

# The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

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**'I am able to do all things through him who strengthens me.' Philipians**



Dear Parent/Carer,

Another fortnight has come and gone. I am constantly asking myself where the time has gone. As the time flies I also look back over a day – a week – and can see all of the learning that has taken place not only in books but also learning new behavioural strategies for example or a new skill in PE. What is evident is that the staff and children are so dedicated to their time in school and not a single minute is wasted.

At my son's football matches over the weekend I witnessed the worst behaviour that I have ever seen towards a young referee. In my 40 years being involved in local football as a player, coach and parent is was sad to see. My younger son witnessed the behaviour and I hope he has been brought up to not show it himself. It was made more disappointing as it came at the end of a game that earlier started with a minutes silence in memory of the young boy who died in Blackpool last week. My thoughts have been with his family, friends and staff at his club and school. I am sure, like me you are grateful for all that you have this week. Please share a thought along with me for such a tragedy.

As you know, we have a group of KS2 children who we call the Magnificent Minds. Their job is to be a port of call for their peers and to help with all of our wellbeing cross the school. This week they have planned various activities to show our thoughts within National Wellbeing Awareness week. Our children are very well cared for at our school whether that be by the staff, fellow pupils for parents.

You will all have received various letters lately regarding trips and visits. With these letters, we have asked for voluntary contributions to cost of resources and travel for example. We are very grateful for the contributions that you make. Without them, some trips and visits would not be possible as the school budget cannot always be relied upon. Again, thank you on behalf of the children and staff. We look forward to some super learning outside of school.

I have been impressed lately with the skills being shown by the children in Ash and Willow during their tennis sessions. I am looking forward to the end of term when all of the children will spend the morning at the tennis centre. If your child has talked positively about the tennis I would certainly, from my own experience, recommend the centre to you.

In the coming weeks, you will receive a draft copy of a new uniform policy. Please do give some time to read and offer feedback upon its contents. The policy will then be introduced in readiness for September 2021...

Have a lovely week...Mr Scott

## SAFEGUARDING



## SUNSHINE!!!!

*It's a shame that we are not needing sun cream on at the moment. Hopefully that will change soon with a turn in the weather. When appropriate to do so please do ensure that the children have had sun cream put on before school or bring in their own cream (labelled). It will be the child's responsibility to put the cream on themselves. We would also certainly recommend a sun hat! We do lack areas of shade so hopefully Mrs Southcombe's fund raising efforts will help to fund more in the future...*

## KS2 Trip Burghley House – Change of Date



We are delighted to confirm that on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July**, children from KS2 will be visiting Burghley House in Stamford. More information, including contribution towards cost of the trip will be sent home shortly. This will provide the children with a super learning experience at the end of their latest QUEST. As you will know, they held a Tudor feast that kick started the QUEST with a Boooooom! If you have not been to Burghley yourself, it is a super place that will certainly provide the 'WOW' factor. We will be seeking a parental contribution towards the costs of the trip and thank you in advance for your support.

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## Bikeability



Children in Year 6 will enjoy Bikeability Training from **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May**. Fingers crossed for fine weather!!! It is really important that your child's bike is roadworthy. You have all received a copy of the checklist, however, another will be sent home via parentmail.

Bikes may be brought into school on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – they can be kept at school until **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May** – **but we must stress this will be at your own risk**. Children are to bring bicycles into the hall on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Children are welcome to bring a lock for their bike and all helmets are to be named. Children to wear PE kit, sensible foot wear and waterproof jackets.



## Magnificent Minds & Mindfulness



Preparations are well underway for Mental Health Awareness Week - commencing on Monday 17th May. We are encouraging children to take part in Walk to School Week - you may park at the Spread Eagle Car Park and walk with your child from there - or maybe park in Middleton. Children will be taking home passports on Friday - if they get 5 ticks (one for each day) they will be presented with a Walk to School Medal. In addition to this they will be taking part in assemblies, encouraging the benefits of walking/cycling to school. Children in KS1 will enjoy a Beep Beep assembly.

