



Summer term 2 —Hawthorn Class News—2023/24

Welcome Back

Welcome back to term 6 of the year— our final term! I was so pleased with the conduct of all of the children last term. The year 6s were confident and focused during the run up to and actual sats week whilst the year 5s supported them really well and handled the changes brilliantly. I must say that the trip to see Aladdin was definitely a high for me and has got me in the mood for our show— I do hope that everyone is pleased with their parts and has been working hard on remembering the lines. Please do find the important dates at the end of the newsletter— you will need them! Any questions please do feel free to contact me on f.wason@cottingham.pdet.org.uk

Love 2 Read

Our class book this term is Beetle boy by MJ Leonard. This is a new one for me but I am very excited as I've read that it is a 'darkly hilarious adventure full of exotic beetles, daring schemes, and true friendship.' Thirteen-year-old Darkus Cuttle's search for his kidnapped father leads him to discover a mountain of extraordinary beetles, and pits him against the mad-scientist of the fashion world, Lucretia Cutter, an haute couture villainess with an alarming interest in insects. Sounds fun!



Expectations

As we are in the final term of the year now, I would like to focus on our expectations regarding respect. There is a lot of disruption in these final weeks and changes are in the forefront of the children's minds. I hope that we can respect each other by following the rules, being kind and thoughtful and realising that people have different reactions to different things. Then it will be a great term end.

Homework

As you are aware, there has been a change to the homework that is set. My Maths is no longer an expectation. Children will be set a certain amount of time that they have to spend **on garage** on **TTRS** (15 minutes) and this will be monitored. Children also have to complete the spellings challenge set on **Spelling shed**. In addition to this please practice the terms KIRFs with the children (available on line) and **daily reading** is vital.

Spellings

Spellings lists for year 5 and 6 are available on the Microsoft Teams site/website. Please ensure children are practicing every week. These will be tested in school on a Friday.



QUEST

Quest: Shoes

In this quest the children will be finding out about some of our local history. They will be exploring the shoe industry in Northamptonshire at various points and seeing development. It is great for the children to be able to find out about history that is close to them and maybe an industry that some of their ancestors may have worked in. They will then be able to use some of their design skills to create a design for their own shoes which they will use in printing.

PE days

This term, PE in Hawthorn will take place on a Wednesday and a Thursday. As always, children should come to school wearing their PE kits and a tracksuit on top if wished.



Collective Worship

Our value for the term in Collective Worship will be **trust and community**. Collective worship will take place this year on a Monday and a Wednesday, with our celebration worship taking place on a Friday as always. We would love to have parents come along so please do! We will also have class worship on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Details of our Collective Worship can be found at [Collective Worship - Cottingham Primary](#).



Homework ideas

Here are some non-compulsory homework ideas to share with the children at home based around our Quest of Shoes

- Try and create a picture of a shoe factory at different times throughout history
- Create a diary of someone working in a shoe factory at different points in history
- Create a list of different jobs that happened in shoe factories
- Research what are the most popular shoes today and in the past

Please send in any pics of projects that you have been working on— we'd love to see them!



A.O.B.

- 5th June— swimming commences for y5/ some y6
- 19th June— sports day (pm)
- 16th/17th July— Aladdin performance— morning and evening
- 18th July— drumming concert
- 18th July— disco
- 22nd July— year 6 party
- 23rd July— year 6 leavers church service (am)
- 23rd July— end of term