



# Hawthorn Class



## Summer 1 2020



### Summer term

Welcome to our Summer term at Cottingham, and one that is in the most unusual of circumstances. As you can imagine, it really is strange writing the newsletter currently but I do hope that you find it useful to have. You have had your first week working with our new home learning planners and I really hope that you have found them a useful resource and easy to use. Please feel free to offer any feedback as we are all in uncharted territory here! Also, please remember that all that we are expecting back is a picture of the writing and the completed maths work online. It would be great to see some of your quest etc work as well if you would like to share on twitter or email. Over the last few weeks, I have genuinely loved seeing all that some of you have been up to whilst being at home- when I am missing you all so much it's great to be able to keep that contact and know how you're doing. There have definitely been many things that have made me smile: Owen and Emily's Electric Dreams dance, Isaac's fantastic song writing and Lois' impressive gymnastics challenges to name just a few. Please do keep it up and keep sharing. One of my other highlights over the past few weeks has definitely been the privilege to be a part of the online Lion King practises. I have definitely had a few goose bump moments! All of you who have taken part have done amazingly and some of the confidence has been inspiring. I hope that you haven't minded me trying to help with the singing too much! I know that next week would have been the week that year 6 would have been travelling to London to see the Lion King and I was so looking forward to it however I know that we are going to have plenty of experiences coming up to make up for the ones that have been temporarily lost. I was sitting in the car park at Aldi yesterday, waiting for my daughter to do the shopping, when another car started blasting out Electric Dreams. I thought it must have been a sign and really made me smile singing along! Not sure what the other shoppers may have thought! Anyway, although no one knows when we all be back together again, just to let you know that I can't wait and until then please continue to work as hard and be as fantastic as you have already been. I can't tell you how proud I am of you all and how lucky I feel to call myself the teacher of such a wonderful class. Stay safe everyone and be kind.

### Behaviour

Although we are all at home, we are still doing the best we can to keep up with what you are doing at home, both through the emails of work etc that you are sending us and the posts on the school twitter. We are going to be continuing to pick a star of the week and doing that this week has been even more difficult than usual as so many of you have done so many things to go above and beyond during these times. We will also be continuing to choose a wonderful writer, based on your great work that's being sent through from you. Please check twitter to see who has received it this week. Also, if any parents want to let me know of anything that the children have been doing at home that have really stood out as using our school values of care, build, follow and think then please let me know. Has anyone been extra kind to a brother or sister, or made a real difference to a parent's day? Maybe helped someone in the community? It would be great to acknowledge some wonderful behaviour that's going on at home as well as all of this wonderful work.

**CARE-BUILD-FOLLOW-THINK**



Mr Stafford has kindly planned some great PE lessons using our Real PE resource.

At the minute it's so important for our body and mind to make sure that we are getting that daily exercise in so please do whatever makes you happy to keep active. To access the lessons, please use: Website: [home.jasmineactive.com](http://home.jasmineactive.com)

Parent email: parent@cottingham-1.com

Password: Cottingham

Don't forget that there are many online ideas for keeping active, including Mr Stafford's weekly challenges on twitter. Maybe he will be the new Joe Wicks? <https://www.youtube.com/thebodycoachtv>



Please follow @CottinghamCofE for daily news and updates regarding the super children at Cottingham CofE Primary School. It takes just a few minutes to log in and sign up. Please feel free to follow me @WasonMrs.

## Love Reading

One of the most important skills that we learn to do at school is reading and now is a time in which we can maybe really get to grips with some stories that we haven't had time for before. At the minute I am in the middle of re-reading all of the Harry Potter books and really enjoying them- they are quite a nice break from reality that helps to keep me smiling! Please do tweet or email me to let me know what you've been reading and perhaps give it a review for others. If you haven't got any new things to read at home please don't forget that there are so many online books for you to hear and read at the minute- make the most of them. I hear David Walliams daily reading of his books has been fun to listen to. On the weekly planners I will try to make sure that there are a range of different types of texts for you to have a go at activities for over the coming weeks.

## Writing

Your weekly writing task will be set via the home planners and I will try to ensure that there is a good range of writing for you to complete. I will add details of examples and tips for being successful. Please don't forget to email me your examples (fwason@cottinghamprimary.co.uk) and I will ensure that I get back to you with feedback.



## Maths

MyMaths will be used to set all of you daily maths activities, trying to follow our normal WhiteRose units as well as practising some things we have already done. Please also don't forget to practise on RockStars- I will be continuing to set battles and I always like to see Hawthorn winning #The6Degrees.

## Learning Quest

**This term our learning quest is The Victorians with the focus question: How did the Victorian age change the world?**

I hope that you have enjoyed the first week of the quest, finding out about Queen Victoria and then comparing schools from the Victorian time to our own. Don't forget that there are so many films and books from the Victorian era that will really help to bring this quest alive for the children and that I am sure that they will love to read or watch. More related history, science and geography will be coming up in the coming weeks.

**In RE**, our unit is: What will make our city/town/village a more respectful place? This unit supports the principal aim of RE: to enable pupils to hold a balanced and informed conversation about religion and belief.

## Collective worship

Please do use the ideas on the class planner to allow you to take part in collective worship at home. Hopefully it will give you a time of calm and reflection in a way that is familiar for the children.