The Magnificent Mind Team have worked very hard and are organising activities for lunchtime. In addition to the above, children will have the opportunity to sample Exotic Fruits – to encourage healthy eating = health mind.



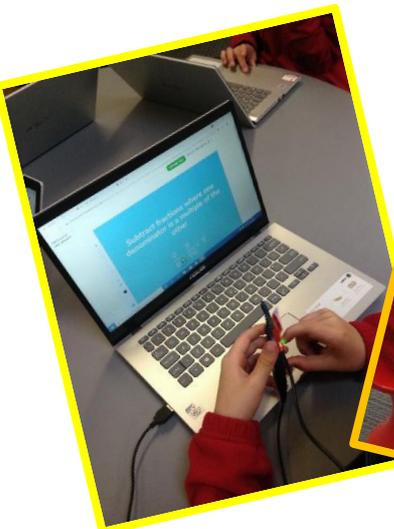
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## Daily Phonics

Every day, the children in Willow and Ash class receive a phonics session. The children are split into different groups and like clockwork they receive daily teaching from Mrs Wilson, Mrs Delo, Miss McPhie, Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Baker. Due to having the daily, consistent sessions, the children are also becoming phonics experts and are able to read and work well in partners and groups. Having the phonic knowledge at an early age will be a vital resource for them in future years.



## NTP – Catch Up programme

As you know, schools received funding from the government that would allow them to provide catch up tutoring. As a result of the different lockdowns, children had gaps in their knowledge. For some time now, we have been able to use our funding allocation to provide online maths support for children in KS2, a tutor for children in KS1 and in school support from staff both during the day and as booster session for after school. We have even been able to use the funding to support the cost of IT resourced needed for remote learning. Here are some children pictured having 1:1 online maths tutoring recently.

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## Sports Update

I have been lucky enough to watch our Key stage one take part in tennis lessons over the last couple of Fridays and I have been so impressed with Ash and Willow class. Neil the tennis coach commented on how well they are all doing and that he is delivering lessons to our youngest children that he has never been able to teach children of that age before! We look forward to attending the tennis centre in a couple of weeks where I'm sure all the children will have a terrific time.



I have three sports stars of the weeks this week. Elias has achieved a brown belt in his karate and has been working very hard towards this in recent months. Bowie has also began gymnastics and has been working extremely hard, he was awarded star of the week at his gymnastics for his hard work! And well done to Elijah who was awarded player of the week at his football club, Elijah is getting more confident with his Football and improving every week, well done everyone.



I couldn't write this sports update without a mention and congratulations to all the Leicester City fans, it was a truly amazing and nerve racking day for all involved and I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did!

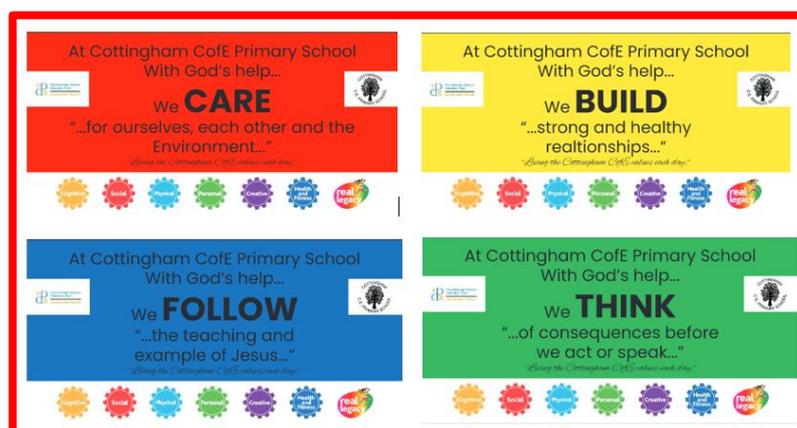


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## Shade Sail Competition – PLEASE VOTE!

We have entered an exciting competition with [A&S Landscape](#) who are awarding a [shade sail](#) to one lucky school. To win this fantastic prize we need to collect the highest number of votes! [Please click here to vote for our school](#). Shade will allow opportunities to work outside all year round and having a seating area would lend itself to outdoor teaching and story telling etc.

