

The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

Issue 2 – Week Ending 24th September 2021

**‘Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as Christ forgave you.’
Ephesians 4:32**



Dear Parent/carer,

I would like to begin my welcome by asking you all to be vigilant with regards to online safety at home. A chat site called Omegle has come to my attention as a site that is not suitable for the children yet easily accessible. If you have any questions or concerns about this site then please feel free to contact me or use the CEOPS logo on the school website where you can find lots of relevant and up to date advice.

In the meantime, has it really been two weeks since the last news was sent home to you? I always write that time does fly and it certainly does at Cottingham CofE. I write these notes with the sky looking gloomy and the rain pouring down! The summer is well and truly a thing of the past and we are in the autumn with winter not far away. It is the time of year though when many schools, including ours, celebrate Harvest. Already, we are building up a large harvest collection that will be donated to good causes. Thank you for supporting our collection this year. I am pleased to say that we will be able to visit the church this year where our new vicar, Reverend Amanda, will welcome the children and staff. It has been a while since we last visited. Hopefully next time we can invite everyone.

Sports fixtures have begun and I was able to witness our Year 1/2 football teams bring silverware back from their tournament in Northampton. As it was the first time we have entered we can say we have a 100% winning record. I am sure these boys and girls will have many more successes in the future. On the sports note, attendance at after school clubs at the moment is disappointing. If you are able to offer Mr Stafford or I any feedback as to why then please get in touch and I can pass it on. Hopefully numbers will pick up and we won't lose the various activities to low numbers.

You will read further on that the PTFA have planned some events including an AGM. Please DO support this event and meet the PTFA and other parents. I will also attend and look forward to meeting you at The George, 7pm on Wednesday 6th October. Just come for a drink and a free raffle and see what the plans are for the year ahead. You will be most welcome. In my five years here, the various members of the PTFA (Past and present) have worked hard to provide for our children. For example, we have an amazing, well stocked library, IT equipment and trips/visitors subsidised. What ideas could you bring to the table? Maybe you could offer certain skills?

Finally, we are currently advertising for a new Teaching Assistant and welcome applications from suitably qualified adults. Please share or indeed apply yourself if you feel you meet the criteria.

Thank you, have a super week/weekend, Mr Scott

SAFEGUARDING

Emergency Contact & Medical Information

It is imperative that we have the correct and most up to date contact and medical information for your child. Please ensure you contact the school office if any information has changed by email:

admin@cottinghamprimary.co.uk

GDPR

Privacy Notices

The latest Privacy Notices can be found on the school website www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk

Photos

Please let the school office know if you **DO NOT** want photographs of your child taken and used in the newsletter, twitter or any other social media

Residential Trips 2021/2022



Frontier Centre – Rock UK

Our Year 6 children will be visiting The Frontier Centre, Irthlingborough from Monday 18th October – Friday 22nd October.

Kit lists have now been sent home – a final arrangements letter will also be sent a week or 2 before departure.

www.frontiercentre.co.uk

Beaumanor

Year 2 will be visiting Beaumanor on February 25th for one night and Year 4 will be visiting from 18th May for 2 nights. More information and costs will be sent home in September!

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Magnificent Mind Team



The MMT team continue to do a fantastic job. Next Friday 8th October is Mental Health Awareness Day in school. We are encouraging children to wear pink or purple in exchange for £1.00. All donations will be used for resources, used by the MMT. In addition the team will take it in turns to write a piece for this newsletter each fortnight. The below news has been written by Ava.....Well done Ava 😊

Today me and my magnificent mind team friends have discussed what we are going to do with you to make our minds be healthy and are our bodies to be pain free. We thought it would be a nice idea to do some outside yoga which my colleague Mrs Southcombe will be leading. We will also be re-introducing the exotic fruit boxes which will lead to healthier bodies. We are introducing a lunch time rota during KS2 lunch with activity boxes and colouring. The magnificent minds will be doing an assembly all about mental health and what the magnificent minds team role is. We would like to invite you on mental health awareness day for children to wear something pink or most importantly purple for £1.00 which will be used for school resources for mindfulness. This pink or purple item can be, a head band, a bracelet, a piece of clothing or footie if not then just wear your uniform!

Thank you for your time reading this letter, hope you can take part with all of our activities.

Written by

Va one of the magnificent mind team members.

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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

HANDLING ANGER IN THE FAMILY (EVENING)

This 4 session course focuses on how you and your child can understand and manage anger in a safe and healthy way.

Date and time: Monday evenings 7:00-9:00pm, 11th October - 8th November (with a break for half-term)

Cost: £10 per household including accompanying parent handbook (RRP. £9.99), additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/171115861147>

TIME OUT FOR PARENTS - CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

This 7 session course gives an opportunity for parents and carers of 3-11 year olds with a disability or additional needs to share and support one another. Each session focuses on helping you to meet your child's needs.

