

The Cottingham CofE Weekly

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‘And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.’ Galatians 6:9



Dear Parent/carer,

As you know, this week across the country, sees year 6 children sit their end of year 6 assessments. Known more commonly as the SATS, this is a chance for the children to show all that they have learnt since year 3! Throughout the week, the children will sit assessments of their spelling, grammar, arithmetic, reading and mathematical reasoning. The collection of the assessments is like a military operation and we will find out just how well the children have done by the end of June. On Monday, we received an unannounced visit from the Local Authority as part of their monitoring to ensure that the assessments are carried out as they should be. Needless to say, we passed the monitoring with flying colours and everything was as it should be. I would also like to thank the staff for their help before school. Mrs George has been busy preparing breakfast each day so I am sure all of the children will join me in saying ‘THANK YOU!’ I am personally hoping for Mrs George’s famous pancakes and sauce. Good luck to the children for the rest of the week. Once the SATS are over it is the turn of the year 2 children to have their knowledge and understanding assessed. Their assessments will begin at the end of the week and continue into next. If you have any questions about these or the forthcoming year 1 phonics assessments, please do contact Mrs Wilson and/or Mrs Delo. It will now be business as usual for the Year 6 children. As writing is no longer assessed during a formal assessment, Mrs Wason will be preparing the children’s writing and assessing herself. There is every chance that we will receive a Local Authority moderation of these assessments. If this is the case, we will all be as prepared as we can be.

Mrs Delo and I will soon be welcoming our 2019 new starter parents to school for an information evening. This is something that I look forward to every year. As you know, we are oversubscribed for September. Although it is not nice to turn children away, it is very rewarding that the school will be full in Reception from September. This is down to the hard work of Mrs Delo, the staff, children and the whole community. Word spreads and we are thankful for the kind messages that you offer. This week, we have welcomed two new children into both year 3 and 5 respectively. A successful school will be a full school. There are still places available throughout the year groups. Please spread that message. I am more than happy to show parents and their children around the school at any time. All they need do is make an appointment.

Have a super week, Mr Scott

Safeguarding

Fortunately, there are no current safeguarding concerns to share with you. I would remind you that as we enter the sunshine days, please send in sun tan lotion (in a named bottle). Alternatively, please do put cream on your children before they attend school. It can become very hot on the playground which is great but we must ensure the children are protected. There are also some children without a named water bottle. Please do ensure your child has one in school.

Parental Governor Vacancy

Please be reminded that this Friday is the last chance that you will have to vote for one of the two parents that have nominated themselves to be your voice on the Local Governing Body. Thank you to those of you whom have voted already.

Attendance



Whole School Attendance Target

96%

Willow Class – 90.9%

Ash Class – 93.9%

Oak Class – 89.4%

Hawthorn Class – 95.9%

Beech Class – 98.2%

Whole School – 93.8%

Cake Sale - £126.45!!!



'Wow' – well done Maisie for a fantastic Cake Sale!!!

Maisie, and family, worked really hard in preparation for the Cake Sale on Friday in aid of Alzheimer's Society, making lots of cakes for everyone to enjoy. The sale was a huge success and Maisie raised £126.45 for this very worthwhile cause. Thank you to all who donated cakes and money also. You are very generous.



New Entrants Evening



On Wednesday 12th June at 6.00pm, we will be holding our New Entrants Evening for Reception Intake 2019. During the evening prospective parents will learn about our EYFS provision and be able to ask any questions they may have. You may also email Mrs Delo at anytime:

ndelo@cottinghamprimary.co.uk

During the evening CSD will be in attendance to give an overview or extended services provision, along with our Breakfas Club Leader and Kingswood Catering, who will be offering many lovely dishes for you to sample. Please join us.....

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 2019



Corby Borough Council Neighbourhood Management Team are planning a National Walk to School Week 20th -24th May.

