

The Cottingham CofE Weekly

Issue 26 – Week Ending Friday 11th May 2018



‘..and when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.’ Acts 2:1

Dear parent,

The SATS are almost upon us for both the year 2 and 6 pupils. On behalf of the Cottingham community, I would like to wish the children the best of luck and show off what they have learnt during their respective key stages.

Since writing to you last week, we have hosted two super events that have included our VIP library opening and Grandparents Tea. Both events were very well attended and highlighted what Cottingham CofE is all about. Firstly, the Tea was a lovely event. The children in Willow and Ash class used the event to find out what it was like years gone by for their grandparents. The children came up with so many questions ranging from; ‘Did you have an ASDA?’ to ‘Did you have Lego?’ My particular favourite being ‘Was it black and white?’ The children will now use the responses to bring their learning to life. Thank you to Mrs Delo and Mrs Wilson for organising this hook into learning. The VIP library opening was a chance to say a huge thankyou to the members of the PTFA. Guests from PDET and the LA also spoke about the importance of libraries and reading especially during times of funds being cut across the county. We also welcomed Gareth Baker who is a Nottingham based author and spent time talking to the children and signing copies of his books. The children even received a bedtime story. Thank you to everyone for making these two events special. Please do check out the pictures in the news.

On the theme of reading, I have asked the staff to keep pushing the idea of reading x5 at home. Following the idea that Wilby CofE Primary School use, teachers will start to count the number of home reads that will then go towards a class challenge. We are currently trialling this. One class only had 25% of the children read at home five times last week! We would like to make that number higher so hopefully a reading league will help to achieve that! Please do sign your child’s reading diary, as they will be rewarded with house points galore. Watch this space for more news and league tables after half term.

You may have seen the Tweets announcing that we will be welcoming St John Ambulance into school very soon for a day of basic first aid training for all of the children. Like many of you, I believe this could be one of the most valuable lessons that the children learn this year and who knows but it could save a life one day. I am sure that the children and staff will enjoy the day.

As we enter the final term, please do keep an eye on diary/calendar events. Sports Day, performances and special assemblies will come thick and fast and we would not want anyone to miss out. Have a lovely week, Mr Scott

SUPER SALAD

Thank you to Bob and our keen gardeners for growing a super crop this year in our very own allotment. From pumpkins to onions and broad beans to radishes we will certainly have the ingredients of a super salad.



Whole School – Weekly Attendance

95.7%

(Our target is 96%)

Willow – 98.8%

Ash – 95.5%

Oak – 92.9%

Beech – 95%

Hawthorn – 96.6%



SAFEGUARDING

This week, you may have noticed that PC Vickers was outside in the morning having a watch of drop off. He was keen to point out that the majority of cars were driven carefully and that parking was being thought about. He did ask that you take a moment to think before parking up by the junction (next to the green). I know that he did point this out to one or two of you.

Walk to School Week – Park & Stride



Cottingham Primary School is working alongside Corby Borough Council Neighbourhood Management Team and the Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team to organise a Park and Stride event, in support of National Walk to School.

The Park and Stride will take place on the following dates:

Monday 21st May, Tuesday 22nd May & Wednesday 23rd May. **Two house points** will be awarded to each child who takes part in the Park and Stride event.

Meeting point: Spread Eagle Car park, Main Street, Cottingham

Meeting time: 8.30am

Please come along on the dates above – no need to book.



**Final INSET Day for this academic year –
Monday 4th June 2018**

**Park & Stride Week – Monday 21st May
Oak Class Worship – Wednesday 23rd May
Share a Pencil Day – Wednesday 23rd May
Class Photos – Thursday 24th May
May Day – Monday May 7th School Closed**

See also Sporting Calendar

**Please note Sports Day has changed to Wednesday 4th
July (weather permitting) with the reserve date of
Thursday 5th July.**

Poster Competition



On **Thursday 17th May** – Suzann Preston (Rural Pride Officer), along with PCSO Joe Devlin will be coming into school to deliver a speeding presentation to Hawthorn Class around the community impact of speeding. This will be followed by a poster competition for Hawthorn class. I hope that the winning designers will have their poster out on the street.

First Aid Training in School



On **Friday 18th May**, St Johns Ambulance will be coming into school to deliver First Aid Training for the children. Letters have gone home with the option of saying **NO** if you do not want your child to take part.