Date and time: Tuesday evenings 7:00-9:00pm, 12th October - 30th November (with a break for half term)

Cost: £17.50 per household including accompanying parent handbook (RRP. £9.99), additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/162286235499>

LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES

This 2 hour session is designed to help parents and carers to safely navigate the online world with their children. This session is mainly aimed at parents of primary aged children.

Date and time: Monday 26th October, 7:00-9:00pm

Cost: £7.50 per household including session notes, additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/171109131017>

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HANDLING ANGER IN THE FAMILY (MORNING)

This 4 session course focuses on how you and your child can understand and manage anger in a safe and healthy way.

Date and time: Wednesday mornings 9:30-11:30am, 17th November - 8th December

Cost: £10 per household including accompanying parent handbook (RRP. £9.99), additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/163342853873>



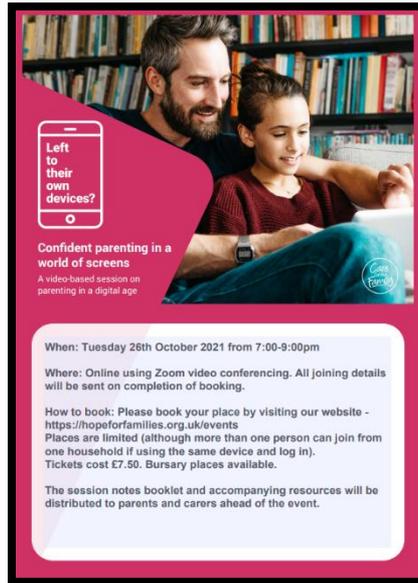
Time Out For Parents
Handling Anger in the Family
Sessions for anyone parenting children aged 5 to 16

We have two online courses running this term - Monday evening (11th Oct - 8th Nov) and Wednesday morning (27th Nov - 8th Dec)

Book your place online visit hopeforfamilies.org.uk/events

For more information contact Hope for Families 07784 333825 or email hello@hopeforfamilies.org.uk

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Time Out For Parents
Children with Special Needs
Sessions for anyone parenting children with special needs aged 3 to 11

Left to their own devices?

Confident parenting in a world of screens
A video based session on parenting in a digital age

When: Tuesday 26th October 2021 from 7:00-9:00pm

Where: Online using Zoom video conferencing. All joining details will be sent on completion of booking.

How to book: Please book your place by visiting our website - <https://hopeforfamilies.org.uk/events>
Places are limited (although more than one person can join from one household if using the same device and log in).
Tickets cost £7.50. Bursary places available.

The session notes booklet and accompanying resources will be distributed to parents and carers ahead of the event.



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Children with Special Needs
Sessions for anyone parenting children with special needs aged 3 to 11

Dates
Every Tuesday, 7:00pm - 9:00pm
12th October - 30th November

This course will be run online via Zoom

Book your place online
Visit hopeforfamilies.org.uk

For more information contact Hope for Families on 07784 333825 or email hello@hopeforfamilies.org.uk

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HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES



HEALTHY SNACKS

In Ash/Willow there is time allocated daily to sharing the government funded fruit or vegetables and a healthy snack. Children are encouraged to fully participate and the opportunity is made to talk about what they are eating, how it is prepared and why they are eating it. As our snack is a self-service snack, the children are involved in collecting, preparing and handing out the fruit/vegetables and the various snack items to their peers.

We would encourage Key Stage 2 children to bring fruit/vegetable healthy snacks where possible. ***We are though keen that the children have a snack that they enjoy so just ask that you avoid sending in a chocolate bar/crisps for snack time.*** Children with those items will be reminded/asked to pop them into their lunchboxes.

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Sports Update

Well done to our year one and two footballers who entered a Football competition last week. Some of the footballers had never played in a Football match before! Our teams did amazing with one team achieving a 6th place finished whilst the other team went on and won the tournament! Well done to everyone who attended.



Below is a table of events that are taking place in the coming months, children will be invited to events via letter nearer to the time.

<i>Event</i>	<i>Year Group</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Uni Hockey</i>	<i>1/2</i>	<i>12-10-21</i>
<i>Boys Football</i>	<i>5/6</i>	<i>12-10-21</i>
<i>Cross Country</i>	<i>KS2</i>	<i>02-11-21</i>
<i>Tag Rugby</i>	<i>5/6</i>	<i>24-11-21</i>
<i>Winter Olympics</i>	<i>3/4</i>	<i>13-12-21</i>



Uniform

We are still finding items of uniform that are un-named. We are mindful that uniform costs money and really don't want you to have to buy more.