Once you have voted don't stop there! Please spread the message on friends, parents and supplier's websites as well as social media to help us win!



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## HOPE FOR FAMILIES

Welcome to Hope for Families - a not-for-profit organisation based in Corby. We want every family to know there is hope for them and we are passionate about building strong family relationships through three main streams - parent support, couple support and faith in the family. We are a Christian organisation, passionate about working with all families, wherever they are on their journey of faith. Our new website - <https://hopeforfamilies.org.uk> - has just launched and it's full of information on the support we offer, upcoming events and a little bit about our story. You can also follow us on social media @hopeforfamiliesuk. We would love to support you and your family in whatever way we can so please do get in touch!



## PARENT GOVERNOR POSITION

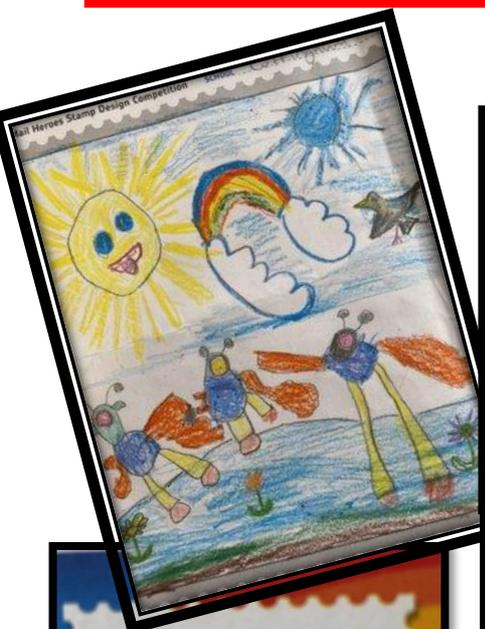
Following the recent invitation for parents to nominate themselves to be elected as a Parent Governor at the school, we are pleased to announce that Alaric Nursey has been re-appointed for another term. Alaric's nomination was not contested and therefore he is duly appointed without the requirement for an election. We are grateful for Alaric's continued support to the school through our Academy Governance Committee.



### Parent Views

Please spare a few minutes to provide feedback upon well-being, remote learning etc. This is important feedback that will give the AGC useful insight to your thoughts.. (Scan the QR code to access the survey)

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## ROYAL MAIL STAMP DESIGN

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May** is the closing date for the children to enter Royal Mail's super stamp competition. Please check out [www.royalmail.com/stampcompetition](http://www.royalmail.com/stampcompetition) for more information.



## Magnificent Minds in Action!!!!



## Walk to school week....



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## SAFER CORBY TEAM GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN SCHOOL DISPLAY COMPETITION

Above is an example of the potential space we could have for the Spring Clean campaign display in Willow Place, Corby. However, we may also be offered a smaller retail unit, so we may have to adapt the winning display accordingly. Some ideas to get you started could be:

1. Posters/drawings of different sizes (A4, A3 etc).
2. Perhaps you may want to do a mosaic type picture of the planet with some key anti litter messages or litter facts?
3. A sea themed display, highlighting the impact of litter on our oceans/marine wildlife.
4. A display focused around promoting responsible disposal of face masks.
5. Poems about the importance of caring for our environment.
6. Display on dog fouling and the importance of picking up after your dog.
7. Promoting the value of our woodlands and green spaces for our physical and mental health and the importance of keeping them clean and litter free.
8. Perhaps include a Christmas tree, with litter hung from it!

Hopefully these suggestions will start yours and your pupil's imagination! The deadline for submitting displays is **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May**.

