

The Cottingham CofE Weekly

Issue 33 – Week Ending 19th July 2019

‘Those who know your name, trust in you, for you LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.’ PSALM 9:10



Dear Parent,

School is now out for summer. All of the staff and children have gone home to cool down after what must be the hottest day of the year so far. It was so nice to start the last day of term inside the church. Unfortunately, the school building does not offer such coolness. In true primary school tradition, the final day saw the year 6 leavers have their shirts signed by staff and children. These will be a nice reminder of many friends that they have made. At the church today, staff read their favourite lines relating to moving on. We heard bible quotes and also words of the great Dr Seuss. The church, as always was full with standing room only. The choir were superb and their jazzy tune went down well. The service was a fitting tribute also to two people who had played their part in its journey to today. Two very deserving pupils were presented with the Sue Beadsworth and Morey Gompertz awards for demonstrating the school values throughout the year. These awards will be given annually and will also tie in with some changes that we will be making to our behaviour and reward policy next year. More information will be sent in due course and will inform you that the current ‘Snakes and Ladders’ policy will be no more and we will now concentrate on using the school values as our overarching policy in which children will care, build, follow and think and will be rewarded in different ways. Over the last two years, the children have proven to the staff that they are now ready to perform to the high standards bestowed upon them. More to follow.

Such a bust year has flown by. I cannot really believe that I have been in the position as Headteacher for two years. Time certainly flies. Every day has been different. What I can say is that it has been a pleasure to lead your children so far. From reading the comments sent via Twitter or the report feedback sheets, it is clear to see that you all join me in acknowledging how our school is a community school. It is one big family. The staff know the children well as individuals and this was certainly evident in the comments provided by the staff on the reports. Due to our size, I feel that I know the children well. This certainly makes things easier as I can treat each child separately. We hope that our 20 new starters in September feel welcomed and soon become part of our family.

It was announced to the children today that both the KS1 and KS2 toilets will have a total refurbishment carried out starting this week. This work has been a long time coming and will be well received by all. The year 6 children were thanked for their part played. Some children have already promised to come back and visit them. Please have a lovely holiday. Take care and come back safe and sound in September where we will start again! Mr Scott

Safeguarding

As you will see from the attendance below, the whole school attendance was 94.2% this last week. For the whole year the average attendance is just under 96%. From September 2019 it would be very much appreciated if less holiday time is taken during the school day. Missed days in school always means missed learning opportunities. Illness cannot be helped. We would really appreciate your support in raising attendance to above 96% in 2019. Thank you as always.



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Total raised
£2105

Attendance



Whole School Attendance Target

96%

Willow Class – 93.8%

Ash Class – 96.9%

Oak Class – 94%

Hawthorn Class – 91.6%

Beech Class – 94.5%

Whole School – 94.2%

Summer Reading Challenge We need to retain our title!

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

SPACE CHASE

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Have you seen this crew?



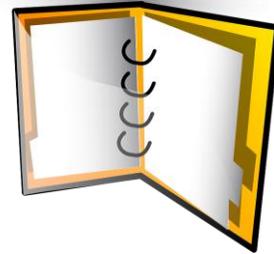
Join **FREE** at your local library!

**Saturday 13th July
to
Saturday 7th September**

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Diary Dates from September



Wednesday 4th September – School re-opens to pupils

Friday 6th September – KS2 Trip Hamerton Zoo

Friday 20th September – KS2 Kids of Steel Triathlon

Friday 25th October – School closes for Half Term

Monday 4th November – School re-opens to pupils

Monday 4th November – Individual photos.

(Please note if your child has a younger sibling they may have a photo done together from 8.30am – 8.50am)

Monday 11th November – Year 6 to Rock UK

More dates to follow once diary has been confirmed

East Carlton Park



On Monday the whole school enjoyed a visit to East Carlton Park. The weather was on our side and the children had a wonderful time, playing organised games and enjoying a picnic with their friends and staff. All of this fun was FREE also. We are lucky to have the park on our door steps.

Hamerton Zoo Park

On Friday 6th September, all children from KS2 will be attending Hamerton Zoo Park. Payments may be made via Parentmail during the school holidays. Letters will be given out upon return to school and permission slips must be handed in the next day. Many thanks. We are looking forward to our visit.

HEADTEACHER AWARD WINNERS
Congratulations to the Headteacher Award
winner this week.



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



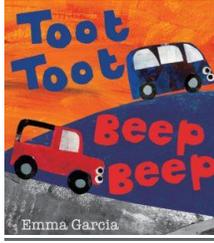
PLAYGROUND AWARD WINNERS
Congratulations to the Playground Award
winners this week.



WONDERFUL WRITERS
Congratulations to the Wonderful Writers
award winners this week.



Beep, Beep Assembly Willow Class



Willow class enjoyed their Beep, Beep visit. They found out about the 5 rules for crossing the road safely and finished with some super hand printing. We now hope that they are fully equipped for a safe summer!

Academic Year 2019/2020

Term Dates

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**

MINDFULNESS CHAMPIONS

These children will be our very first Mindfulness Champions from September. Their roll hasn't been fully discussed as yet but we hope that they will be visible throughout the school helping where they can. The children recently received training offered by Pacesetters to all PDET schools.



RAFFLE WINNERS

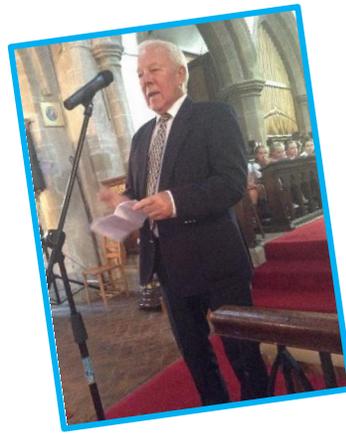
The final raffle winners of the year received a prize bag that included a book voucher. Well done for working hard this year. Enjoy your chosen book.



HOUSE WINNERS

Team Follow were the final winners of the House Points challenge. They enjoyed a well-deserved extended break time on the last day of term.





END OF YEAR SERVICE

On the last day of the school year, many parents and family members were able to join the staff and children at the final service of the year. The choir performed superbly lead by Mrs Willis. Children and staff spoke about next steps. The whole of the church sang along to well-known hymns. The service also saw two children awarded with newly introduced awards. The Sue Beadsworth award was presented by Mr Beadsworth to a year 6 pupil who the staff felt had consistently demonstrated the school values throughout the year. The Morey Gompertz award was presented for similar reasons to a deserved year 2 pupil. Both children took away a small award and bible as a super reminder. They should be very proud of themselves. We have a lovely heart shaped shield that will remain in school and over the years will show the names of children receiving it. Well done girls.

'Keep the faith, don't lose your perseverance and trust your gut instinct.' Paula Abdul