

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new year at Cottingham. I hope you have all had a lovely summer holidays! I am looking forward to getting to know my new class/year group and the challenges ahead! It will be lovely to see familiar faces since last seeing the children in Oak class and to see the progress they have and will continue to make, especially for the year 6's. We have a jammed pack year ahead with exciting things planned alongside the preparation for the year 6 SAT's. if you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to email me at e.hurn@cottingham.pdet.org.uk



Class: Hawthorn

Term: 1



Collective Worship

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 will also have class worship on ab Tuesday and a Thursday.

Our value for the term in Collective Worship will be **Kindness and Compassion**.

Homework

Homework expectations are that children **must** spend a **least** 15 minutes a week on TTRS practicing their timestable recall.

Children will also be set weekly spelling homework on the spelling shed website. This is set every Friday and to be completed by the following Thursday.

It is also important to make sure children are reading regularly at home. Please note, we will be checking to ensure that children are completing the homework as this is a valued addition to their education. Staff will be contacting parents if the homework expectations are not being met.



Homework ideas

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

Create a surviving the stone age survival pack or pamphlet
Build your own iron age hill fort with things that you find in the house

Try cooking some food that they would have had in the stone age or see if you can forage for food yourself!

Love 2 Read

This term our focus book will be used in our literacy and guided reading lessons in order to get a full understanding of the novel I Hawthorn class we will be reading Skellig by David Almond



Quest: What is the perfect farm in our local area?

In this quest the children will be finding out about farming. As a part of this they will be exploring the early history of farming as they look at the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age and how people at these different times got food and first developed personal and then traded farms. They will also explore plant growth in their science and art work before designing their own farm for the local area.

Expectations

This term we will be continuing to focus on implementing the schools expectations straight away and ensure children are following the rules throughout the school. We will be setting high standards of showing respect to everyone around the school.

In Oak class, the children will need to be provided with a snack for break time. Please ensure this is **only a healthy snack (fruit or veg)**.

PE

Year 6: Pe will take place on a Tuesday and Thursday,

Year 5: Pe will take place on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

Please make sure children have the correct pe kit, no jewelry is worn for PE lessons and all long hair is tied up.



AOB

Wednesday 11th September– Year 5/6 Judaism workshop

Thursday 19th September– individual photographs

Wednesday 23rd October– Hawthorn parent day

Friday 25th October– break for half term