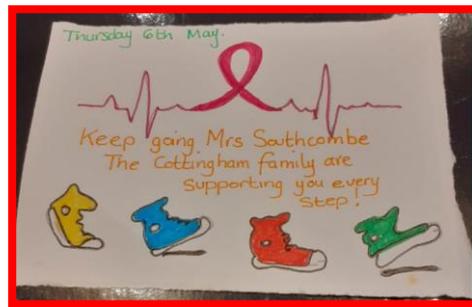
Please place all display material into folders/boxes and other suitable storage. Label contact details (school, contact name and details and class name). Please contact Suzanne Preston at [Suzanne.preston@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:Suzanne.preston@northnorthants.gov.uk) when it is ready to be collected from the school.

Good luck!



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## Mrs Southcombe's 100 Mile Walking Challenge



On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May – we will be celebrating Values Day in school.

Mrs Southcombe will be walking the last 3 miles around the school field with KS2 throughout the day.

At 2.45pm parents are invited along to the school field (socially distanced) to help the children clap Mrs Southcombe in for the final part of her walk – and she will have pleasure in presenting Mr Scott with some very muddy boots to clean!!!

Children who have collected the most sponsorship money will be presented with prizes during worship. Please send all forms and sponsorship money into school no later than Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – we will announce the final amount raised on Values Day.



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## Academic Year 2020 to 2021

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Monday 12 April 2021</b>	<b>Friday 28 May 2021</b>
Term 6	Monday 7 June 2021	Tuesday 20 July 2021

## **Academic Year 2021 to 2022**

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 1	Wednesday 1 September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Term 2	Monday 1 November 2021	Friday 17 December 2021
Term 3	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 11 February 2022
Term 4	Monday 21 February 2022	Friday 1 April 2022
Term 5	Tuesday 19 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
Term 6	Monday 6 June 2022	Friday 22 July 2022

## **INSET Days 2021 to 2022**

(Please note these could be subject to change. Sufficient notice will be given if possible)

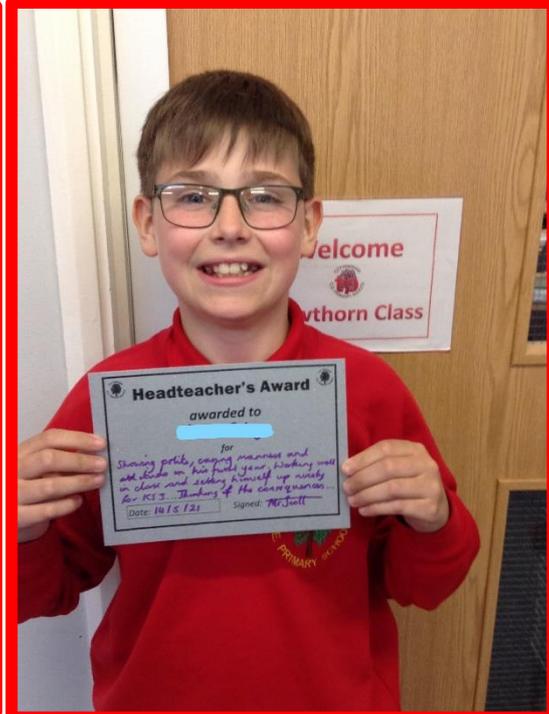
1. Wednesday 01/09/2021
2. Thursday 02/09/2021
3. Friday 03/09/2021
4. Tuesday 04/01/2022
5. Monday 21/02/20

Walk to school week....

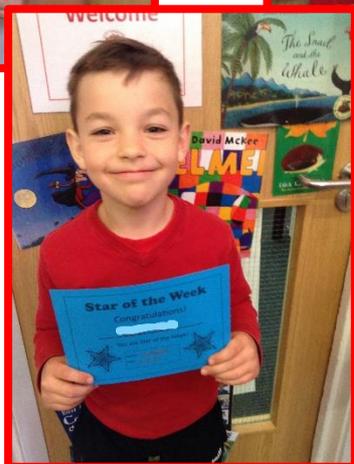
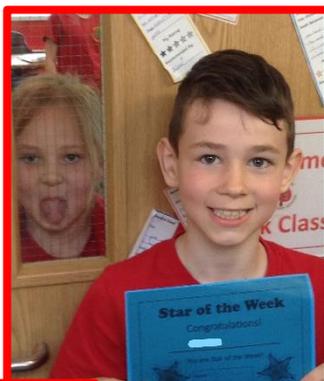


