

The Cottingham CofE Weekly

Issue 23 – Week Ending 26th April 2019



'For I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength.' Philippeans

Dear Parent,

It has been a while since the last edition of the weekly news. During this time, we have had a very long Easter break. I do hope that you and your families were able to create lots of memories in the very welcome sunny weather. I was a very proud father as I watched my son, Oliver, lead out Southampton FC as the team mascot. It was an amazing experience and at St James's Park what a stadium to lead out his team. I must say that the 50,000 crowd were very kind to both my son and I!

We have been back now for just a few days and as always much learning has taken place during this time. The staff are relentless in their pursuit of teaching the children and in response the children offer them their best efforts. Already, there is such a lot of evidence in books of writing and mathematics working out for example. Today, we welcomed our schools academy advisor who spent the day observing teaching and learning as well as discussing attainment and progress. As always, there were many strengths along with areas for development. The staff and I will continue to work hard and offer your children the best education that we are able to.

Friday was the closing date for parents to nominate themselves as a potential Parent Governor. I have had two parents 'throw their hats into the ring' and you will receive further information this week. Please do take time to make your vote and choose the person that you would like to join the local Governing Body. I look forward to announcing our new Parent Governor in due course.

The summer term is a landmark term for our year 6 children. The forthcoming weeks/months are their very last in primary education. Their final term is sure to fly by and I would like to congratulate the children on gaining places at their respective Secondary schools. This year our school leavers will be moving onto; Corby Business Academy (4), Kettering Science Academy (2), Kingswood Academy (2), Lodge Park Academy (2), Uppingham Community College (8). The year 6 children will have transition time between now and the end of the school year. Exciting times ahead! The children will also soon sit their end of year assessments (SATs) and I am sure you will wish them the best of luck.

As we approach the end of the year, could I please ask that we all make an extra effort to ensure that the correct PE kit/school uniform is worn? Please ensure that children have appropriate outdoor footwear for PE. Red PE T-shirts also need to be worn and can be ordered via the uniform provider. Alternatively, a plain red T-shirt can also be worn.

Have a super week, Mr Scott

Safeguarding - Mobile phones

Presently, a small number of children bring their mobile phone into school. Please be reminded that any mobile phones must be handed to the class teacher until the end of the day. There has been some miss-use of phones in school recently. This cannot be tolerated and if need be the option of having a phone in school will be taken away. Please ensure that your child takes this responsibility. Thank you for your understanding.

Parental Governor Vacancy



We have received two applications from parents who would like to join our Governing Body. You will have the chance to hear what they would offer before voting for one parent to join us. Please look out for more information that will be on its way soon.

Attendance



Whole School Attendance Target

96%

Willow Class – 96.3%

Ash Class – 100%

Oak Class – 96.1%

Hawthorn Class – 94%

Beech Class – 100%

Whole School – 97.1%



Beautiful Books



Jess has been very busy over the half term holiday and took it upon herself to cover books for all children to use as a free writer book. These books will be taken care of and will follow the children with them to their next class. Thank you Jess x

Rock UK Information Evening



On Wednesday 1st May @ 6.30pm there will be an information about the Year 6 Residential next year. It is really important that all Year 5 children and their parents attend. The information shared during the evening is very valuable, to prepare children for their forthcoming adventure.

Bursary Funding

Over the years, several of our past and present children have benefitted from The Rock UK Bursary Funding. There is an increased demand for Bursary places and the funds are reliant on charity donations. With this in mind, we will be holding a little fundraising event during the evening to contribute as our way of saying 'Thankyou'.

"Without the bursary some children would not have been able to go on the residential trip which had such a positive impact on their learning, understanding and the development of essential skills."

Raffle tickets will be on sale. Prizes to include wine, chocolates, a homemade cake - to name but a few. We will also be having a name the Monkey competition...more details to follow!!!! Tickets will be drawn during assembly on Friday 3rd May.

Please support our fundraising initiative.

Beech Class – Ukulele Tuition



Beech class recently started a ten week course of ukulele tuition. These sessions are provided free of charge by the Northamptonshire Music Partnership who are keen to ensure that whole class musical tuition still takes place in primary education. After only having one lesson so far, the children have already made good progress. A special performance will be held at the end of their sessions. Happy music all!

Headlice



There is a continuing issue with head lice across school. Head Lice live happily even in the cleanest of hair so please be extra vigilant when checking your child's hair to ensure there is no sign of eggs or live lice.

Thoroughly combing your child's hair with a special comb after they have used shampoo and conditioner is the best way to keep head lice at bay! These are available at most supermarkets and pharmacies.

Healthy Eating Week

June 10th – June 14th 2019



On the above dates, we will be promoting 'Healthy Eating' in school. Mr Stafford will be presenting interesting facts to the children about the benefits of healthy eating, plus there will be a poster competition and free healthy snacks. Look out for more information to follow.....

TEAM THINK

House Teams – Spring Term Winners.



