

# The Cottingham CofE Weekly

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*‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, trust also in me.’ John 14:1*

Dear Parent,

I must start by congratulating my Headteacher’s Award winner this week. The recipient has taken on the love of reading challenge in a big way and it is what makes teaching worthwhile. You will see by his picture that he seems proud of himself. Through reading also comes progress in other subjects including writing. I do hope that all of the children will read at least two pages of a book, comic or magazine this weekend. Perhaps make this a rule before the TV is switched on or the Xbox controller is picked up!!! Please feel free to email or Tweet examples of good reading this weekend.

Letters were sent out today to parents of children in both Oak and Beech class to announce staff departures. Unfortunately, at the end of this academic year, both Miss Larder and Mrs Cartwright will be leaving Cottingham CofE. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them well. Miss Larder in particular would have taught more than just her current pupils and I am sure they will all have a particular memory of her. Mrs Cartwright has not been with us for long, however she has worked well with Miss Biddle and given the children in Oak class some valuable skills to take forward into years 4 and 5 respectively. The children still have plenty of time with their teacher before they say ‘Goodbye.’ Fortunately, I have been able to replace both colleagues with Mrs Moseley and Mrs Gamble. Both colleagues will be teaching in KS2 from September and join us with various experiences. Some of the children have already been taught by both colleagues or questioned them during recent interviews. Their feedback on both was positive, as it was from the Governors who took part in the interview process. I look forward to welcoming both on board and trust that you will also give them a huge Cottingham CofE welcome that was so important to me back in September. The children who will be in their classes will meet them during the transition days that are fast approaching.

I have been disappointed with the effort shown by some children at points throughout the year with regards to PE. Quite often, children will not have the correct kit, inappropriate footwear or indeed no kit. They will also complain at having to take part or run a certain length. To rectify this, all children in September will be provided with a new red PE T-shirt! In the first instance, this will be provided free of charge. All T-shirts will be clearly named also. Staff will also be receiving training in the delivery of REAL PE. This particular approach focuses on skills such as teamwork, problem solving and respect. Each class will also be provided with bibs to represent the house teams. I hope you join me in my excitement of raising the profile of PE and Sport at Cottingham CofE.

Have a lovely weekend.



## Year 5 Maths Day Wickstead Park



Y5 pupils were treated to a day at Wickstead park on Tuesday to take part in the PDET Maths day. To begin with, the children were treated to a very entertaining talk from Murderous Maths Author, Kjartan Poskitt. The wowed us with amazing maths facts and tricks. During the day, the children took part in code breaking, problem solving and fun activities linked to maths. The feedback from the children was incredibly positive and a great day was had by all.

**Whole School – Weekly Attendance: 95.5%**

(Our target is 96%)

**Willow – 100%**

**Ash – 87%**

**Oak – 98.9%**

**Beech – 94.5%**

**Hawthorn – 98.5%**

## SAFEGUARDING

Please be reminded that the landlord of the Spread Eagle pub has offered the carpark for parents to use at drop off and collection. Please do take up this opportunity and perhaps arrive at school slightly earlier than normal. Not only will it potentially reduce the risk of a scratch/bump to the car, it will also avoid any accidents or injury to our children. Please do email or Tweet pictures if you take up the Spread Eagle walk to school initiative.

## Mary Poppins



Preparations are well under way for the KS2 Production of Mary Poppins in July. Tickets are now on sale at a cost of £5.00 per adult ticket and £3.00 per child ticket. Please contact Mrs Southcombe in the school office for further details.

Due to Health & Safety tickets are limited to 4 in total per family – these can be used on 1 night or over 2 nights. If you require any more tickets, your name will be placed on a reserved list.

The children this week, found out which part that they would be playing. It was great to see them clapping one another and supporting the very tough decisions that the staff had to make.

## County Gymnastics Competition



*Proud winner of Gold Medal*

Poppy competed in her County gymnastics completion last week representing Corby Gymnastics Academy. She won gold for her floor routine. Well done Poppy, we are all very proud of you.



Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June – New Entrants Evening  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Cupcake Sale for Alzheimer's  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Hawthorn Class Worship  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Young Enterprise Day KS2  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Love 2 Lunch  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Transition Day all School  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June Transition Day all School

July dates will be in a later newsletter – all dates available on school website [www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk](http://www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk)



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

See also Sporting Calendar for all Sporting Fixtures

## INSET Days for 2018/2019



The following INSET Days have been set for the next academic year:

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

Please note these could be subject to change

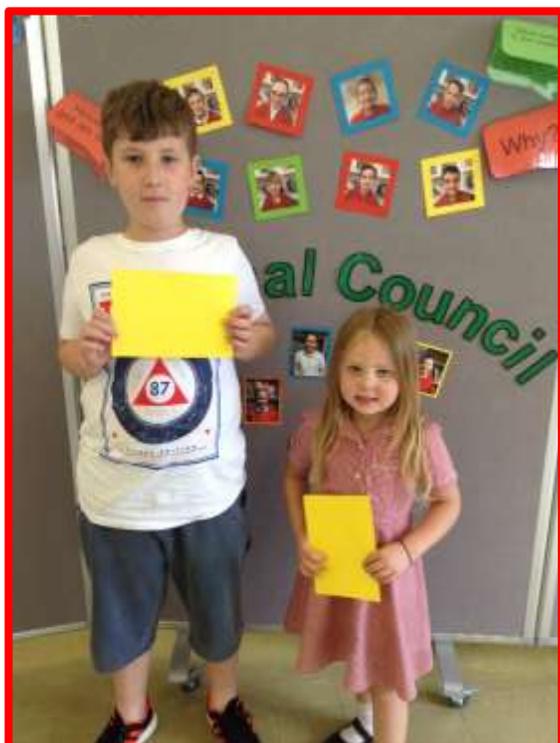
**'Trust is hard to come by. That is why my circle is small and tight. I'm kind of funny about making new friends.'** Eminem

**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** – 208 **BUILD** – 289

**FOLLOW** – 270 **THINK** – 301

**House Teams – Termly**

**CARE** – 208 **BUILD** – 289

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# AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Summer Term 2 2018

## NEW!!! NEW!!!

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

[www.csdactivitycamps.co.uk](http://www.csdactivitycamps.co.uk)

Choose From

Monday	Hockey	Art & Design	Den Building	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Tuesday	Dodgeball	Cooking	Rounders	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Wednesday	Construction Lego/K'nex	Rugby	Tennis	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Thursday	Football	Cooking	Dance/Musical Theatre	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie
Friday	Athletics	Basketball	Outdoor Explorers	Chill Out Art/Craft/Read/Movie

Places are limited. If you have any questions please email [enquiries@csdactivitycamps.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@csdactivitycamps.co.uk)

### Summer Reading Challenge



The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to read six books during the long summer holiday. There is a different theme each year. Children can read whatever they like - fact books, joke books, picture books, and audio books - just as long as they are borrowed from the town library. Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there is a certificate for everyone who completes the Challenge. The Summer Reading Challenge is open to all primary school aged children and is designed for all reading abilities. [Schools](#) work with local libraries and give out information to encourage children to take part. There is an assembly in school on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June to promote the event further – more information will be sent home after this date.



### X5 a - week challenge

This week, Ash and Oak lead the way with half of the class reading x5 a week. Listening to your child read or joining them to read is so important. Encouraging a love of reading is the aim. Please do accept the challenge especially Hawthorn parents. Maybe choose a book that interests both you and your child. House points up for grabs.

**CARE – BUILD – FOLLOW - THINK**

## 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
Tennis	12 <sup>th</sup> June	Rutland TBC	4-6	5/6
Welland Valley	13 <sup>th</sup> June	Corby Triangle	1-4	3/4/5/6
Rutland Athletics	19 <sup>th</sup> June	Corby Triangle	All Day	4/5/6
Football	6 <sup>th</sup> June	Lodge Park	4-6	3/4
Tri Gold	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Greetham Valley	10-3	3/4
Fencing	27 <sup>th</sup> June	Cottingham	1-3	Oak/Beech
Climbing	27 <sup>th</sup> June	Maplefields	TBC	TBC
Sports Day	4 <sup>th</sup> July	School Field	1-3	All school
Reserved Sports Day	5 <sup>th</sup> July	School Field	1-3	All School
Multi Sports	16 <sup>th</sup> July	TBC	TBC	2/3/4