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## HEADTEACHER AWARD WINNER



## STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS



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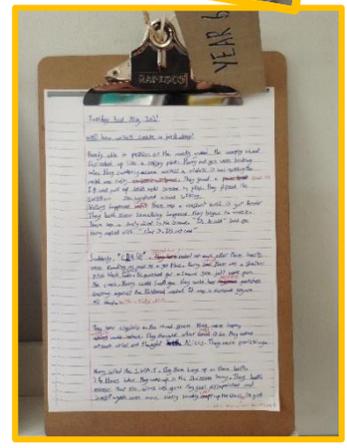
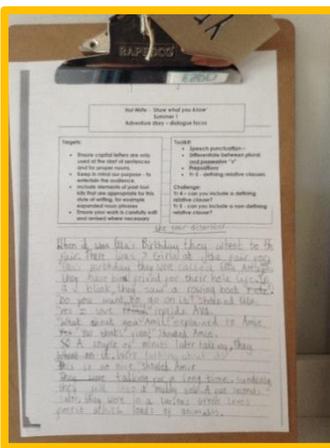
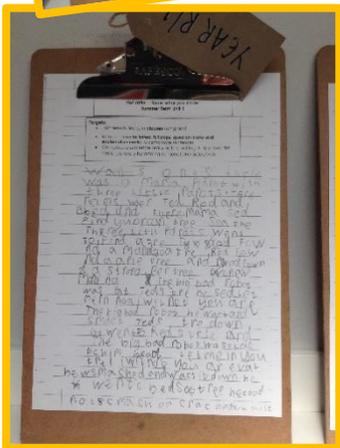
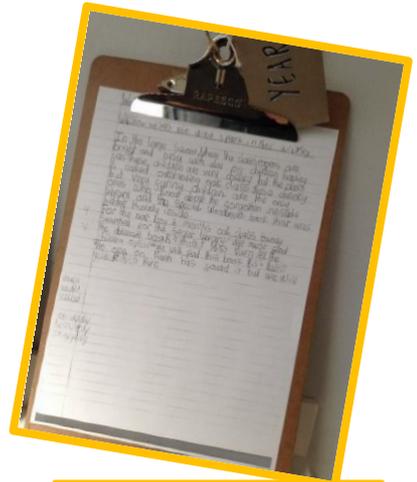
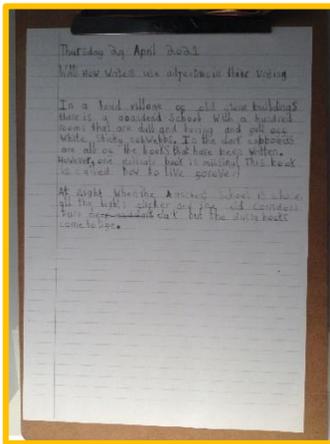
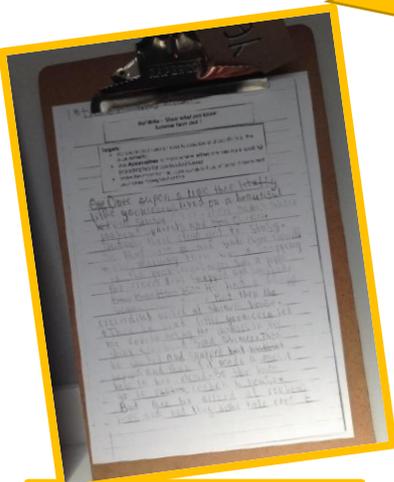
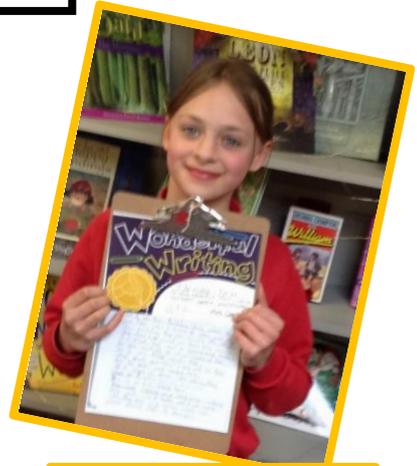
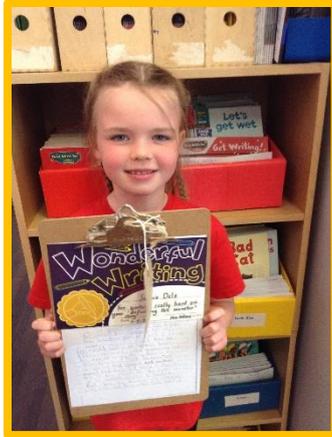
Walk to school week – Lose your lazy legs!

