

Welcome

A very warm welcome back to the final term of the year! It is quite strange writing this letter knowing that it will be my final one as Ash Class teacher. Although I am excited about the role I am moving on to, I also feel sad to be leaving the children and staff of Cottingham after almost 9 years. It has been an enormous pleasure to be part of the school community and I would like to thank you for all of your continued support over this past year and for some of you, over the many years, as I have taught older siblings.

This term promises to be full of fun finds as we delve into our new learning quest 'Toy Story'. The children will be invited to bring in a toy from home as we kick start our learning with a 'toy day'. Please select a toy that you are happy to bring to school. Before sending in the toy, please talk about the materials which the toy is made from, the age of the toy and its uses.

The coming term will be very busy so please check the recent 'Fridge Dates' parentmail to ensure that you are up to speed with relevant information.

Please ensure that all children have sun hats and suncream (which they can apply themselves) in school.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact using the email address:
c.wilson@cottingham.pdet.org.uk



Unnamed Uniform

Unfortunately we have a HUGE pile of unnamed uniform which grows daily in Key Stage 1. This is a problem not only in the fact that it takes up space but also in the fact that children do not have their belongings. **Please can we ask that all items are named** and that children are made aware that it is their responsibility to put clothing on their peg when taken off (please note that names written in biro pen will often wash off/fade)

Cottingham CofE Primary School

Class: Ash

Term: 6



Homework

As always, homework for the children in Ash Class will consist of **daily reading** with the addition of **spelling** and **maths** work which will continue to be set each week on MyMaths. Children may also choose to access TTRS. This is especially helpful for Year 2 children. Please take time to read little and often, enjoying books together. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any issues accessing any of the online homework.

Quest: Toy Story

This term we will be finding out about the history of toys. We will compare toys today with toys as far back as our Granparent's childhood. We will look at the uses of toys and the materials that they are made from. This will lead us to understand about events in history which lead to these changes.

PSHE—please note that as part of our 'Changing Me' PSHE unit, Ash Class will be learning specific names of body parts which is in line with the school RSHE policy

PE days



This term, PE for Ash Class will continue to take place on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**. Additional tennis lessons will also continue this term on **Fridays**. All children will need to come to school in their PE kit on these days. PE may take place outdoors, therefore we advise that all children have a **sun hat** in school as the weather(hopefully!) becomes warmer.



Collective Worship

This term we will be exploring the value of **Trust and Community** through our collective worship. Reverend Amanda will continue to lead worship for us every fortnight helping the strengthen our relationship with the local church.

Please note that there will be a special 'Graduation' from Key Stage 1 for our Year 2 children on **Wednesday 19th July at 2:30p.m** which you are warmly welcome to attend.

Homework ideas

Please see below a range of ideas for you to support the children with their learning quest work at home:

Find out about the toys that your parents and grandparents played with when they were the same age as you. Can you find some pictures of what the toys looked like? How are they the same/different to the toys you play with?

Sort your toys into groups. You can decide how you sort them, e.g. new and old or wheels and no wheels or which material they are made from.

Book recommendation of the term

Our book recommendation of the term is 'Flat Stanley' by Jeff Brown. Ash class particularly enjoyed the first book in the series which tells the story of how Stanley Lambchop became flat and the adventures it leads to. This is perfect for children making their first foray into chapter books.