### Swimming

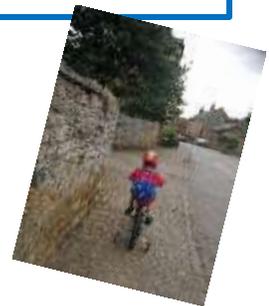


Swimming will take place for all children in Year 5 and those children in Year 6 who are not confident to swim 25 meters or more. Lessons will be each Friday morning from 9.30 – 10.30am, beginning Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June until Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Children will be transported to and from the pool by coach. Please ensure children are properly equipped with swimming trunks (boys not long Bermuda style) and a full piece swim suit for girls. Bikinis or tankinis are not acceptable. It is also appropriate for children with long hair to have it tied back during lessons.

### Pace Challenge



George Smith in Willow Class is doing a 'Pace Challenge'. He has to cycle 10 miles during the month of June. If he completes this challenge he will be awarded with a certificate and medal. Since the 1st June he has cycled 2.56 miles, well done George, we wish you well with your challenge.



Our year 3/4 boy's football team took part in round one of the Gamble Cup this week. They played three games losing 0-3, winning 3-0 and drawing 0-0. They have three more games to come in a few weeks' time.

# Artist is School



This week, we welcomed artist **Jason Wilsher - Mills** into school to work with the children in both Oak and Beech class. Jason has received a substantial amount of funding through the Arts Council and is working with local schools on his amazing totems project. As you can see in the pictures, the children have been busy using iPads to create their own artwork. It is hoped that at the end of the year, children from all schools will be invited to see their artwork come to life in a special red carpet screening of their work at the Savoy Cinema. We all look forward to working with Jason again in the near future.

Closing date soon



## Design the Spiritual Garden!

The Spiritual Garden is due a revamp and we want **YOU** to be part of it! We would like to incorporate as many of your ideas as possible into the real thing so would like you to have a go at designing it. However, there are a few things we would like you to include in your design. They are as follows:

- An arch into the garden
- A water feature
- The Holy Trinity
- A range of different plants that have different scents and textures to make it sensory
- A seating area

Please use the entry form for your design and label the different parts. You could even create a collage of different ideas (plants, seating, water features) using pictures from the internet, magazines and newspapers or build us a 3D version in a shoe box. Think outside the box!

Designs should be drawn on to an A4 piece of paper with your name and class on the back. The closing date is Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June.

We look forward to seeing your designs!

Good luck!!!



## PTFA News



**Library Lotto** – Guess the name of the mystery book. £1.00 entry. Winner wins half of the proceeds. Please look out for the library lotto board when we return after half term.

**Disco** - Friday 29th June. KS1 6-7pm KS2 7.15 -8.15pm. Entry is £3.50 payable on door this will cover the cost of drinks and snacks. Come along for a boogie. Parents, enjoy an hour peace and quiet!

**Silent Auction** - Based on success at other schools the PTFA will organise a silent auction for various 'fun' prizes e.g. Child can be Head for the afternoon, class pj afternoon, teacher do homework, staff wear uniform to name but a few. We hope that this will be a fun opportunity for the children. More details to follow.

**Pennies for pounds** - Shortly after half-term, the PTFA will be running a blind raffle for a large cash prize. Further information to follow shortly. 1p could win you lots of cash!!!!

**Uniform** - Old uniform will be on sale for 50p an item – please see PTFA facebook page for sale items.

**Lollies** – Every Friday after school – weather permitting.

**The PTFA welcome support to help – please volunteer for the above events if you can. Thank you.**

## 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 6.30pm. 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.

### 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



## Woodwind Recital



We were inspired and entertained this week, with a superb woodwind recital from Northamptonshire Music & Performing Arts Trust. The children learned all about different instruments including the flute, clarinet, bassoon and oboe. The difference between woodwind and brass instruments was explained and we were entertained with pieces from famous composers like Tchaikovsky to tunes to make us smile like 'The teddy bear's picnic'. If your child is interested in learning to play any of these instruments, please get in touch with the school office.

