

News Release

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Cottingham schoolchildren raise a smile!

Children from Cottingham CofE Primary School have been spreading a little happiness in their local community as part of a 'Values Day', that the school holds once a term.

Setting out to make people in their local community (the villages of Cottingham and Middleton) smile, the children have been planting bulbs in the Middleton Pocket Park, singing to residents at Middleton's Manor House Residential Home, clearing litter from Cottingham's playing field and delivering cakes and postcards to neighbours.

School Headteacher Ashley Scott said: "We've had a great response to this. It really shows how important the local community is and the role a small school like ours can play within it."

Each Values Day kicks off with a sporting activity and a well-being session, where the children can take some time to relax and value the opportunity to have some quiet time.

"We hope that these sessions and Values Days allow the children to take time out of the hectic curriculum to think of themselves and others," continued Ashley.

The school places huge emphasis on supporting people in the local community and also those further afield. Other charities that have received support from the school's Values Days include Northampton Food Bank and Compassion UK.

Pictures show:

- (1) Cottingham Schoolchildren planting bulbs in the Middleton Pocket Park, as part of their recent Values Day
- (2) Cottingham schoolchildren delivering postcards to neighbours, as part of their recent Values Day.



Notes to editors

Cottingham C of E Primary School Academy Trust is a small, friendly, community school with students from Cottingham, Middleton, Corby and the surrounding villages. It is one of 25 schools in the Peterborough Diocese Education Trust (PDET). For more information about the school, see www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk.

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