As part of our mental health awareness week, the children and family members are welcome to walk to and from school throughout the week. Lose those lazy legs in return for a super medal to show that you took part...



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## WONDERFUL WRITER AWARD WINNERS



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## KS1 Trip – Rockingham Castle



On Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June, all children in KS1 will be visiting Rockingham Castle as part of their learning quest based around kings and queens. We will be learning about significant historical individuals and places in our own locality. As part of this we will be visiting Rockingham Castle where the children will be able to find out about Henry VIII and the historical significance of the castle. Letters have been sent home....please ensure all pa

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## A Message from St Mary Magdalene Church.....



**We are planning a church service and would love to see you there after this long absence**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June 10am**

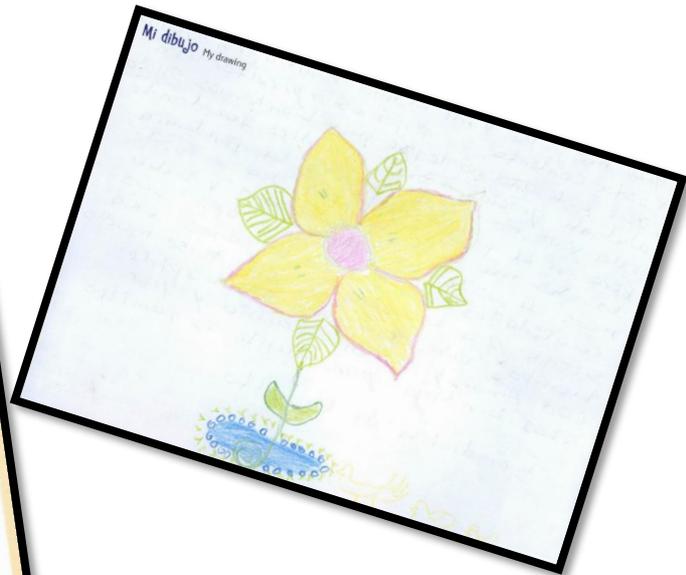
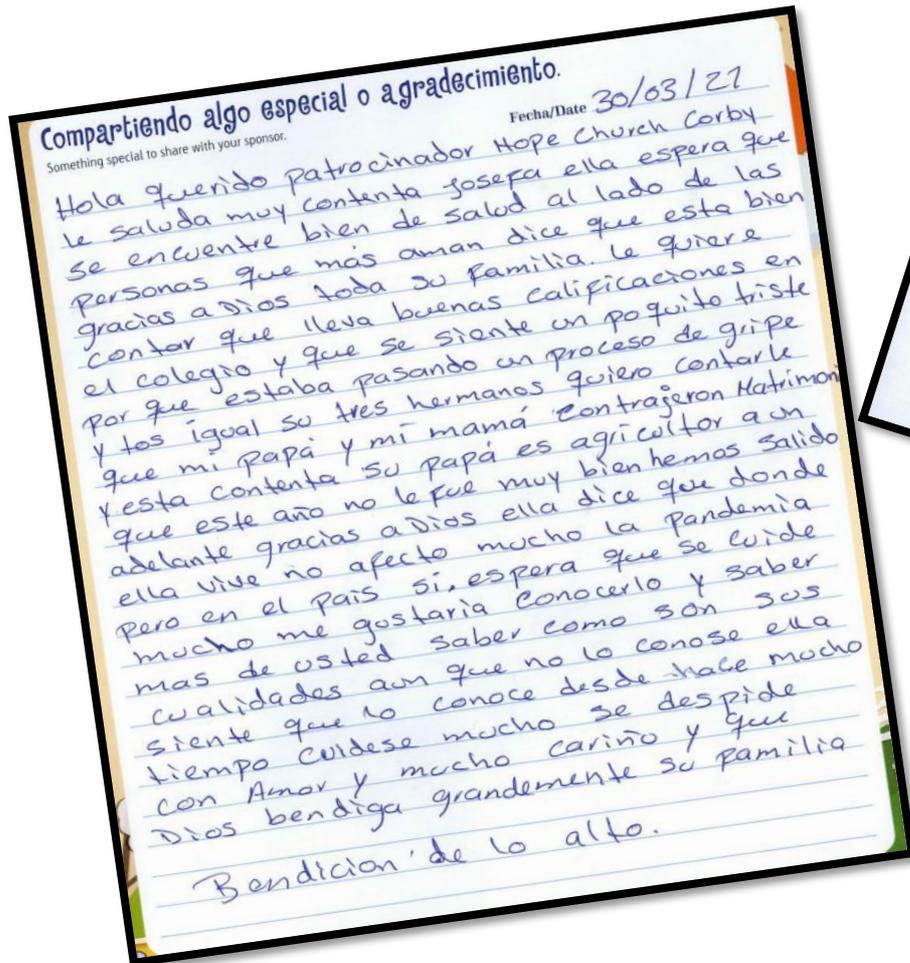
**Short Service at St Mary Magdalene Church Cottingham**