Naming items will ensure they are returned to the wearer. As always, any uniform that does not find its wearer will be donated to a good cause.

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Download the 'My Morrisons' app today and start collecting Tokens for our school. Please do remember to collect tokens for your school – these are collected via the app. Tokens will be used in exchange for gardening equipment.

Parental Consultation's via Zoom



Willow / Ash – Tuesday 12th October

Oak/ Beech/ Hawthorn – Thursday 14th October

From Monday 4th October parents may make appointments by phone call to Mrs Southcombe 01536 771391 or email

admin@cottinghamprimary.co.uk

Class teachers will send zoom links nearer the time



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Academic Year 2021 to 2022

Please note – school will re-open to pupils for Term 1 on Monday 6th September 2021

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

Remaining INSET Days 2021 to 2022

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

- Tuesday 04/01/2022
- Monday 21/02/2022

Academic Year 2022 to 2023

The consultation on term dates for the 2022 to 2023 school year is now closed

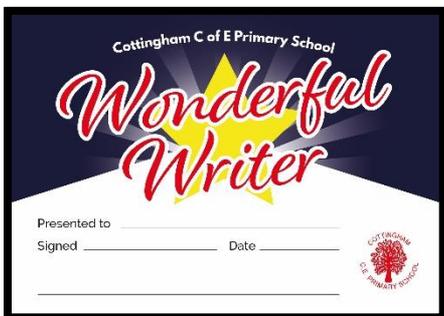
The term dates for the 2022 to 2023 academic year have now been confirmed.

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 1	Thursday 1 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 October 2022	Friday 16 December 2022
Term 3	Tuesday 3 January 2023	Friday 10 February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023

INSET Days 2022 to 2023

- Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September 2022
- Monday 31st October 2022
- Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- Friday 31st March 2023.

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Young Voices Choir



Choir practice is going really well and children are looking forward to The Young Voices Concert on Thursday 27th January 2022. Parents must pay for audience tickets by this Thursday, 30th September. Please note, once tickets are purchased refunds **cannot** be made. Tickets must be ordered through the school office. More information about arrangements for the day to follow.....

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**Choosing a
Primary School
place for 2022?**

BE - AWARE

Please be aware of this online chat site called Omegle. It is easily accessible and not appropriate for our children.



Talk to strangers!

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SCHOOL PLACES – PLEASE SHARE!

We have only just welcomed 18 new starters into Willow class! We are already having visits for places in September 2022! The children took home a flyer this week that we would ask you to pass on. Please do share via Twitter/Facebook etc. If you can spare some time to put flyers through local letter boxes, please email head@cottinghamprimary.co.uk your support, as always is very much appreciated.



Choosing a Primary School place for 2022?



Cottingham C of E Primary School welcomes you to take a guided tour of the school. Children are welcome to come along too.

Date: Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Time: 9.30am to 10.30am and 1.30pm to 2.30pm

For more details or to RSVP please call **01536 771391**

Berryfield Road, Cottingham, LE16 8XB
www.CottinghamPrimary.co.uk

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From your PTFA



Calling All Wizards

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY & YOU COULD WIN:



**Harry Potter
& The Cursed Child
Family Theatre Voucher**

&

**Harry Potter
Warner Brothers Studio
Family Tour Ticket**

- Please help boost school fundraising
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000
- Tickets cost just £1 a week

BUY TICKETS



Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 30th Oct 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website)

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2021 AGM Cottingham C of E PTEA Everyone welcome



- Hear about PTFA activities over the past year.
- Hear about our upcoming events for this term.

- Volunteer to help organise future events.
- Decide how money raised is spent.

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Red Arrows

Last week, we were all lucky enough to see a fly over by the Red Arrows. On the dot as always, the Arrows flew directly over the playground where the whole school was awaiting their visit.



HARVEST

There's still time to donate items to our harvest collection if you have not done so already. Thank you...



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Teaching Assistant Role

Grade D Point 3 = FTE £18,562.00
Minimum 21.25 hours per week/38 weeks per year – Permanent

We are looking for a new teaching assistant to join our school who:

- Has relevant experience and appropriate qualifications
- Can inspire and enthuse children in all aspects of their learning
- Is creative and innovative in their approach to learning
- Can develop strong partnerships with staff, governors, parents and the community.
 - Is a personable team player with a sense of humour
 - When required will cover for teacher absence/training
 - Is able to support children during their lunch break

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

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

To arrange a visit please/for further info contact: Carolynn Southcombe (School Administrator).

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

Closing date: 12:00 noon on Tuesday 12th October
(Interviews to take place on Friday 15th October)

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IN THE RECORD BOOKS

The children who entered last year's Royal Mail stamp design competition are now World Record holders. How cool is that!?

