing up clothes	Farm Animals	Saucepans	Guttering
Blankets	Dolls	Sieve	Yard Brushes
Cushions	Doll accessories		Traffic Cones
Aprons	Prams/ pushchairs		Foam Noodles
Oven gloves	Tea sets		Cable Drums
Coats	Dinosaurs		Wooden Planks
Cardboard Boxes			Astro Turf
			Sand Paper-New

Check before you Chuck

Before you take it to the tip, please think if it could be used by the children through play

Welly Donation



We also require old Wellies, so all children can benefit from the OPAL project all year round. We would be grateful for any old wellies you have that are still usable. We plan for the children to have access to the school field all year round. In certain weather and conditions, the children will be required to wear wellies to be able to play on the field.

Your welly donation will then ensure there is a supply of spare wellies so every child will benefit from OPAL. There will be a red welly bin located by the bike shed for your wellies. Please ensure wellies are paired in a carrier bag when placed in the bin.

The Bin will be available for your donations from Thursday 4th April.

Thank you for your continued support, Calton's OPAL team.



Sun Protection

As the weather gets warmer, we would be grateful if sun cream is applied to children prior to coming to school. Children may also bring in a suitable sun hat - please make sure items are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Sun cream bottles should be clearly labelled and teachers should know children have sun cream in school.

The below is an extract from the school Medical, Health and Wellbeing Policy regarding sun cream:

Sun protection

- ☐ Parents will be encouraged to apply 8 hour sunscreen before school starts
- ☐ Parents will be encouraged to send their child in with sun screen to apply themselves, however, if parents are unable to, we ask that parents give permission, to use a school sun cream. This is to be applied by the child under supervision of a member of staff.



Gloucestershire Museum Event

The Sphinx Trail SPY Challenge!

At the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum

20th July - 1st September.

Things to do in the summer school holidays

what's on in Cheltenham, events in Gloucester, days out in the Cotswolds and activities in the Forest of Dean in Gloucestershire 2019

Check out: **www.explore Gloucestershire.co.uk**



Aspire to do more this summer

See **www.aspiretrust.ork.uk/holidays** for GL1 and Oxstalls Sports Park activities.

GL1 01452 396688

Oxstalls Sports Park 01452 396969

Art Competition

A charity in Cheltenham called vision 21 are working towards a more sustainable future. They have launched an art competition for the summer holidays. The deadline for entries is Friday 6th September. If selected their work will be displayed and they will be invited to a presentation. **Mrs Cross is happy to collect all entries in at school on Wednesday 4th September and deliver them to the charity.** Please find posters here



Art-competition-poster-website.pdf



Summer of Music, Arts and Culture 2019

There are a wide range of events exciting events taking place in Gloucester this summer! Some of the highlights include:

29 June, Armed Forces Day

13 July, Gloucester Carnival

20 July, Siblings Distillery Art In The City

20 - 21 July, Kids Weekender in the Gloucester Park

26 July - 3 August, Three Choirs Festival

26 - 28 July, Gloucester Quays Food Festival

27 July - 4 August, Gloucester Rhythm & Blues Festival

27 July, Gloucester Fireworks Spectacular

24 August, Pro. Gloucester Goes Retro

25 - 26 August, Siege of Gloucester

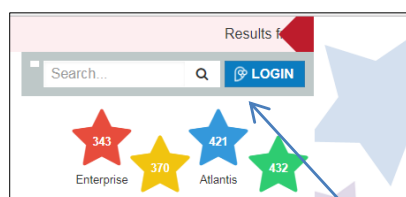
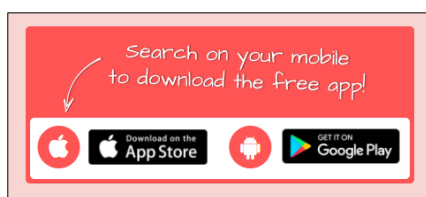
7 September, Gloucester Day

For more information, please visit visitgloucester.co.uk or somalac.org.uk.