**Please join us if you can.**

**It is respectfully requested - unless you are exempt - that a face mask is worn.**



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Hello dear sponsor Hope Church Corby. Josefa greets you very happy, she hopes you are in good health next to the people you love the most. She says she's good thank God, her whole family too. She wants to tell you she has good grades in school and she feels a bit sad because she had the flu and cough, her three siblings too. I want to tell you that my dad and my mom got married, I am happy because my dad is a farmer, despite this year he didn't do so well we have been able to move forward thanks to God. She says that where she lives wasn't affected a lot by the pandemic but the rest of the country was. She hopes you take care. I would like to meet you one day and know more about you, know how you are, your qualities. Despite she doesn't know you she feels she knows you from a long time ago. Take care. She says goodbye with a lot of love and affection, may God bless your family greatly. Blessings.

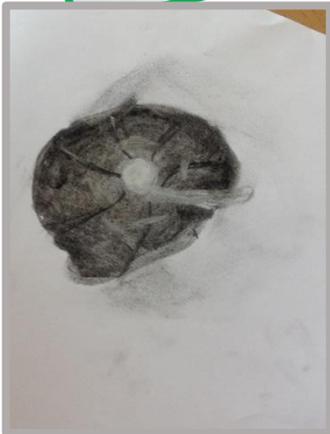
## CHILD SPONSOR - Josefa

For a number of years, the children have sponsored a child called Josefa through our partnership with Hope Church. We recently received a lovely letter from Josefa and have attached above with a translation and picture. Thank you for all of the sponsors over the years....

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## ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE – Green or Red peppers?

As well as working hard in reading, writing and maths, the children across the school have been adding to their sketchbooks. These examples of still life sketching were taken from a Hawthorn art lesson last week. The staff are making very good use of skills progression documents that ensure the children receive the correct teaching at the right time. As you can see, these are super examples of art skills being used.



## TENNIS

More tennis has been on offer for the children in Willow and Ash this term. At the end of the term, all of the children will be attending our very own tennis morning at the Corby Tennis Centre. This will be a great opportunity for the children to play tennis in a purpose built venue and put their skills into play.

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## MONDAY FOOTBALL KS1 4.30PM - 5.30PM

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MONDAY 7TH JUNE 2021 - MONDAY 19TH JULY 2021

### Cottingham CofE After School Club Monday Football KS1 4.30pm - 5.30pm

“The activities at CSD After School Club and staff are outstanding! We will definitely be back.”  
Gemma

Come and learn new skills, dribbling, passing, tackling and scoring, with weekly prizes awarded! Coached by Mr Stafford.