Primary schools across the borough have been invited to participate in this national campaign run by the UK walking Charity Living Streets. This will hopefully, encourage children to be more physically active, reduce some of the traffic congestion outside schools at key drop-off/pick-up times and reduce air pollution, as well as making our road and street areas safer at these times of the day. According to research, children who do some form of exercise for 60 minutes a day, including walking to school, perform better academically, have improved concentration levels and are happier and healthier.

On Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st May, children from Cottingham are invited to Walk to School. Parents may drop off at the Spread Eagle Car Park at 8.30am each morning. Children taking part will be awarded a certificate for taking part. Please note, photographs will be taken on both dates, for use in local press and school news. It is really important you let Mrs Southcombe know, if you **DO NOT** want your child's photo to be used.

Yoga



Children in Year 6 have enjoyed relaxing Yoga Sessions prior to their SATs. It was lovely to see the children enjoying the experience.

Please remember that Mrs Southcombe delivers a parent/child Yoga Session each Friday lunchtime at 12.30pm. If you would like to come along, please do so. Cost is only £2 per adult and £1 per child.

PTFA Dates



Friday 17th May - School disco. **(CANCELLED)**

Friday 24th May - mufti day in exchange for a £1.00 donation. Money raised will go towards updating outside area for children. We would like to invite the children to wear the colours of their house team. They will receive many house points in return.

Please note PTFA will be selling Ice-lollies outside school on Friday 24th May at the end of the school day. Roll up, Roll up!

**House Teams –
Current scores**

CARE – 533

BUILD – 526

FOLLOW – 604

THINK – 680

Summer Term Dates



**Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st May
Walk to School**

Thursday 24th May – Class Photos

Friday 24th May – School Closes for half-term

Wednesday 5th June – Year 5 Maths Day Rock UK

Monday 10th June – Healthy Eating Week

Wednesday 12th June – New Entrants Evening

Saturday 22nd June - Ground Force Day

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.



PLAYGROUND AWARD WINNERS
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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

GREAT VALUE £4.00 PER HOUR

24TH APRIL - 24TH MAY
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
@ COTTINGHAM
 WWW.CSDACTIVITYCAMPS.CO.UK

Upcoming Sporting Events

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

Cottingham Sports News



Sports Update

We have had another busy week of sport at Cottingham, on Monday our year 3/4 Football team took part in a tournament at Lodge park, despite dominating the first game we struggled to take our chances and unfortunately lost the game 1-0, after this slow start we responded extremely well, winning our next two games and giving ourselves a great chance of qualifying for the finals in June, we have two more group games to play in a couple of weeks and we will keep you updated on how we get on!

On Thursday Mrs Crainie and Mr Stafford attended a netball tournament with our year 5/6 team. The team did extremely well however struggled against some very tall opposition! Mrs Crainie was delighted with how well the team competed and battled despite the level of opposition. We have another set of games in the coming weeks where we will be hoping to improve on the results and qualify for the finals.

Last Friday Neil from Corby Smash Tennis centre came in to continue his work with our year 1's, Mr Stafford has been assisting these sessions and has been so impressed with the attitude the children have showed, the children have all improved there Tennis skills with a couple of children showing a real talent for the game.

Please remember to let us know of any sporting achievements outside of school, let Mr Stafford know and you could be in with a chance of winning sports star of the week!



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.....



We have agreed with Corby Smash Table Tennis to share information below with our families. If you or know of anyone who can help, please contact Colin Wilson.

Corby Smash Table Tennis is on the lookout for new premises. We are continuing our work, but after three and a half fantastic years on the Earlstees Industrial Estate we need to leave our current facility by the weekend of 15/16 June and are currently looking for new facility options. We need a space around 20x12m but could be larger (up to 30x20m) or smaller (down to 12x6m). We can be part of an existing facility, hiring hours within a shared space, or we could rent or lease a dedicated space. We need to be in the Corby/Kettering and district area for some of our work. We feel we have a lot to offer to many facility partners. If you have any ideas or knowledge of any facilities or premises that might be available, please let us know your ideas. Our contact information is on the Corby Smash Table Tennis website. Call Colin Wilson on 01536 206375 or email colin.wilson@corbysmashttc.co.uk. Thanks everyone!

‘Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do.’