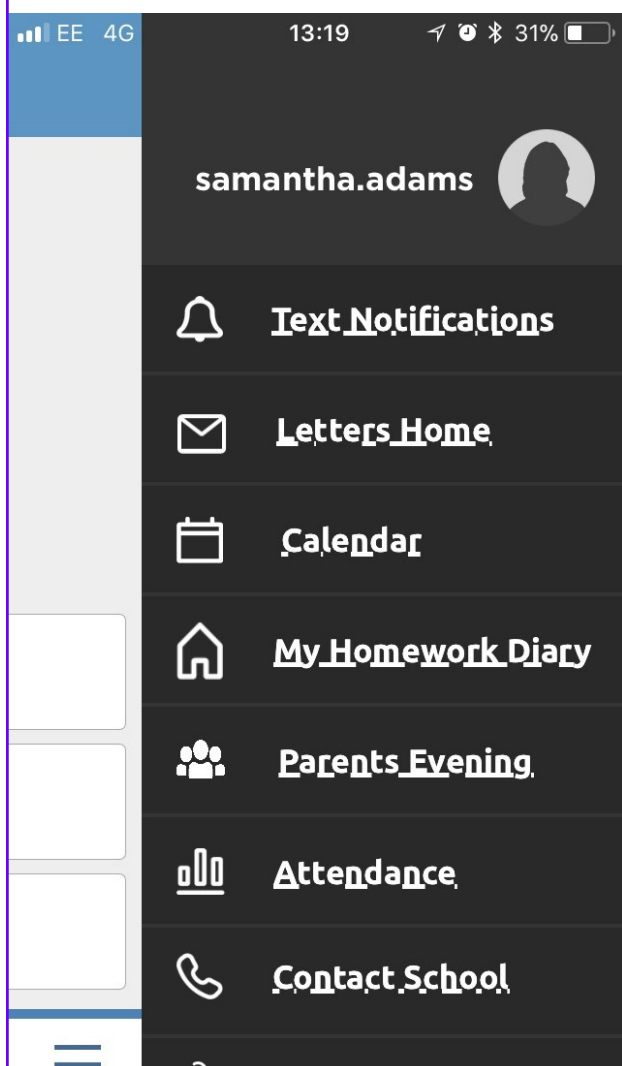


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Using the eSchools App

In the top right-hand corner of school website homepage.



The text notifications function is not currently active.

Copies of letters sent home to your child are available to download here.

Please refer to the school website calendar.

Details of the homework set by the Teacher can be viewed here.

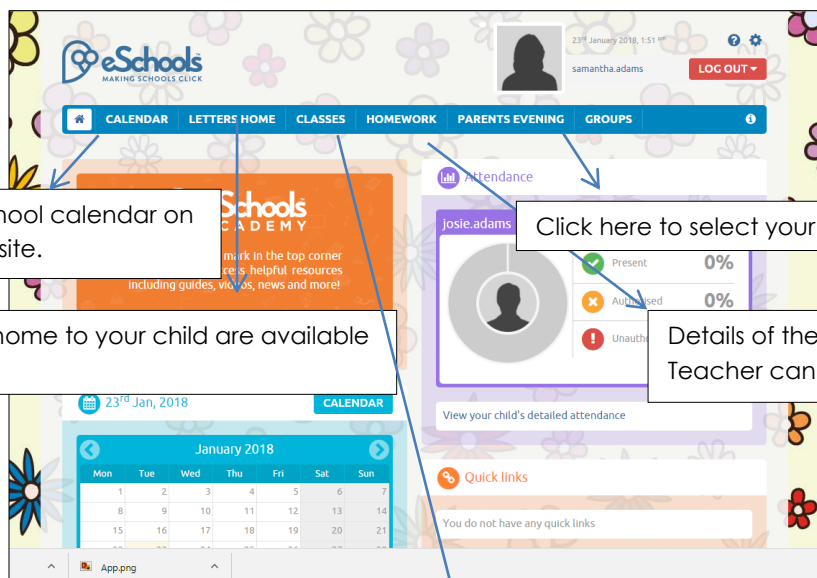
Use the App to select your parents evening slot.

View information about your child's attendance.

View the telephone number of the school should you need to contact us.

Accessing eSchools on an internet browser

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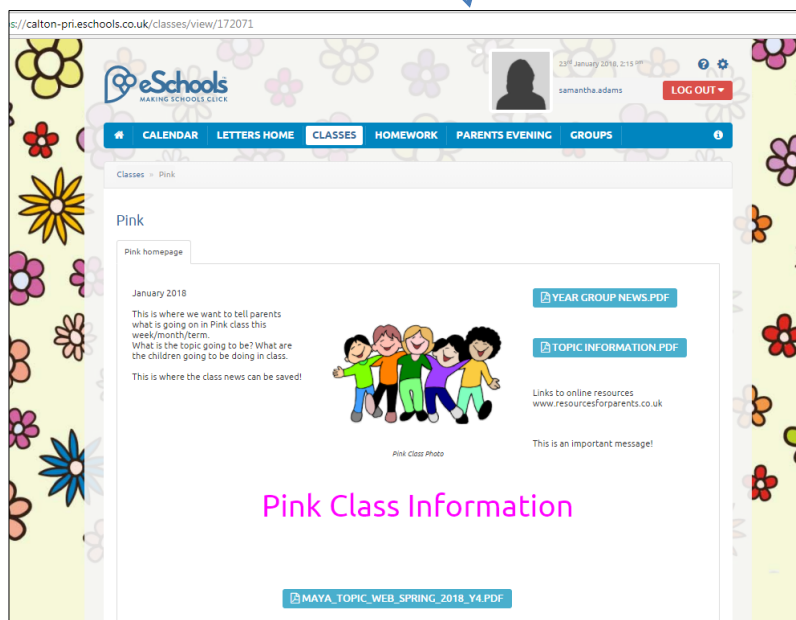
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