Summer Term Dates



Friday 26th April – Easter Service to be held in school at 2.15pm. All warmly invited to attend

Wednesday 1st May @ 6.30pm – Year 5 Rock UK Information Evening

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May
Year 6 SATS

Thursday 24th May – Class Photos

Friday 24th May – School Closes for half-term

Academic year 2019 to 2020

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 1	Wednesday 4 September 2019	Friday 25 October 2019
Term 2	Monday 4 November 2019	Friday 20 December 2019
Term 3	Monday 6 January 2020	Friday 14 February 2020
Term 4	Monday 24 February 2020	Friday 3 April 2020
Term 5	Monday 20 April 2020	Friday 22 May 2020
Term 6	Monday 1 June 2020	Friday 17 July 2020

Teacher training days 2019 to 2020

Proposed dates (Two other dates to be decided):

- Monday 2 September 2019 - Tuesday 3 September 2019 - Friday 3 January 2020



HEADTEACHER AWARD WINNERS
 Congratulations to the Playground Award winners this week.

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



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Spring Raffle Winners
 Congratulations to our Easter themed raffle winners



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Last terms Headteacher award winners enjoyed a sunny time in the park along with a yummy ice cream!



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Summer (Term 5)

Do not forget to book your child a place at one of the super clubs offered from February 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	Dodgeball	Cooking	Rounders	Chill Out
Tuesday	Basketball	Construction	Fencing	Movie Club
Wednesday	Football	Video Blogging	Athletics	Chill Out
Thursday	Table Tennis	Cooking	Pool/Snooker	Chill Out
Friday	Gymnastics	Video Blogging	Dance	Gardening

ONLINE BOOKING

24TH APRIL - 24TH MAY

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS @ COTTINGHAM

WWW.CSDACTIVITYCAMPS.CO.UK

GREAT VALUE £4.00 PER HOUR

Easter Breakfast

At the end of term the PTFA provided all of the children with a lovely EASTER breakfast and egg hunt. On behalf of everyone, a huge thank you to the PTFA for their time and effort. We all had a lovely morning.



Cottingham Sports News



PE KIT



Sports Update

Upcoming Sporting Events

29/4/19 - Gamble Cup Football @ Lodge Park from 16:00 - 18:00

9/5/19 Year 3/4 Tennis @ Corby Tennis Centre from 13:00 - 15:00

21/5/19 Tri Golf YR 3/4 @ Priors Hall Golf Club from 12:30 - 15:30

23/5/19 Swimming Gala @ Corby Swimming Pool YR 5/6 13:00 - 15:00

Sports Day – Date Change



Please note that Sports Day will now take place on Thursday 4th July with a reserve day, in the event of increment weather, on Friday 5th July. More information to follow.....

Spotlight Dance!

Thank you Hawthorn class for showing your Joseph themed Dance at the end of term.



Sports Stars of the Week

If you would like to be nominated for sports stars of the week for any sporting achievements outside of school then please either see Mr Stafford.



Kick Boxing Competition



A huge well done to Peyton in Year 5 who won a gold and a silver medal in her recent Kickboxing Competition. Peyton also passed her Green Belt in Kickboxing and went onto pass her Blue Sash in Kung Fu.

Peyton has been involved with the above disciplines for only 18 months, so this is a huge achievement.

Well done Peyton



Class Teacher Wanted



Cottingham CofE Primary School



Has a **permanent** need for an **Inspiring and caring Class Teacher**

This exciting permanent, full time position is required for
September 2019

We are looking for someone to join our school who:

Is in the early stages of their career. (NQT's welcome to apply)

Can demonstrate outstanding teaching skills.

Always puts children first and is passionate about developing their own practice.

Is creative with high expectations of behaviour and achievement.

Will inspire children to develop a lifelong love of learning.

Is enthusiastic and dedicated with high expectations of themselves and others.

Is open to, has new ideas, and approaches to share with us.

Can work collaboratively with all stakeholders.

Has the ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with parents and carers.

We believe our school is a fantastic place to work. You will too.

Please do come for an informal visit/chat and see for yourself.

Please contact: [Carolynn Southcombe](mailto:carolynn.southcombe@cottinghamprimary.co.uk) (School Administrator).

Tel: (01536) 771391 or Email: admin@cottinghamprimary.co.uk

Closing date: 12:00 noon on Friday 10th May 2019
(Interviews w/b Monday 20th May 2019)

CARE – BUILD – FOLLOW – THINK

Successful applicants will be subject to a fully enhanced DBS check.

Cottingham CofE Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. It is expected that all staff will share this commitment.

'The school is a calm and welcoming learning environment. Classrooms are busy places where pupils now behave well and work hard.' Ofsted 2018



Our super musicians performed to the whole school and gave everyone a treat. We heard ukulele, guitar and drum solo's. Some very talented children and staff.

'Honesty, like my mama always says, is the best policy.' Kelly Rowlands.