



The Cottingham CofE Weekly

Issue 12 – Week Ending December 14th 2018



'How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings.'
Isaiah 52:7-9

Dear Parent/carer,

I would like to begin by saying a massive well done to the whole Cottingham community for raising a super £227.57 towards Save the Children. This total was achieved with nativity tickets, Christmas Jumpers and an extra £39.67 raised during the school choir performance in Market Harborough. Like me, I am sure that you are all very proud of our efforts.

We have ended a very long and busy term with a short visit to the church to come together with hymns and some festive words. I hope that you are all able to spend the next few weeks with your families both near and far. I always look forward to Christmas Day and time to actually sit down to enjoy a family meal, which seems to be something I do not do as often as I would like. Then it is time for usual doze on the sofa before watching a festive film or two. Then amazingly, it is time again to eat. Whatever you and your family do during the break, please stay safe and enjoy the time.

Congratulations to all of my Headteacher award winners this term. During the first week of the new term, I will be meeting them for a treat of some kind and look forward to doing so. Team Build were the winners of this terms house point challenge and as a result will be having a treat on their return in January, which the children will discuss with staff. I hope that one of Team Care, Follow or Think can challenge for the termly honours from January. The points were certainly very close even between 4th and 1st place.

You will see in the News that we again have a number of sporting events lined up for the New Year. This includes taking some of the year 3 children to a Rutland Gym festival followed by a mini competition. A select squad will also be taking part in a Kurling competition, which is something that Cottingham achieved first place in last year and ended up representing Corby at the Sports Games. Let us hope that this is repeated again in January. Mr Stafford and I attempt to include all children in sporting events throughout the year so please do not worry if your child is not picked for a certain event as they will be for others. Whilst mentioning sports, I am very pleased with the children for having their red/black PE kits to wear for most PE sessions. Thank you for your support with this. If you need to replace your child's red PE T-shirt, you are more than welcome to order from our usual supplier or indeed supply a black red (round neck) T-shirt if you wish.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year 2019.....Take care and see you in January.

Safeguarding



It is important that we have the correct information for your child on our SIMS (School Information Management System). Please inform Carolynn if any of your contact details have changed. It is paramount that we have correct emergency contact details for your child. You may check your details anytime with Carolynn in the school office to ensure they are correct. We no longer send out data checking sheets.

Reports



You will have by now received your child's termly report. This report aims to give you an update on progress since September as well as looking forward to the end of the year. Please note attendance percentages are from Thursday 6th September – Friday 14th December. Please do see your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Attendance



**Whole School Attendance Target
96%**

Willow Class – 90.1%

Ash Class – 98%

Oak Class – 93.2%

Hawthorn Class – 99.5%

Beech Class – 96.2%

Whole School – 95.8%



KS1 Stay & Play



On Thursday we were delighted to welcome KS1 parents along to Stay & Play with the children.

Everyone had an amazing time taking part in lots of fun Christmas themed activities.

Oh No Snow!!!



Please note that, In the event of adverse weather closures, procedures have changed since last winter. There will be NO school closure facility on the NCC website. Instead, you will be informed of any school closures via:

- School Website (Home page banner)
 - Twitter
 - Parentmail

If you are not told of a school closure through any of these media then we ARE OPEN as normal. Any decision will be made by 7:30am where possible with the safety of you all in mind.

TWITTER and WEBSITE will be the first place to look!

School Lottery



- Cottingham C of E Primary School has launched a lottery!
- Tickets cost just £1 per ticket, per week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated to our school.
- A GUARANTEED cash prize to someone on our supporter list every week.
 - A further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw EVERY WEEK!
- Draws are every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online

To start supporting visit:

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play

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Handball



HANDBALL

ACADEMY 4 KIDS

2019
JANUARY
6PM-7PM

BOYS & GIRLS
AGES 9-16

1ST SESSION 23RD JANUARY
HELD AT BENHAM SPORTS ARENA
KINGS PARK RD. NORTHAMPTON NN3 6LL
INFO @ NORTHAMPTONHANDBALL@GMAIL.COM

Christmas Eve Walk



The Christmas Story (walk around the villages), 4pm start, near the corner of Middleton Main Street.

Our very popular annual event will begin in Middleton and finish in Cottingham Church. We will tell the Christmas Story as we walk around the villages. All dressing up is welcomed so if you have any eager little angels or shepherds, we would love to include them in the story. Wrap up warm, bring lanterns and lusty singing voices; it all adds to the festive atmosphere. You can just turn up. Angel and shepherd costumes can be borrowed from school. No lines to learn. The walk lasts about an hour finishing in church with refreshments but no service. Call Angela on 772297 if you would like more information.

Spring Term Dates



Thursday 3rd January 2019 – School re-opens

Friday 15th February – School Closes

Half-term Holiday

Tuesday 26th February – School re-opens

Friday 5th April – School Closes

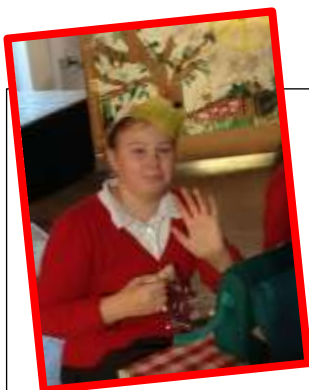
Easter Holiday

INSET Days

There are 2 remaining INSET Days this academic year

Monday 25th February 2019

Tuesday 23rd April 2019



Christmas at Cottingham

Sunday 23rd December 10.30am – 12noon

Hope Church Christmas Family Service



Have a Happy and Restful Christmas from all at Cottingham Primary School



Cottingham Sports News



Sports Update 2018

Already this school year we have experienced lots of different sports, during PE we have been focusing our Real PE which is brand new to the school and is proving to be a real hit with the children. As well as this we have been busy attending various sports days, despite it only being December we have already attended an athletics day, triathlon, basketball tournament and development day, boy's football and girls football. We have also been visited by a local martial arts group. We are delighted to say that we have been busy planning events for the spring term, below is just some of the events that we are entering, there are more events to be added so please keep checking the sports newsletter.