”

Weekly competitions and prizes for winners

**MONDAY KS1  
Football**

**CLUBS  
GALORE!!!**

**4:30 – 5:30**

*We are pleased that CSD are offering 4:30 – 5:30 clubs from Mon-Fri next term. Please book places through CSD.*

## TUESDAY ATHLETICS 4.30PM - 5.30PM

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TUESDAY 8TH JUNE 2021 - TUESDAY 20TH JULY 2021

### Cottingham CofE After School Club Tuesday Athletics 4.30pm - 5.30pm

“My daughter has been going to CSD After School Clubs for many years, she absolutely loves it.”  
Tracey

Come and learn new skills, teamwork, communication and with weekly prizes awarded! Coached by Mr Stafford.

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Weekly competitions and prizes for winners

**TUESDAY KS1/KS2  
Athletics**

**BOOK  
NOW**

## WEDNESDAY FOOTBALL KS2 4.30PM - 5.30PM

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WEDNESDAY 9TH JUNE - WEDNESDAY 14TH JULY 2021

### Cottingham CofE After School Club Wednesday Football KS2 4.30pm - 5.30pm

“The CSD After School Club team are always friendly, approachable and professional.”  
Danielle

Come and learn new skills, dribbling, passing, tackling and scoring, with weekly prizes awarded! Coached by Mr Stafford.

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Weekly world cups and prizes for winners

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**WEDS KS2  
Football**

## FRIDAY HOCKEY 4.30PM - 5.30PM

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FRIDAY 11TH JUNE 2021 - FRIDAY 23RD JULY 2021

### Cottingham CofE After School Club Friday Hockey KS1/KS2 4.30pm - 5.30pm

“I would use CSD After School Club again as my son loves it and it is very convenient.”  
Angela

Come and learn new skills, co-ordination, agility, discipline and teamwork, with weekly prizes awarded! Coached by Mr Stafford.

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Weekly competitions and prizes for winners

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**FRIDAY KS1/KS2  
Hockey**

## THURSDAY TAG RUGBY 4.30PM - 5.30PM

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THURSDAY 10TH JUNE 2021 - THURSDAY 22ND JULY 2021

### Cottingham CofE After School Club Thursday Tag Rugby KS1/KS2 4.30pm - 5.30pm

“I am very confident with the staff that they provide a safe but fun environment.”  
Elizabeth

Come and learn new skills, passing/receiving the ball, attacking and defending against opponents, with weekly prizes awarded! Coached by Mr Stafford.

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Weekly competitions and prizes for winners

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**THURS KS1/KS2  
Tag Rugby**

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## COTTINGHAM CofE PTFA

### Dress Down Days – In return for £1

11th June - Shorts & Shades -

6th July - Dress as your sporting hero KS2

7th July - Dress as your sporting hero KS1

### Euro Football Card.

Look out for our Euro 21 football card! The winner of the competition will receive £80.00 and the runner up to receive £40.00 - remaining funds towards outdoor learning area. Watch this space for your chance to have a go!

### Sports Day Refreshments.

Look out for the PTFA refreshment tent (gazebo) on the playing field for the upcoming Sports days. Refreshments will include soft drinks/water and Ice lollies!

### Sports themed fundraising fun day.

Monday 19th July. Children can win prizes in basketball hoops, football taps, goal scoring. There will be a small fee to take part in the various sporting challenges.

### Ice lolly sales

Now that the weather is warming up look out for our ice lolly sales to take place on the field in front of Mr Scott's office.

**FUNDRAINING THIS YEAR WILL HELP TOWARDS PROVIDING OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACE/S FOR THE CHILDREN. WE WOULD HOPE TO RAISE ENOUGH FUNDS TO BE ABLE TO PURCHASE A SAIL/S SUCH AS THESE IN THE PICS. ALL OF YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.**