New Entrants 2018 – Meeting



Very soon, we will be holding our New Entrants Meeting for parents with children starting school in September. On Wednesday 13th June at 6pm. There will be an opportunity for parents to find out about arrangements for September through a short presentation as well as a look around the classroom and outdoor area. Kingswood Catering Company will be there to discuss school dinners, CSD, afterschool club will showcasing afterschool activities, we will also have uniform and order forms available. Staff will be at hand for any questions. Please bear in mind that even if you already have children in school there are always changes and updates, therefore it is recommended that you take the opportunity to join us. This is a very exciting time for all involved and we really look forward to seeing you there.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD WINNER

***Congratulations to my latest
Headteacher award winner.***



Congratulations to our Playground Award winners. You are role models for all of the children at Cottingham CofE.



Congratulations to our latest **Star of the Week** award winners. Very well deserved. You should all be very proud of yourselves.



House Teams – Weekly

CARE – 252 **BUILD** – 219
FOLLOW – 214 **THINK** – 367

House Teams – Termly

CARE – 1048 **BUILD** – 1069
FOLLOW – 967 **THINK** – 1491

NEW!!! AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS –Summer 2018

Do not forget to book your child a place at one of the super clubs offered from April by:

www.csdactivitycamps.co.uk

Choose From

Monday	Tennis	Fashion/ Jewellery Design	Archery	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Tuesday	Athletics	Cooking	Orienteering/Team Building	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Wednesday	Construction Lego/K'nex	Rugby	Outdoor Cricket	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Thursday	Football	Cooking	Rounders	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Friday	Dodgeball	Dance/Drama	Den Building	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie

Places are limited. If you have any questions please email enquiries@csdactivitycamps.co.uk



Grandparent's Afternoon Tea

On Thursday, children from Willow & Ash Class enjoyed hosting an 'Afternoon Tea' for their grandparents. The children enjoyed asking questions about life in Corby when they were growing up. Some of the grandparents brought in old photographs, which was lovely for children to share their memories.

Children also drew some delightful portraits of their grandparents. The atmosphere was lovely and a good time was had by all. Thank you KS1 for hosting this lovely event.

Cottingham Sports News

As you can see, the children will have a number of opportunities to represent their school in various sporting activities. Transport to and from these events can often be an issue. Using the Sport Premium funding, we have arranged for bus transport for some of the events that happen during the school day. However, for other events we would be asking you to transport your own child. This will be made clear in letters home etc. Throughout the school year, we will always try to ensure that your child has had the opportunity to either represent the school or at least try a sport. Watch this space for further opportunities throughout the year. **Please remember to return all Sports Kits to school after each event.**

Event	Date	Venue	Time	Year Group
Netball	16 th May	CBA	4-6	5/6
Football	22 nd May	TBC	4-6	3/4
Swim Gala	24 th May	Corby Pool	1-3	5/6
Cycling	25 th May	Rutland	11-4	5/6
Fencing	27 th June	Cottingham	1-3	Oak/Beech
Sports Day	4 th July	School Field	TBC	All school
Reserved Sports Day	5 th July	School Field	TBC	All School
Multi Sports	16 th July	TBC	TBC	2/3/4

Hawthorn class leading the FitBit challenge



QUICK STICKS HOCKEY

Well done to our year 5/6 Quick Sticks teams. Both teams played well in the 24 team event at UCC this week. A special mention to the year 6 team who finished 7th overall.

'Survival can be summed up in three words – never give up. That's the heart of it really. Just keep trying' Bear Grylls



LIBRARY VIP EVENT

On Wednesday evening, we held the official grand opening of our super, new library. Members of the PTFA were the special guests as a way of thanking them for all of their fundraising efforts over the year. At the opening, we were also joined by Governors and representatives from PDET and the LA. A real life author, Gareth Baker, also came and helped with the opening. Gareth spent time signing copies of his books and finishing the night off with a bedtime story. The staff are currently discussing opportunities to welcome all parents into see this fantastic space.

Secondary Transfer – Transition Days

Uppingham Community College - Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th June

Bishop Stopford - Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd July

Kingswood Secondary Academy - Friday 13th July

Corby Technical School - tbc

Brooke Weston Academy - Friday 13th July

Corby Business Academy - Friday 13th July

Lodge Park Academy - Thursday 12th & Friday 13th July