Event	Date	Venue	Time	Yr Group
Sportshall Athletics	08/01/19	CBA	13:00-15:00	YR 3/4
Gymnastics Dev Festival	16/01/19	Active Rutland Hub	10am – 1pm	TBC
Handball Event	17/01/19	Uppingham Sports Centre	09:15 – 12:00	YR 3/4 (Selected)
Kurling Event	23/01/19	Oak Vale Prim	13:00 – 15:00	YR 3-6 (Selected)
Multiskills Event	27/02/19	Active Rutland Hub	10:00 – 14:00	Yr 1/2
Table Tennis	06/03/19	Smash Table Tennis Centre	13:00 – 15:00	Yr 5/6 (Selected)
Dodgeball	14/03/19	Uppingham Sports Centre	09:00 – 12:00	YR 5/6 (Selected)
Dodgeball	21/03/19	Uppingham Sports Centre	09:00 – 12:00	YR 3/4 (Selected)

Please remember if you take part in a sporting event outside of school then please see Mr Stafford with a picture of your sporting achievement and you could be our sports star of the week.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD WINNER
Congratulations to a very well deserved
Headteacher award winner this week.



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



PLAYGROUND AWARD WINNER
Congratulations to the Playground Award
winners this week.



TERMLY RAFFLE WINNERS
Congratulations to the Termly Raffle
Winners. Enjoy your prizes.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Spring (Term 3)

Do not forget to book your child a place at one of the super clubs offered from January by our new after school partners www.csdactivitycamps.co.uk



Choose From



	3.30pm – 4.30pm	3.30pm – 4.30pm	4.30pm – 5.30pm	4.30pm – 5.30pm
Monday	Athletics/Running	Art & Craft	Futsal	Chillout
Tuesday	Dodgeball	Cooking	Cooking	Chillout
Wednesday	Construction	Football	Construction	Football
Thursday	Table Tennis	Cooking	Movie Club	Cooking
Friday	Gymnastics	Video Blogging Club	Gymnastics	Videos Blogging Club

Football @ Maplefields

Thank you to our neighbours at Maplefield's Academy for inviting some of our children to a football event. Maplefield's have some amazing facilities which we may be able to use in the future. Many goals were scored and conceded with some super behavior and conduct too.





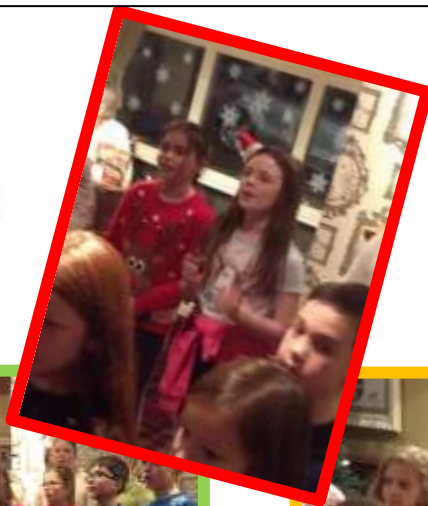
SANTA CAME TO VISIT

Thank you Santa for having lunch with the children and for taking presents to each class. Also, a huge thanks to the PTFA for supplying crackers and pressies..



'Sing for your supper'

A huge well done to the choir who sang for their supper at the Roebuck, Mkt Harborough. Like other schools, the children were offered the chance to sing and in return have their supper. It was great to see so many parents and family members join the children. Thank you as always to Mrs (and Mr) Willis for their help with the choir. I am sure other members of the public also enjoyed hearing the festive singing from the Cottingham CofE Choir. Were you able to listen to the Corby Radio performance?



House Teams – Termly

CARE – 1677

BUILD – 1797

FOLLOW – 1710

THINK – 1739



Christmas Jumper Day

From Nativity and Jumper donations we raised a super **£187.90** for Save the Children. A special mention also to our two fundraisers who added an extra £10 from sales of Reindeer Food at home. Super effort everyone for a wonderful cause.

Congratulations to Team Build for winning this term's **House Points** award.

A photograph of a reading challenge results board for Cottingham C of E. The board is decorated with stars and lists the scores for five classes: Willow (50%), Ash (42%), Oak (68%), Beech (40%), and Hawthorn (31%). Oak is the winner.

Cottingham C of E 5 x Reading Challenge	
Willow	50%
Ash	42%
Oak	68%
Beech	40%
Hawthorn	31%

This week's winners are:
Oak!

Well done!

Congratulations to Oak class for leading the way with their Reading efforts.



'The story begins with an orange – round like the earth. Our world.'

Christmas Church Service

Today we all enjoyed a final day church service to sign carols, light the advent candles and think again about the Nativity story. It was our last chance to listen to the choir who have performed so beautifully over the last few weeks. It is always special when we get to visit the church and today was no different. Well done also to the various readers who did so clearly and confidently. Have a lovely Christmas everyone.





Christingle Worship

Thank you to those of you who were able to attend our Christingle Worship. ALL children had their own Christingle and showed great Care looking after these and themselves. Just like last year, the school hall was lit up with over 100 candles, super singing and words from the children. Thank you to Mrs Willis and the choir who performed superbly along with our two piano players. It was a special occasion and we are glad that we were able to share it with you.