

Welcome Back

Welcome back to term 2! I really enjoyed getting to know the class well in term 1 and I hope that all of the children now feel well settled in. It was great to get to meet so many of you at parent day but if you weren't able to attend please contact the school to arrange a different appointment. If you would like to speak to me about anything at all, please don't hesitate to get in contact. My email address is f.wason@cottingham.pdet.org.uk. Please also see the school fortnightly letter that is produced on Sway to see pictures of lots of the activities that we have been up to in class and some information about all that has been happening that fortnight.

Love 2 Read

The children have got so much from reading and writing about the Iron Man this term and we will be continuing to read and write about it this term. We are also reading The Boy at the Back of the Class. This is a great story told from the point of view of a boy in a school that has a new child starting who is a refugee. Please also be aware that we are encouraging the children to share their own recommendations for reading so please do allow them to bring in their books.

Expectations

The children have done really well with settling in to class last term, especially year 3s coping with the change from Key Stage 1. This term we will continue to focus on the expectations for moving around the classroom and listening, especially when others are speaking. Presentation, as always, is something that we will continue to work on.

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Homework

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. Please be aware that year 4s will have their national multiplication test at the end of this year and TTRS/ KIRFS will be vital for this.

Spellings

Spellings lists for year 3 and 4 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: Farms

In this second part of the quest, children will be learning all about the counties and regions of the UK. This will help children as we will be exploring land use before they go on to design a farm at the end of the quest. Children will be looking at how land use is very different now to what they found out about in the Stone, Bronze and Iron Age and also compare different counties and the features that they have.

PE days

This term, PE in Oak will take place on a Monday 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 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!

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



A.O.B.

- 5th November– children back in school
- 7th November– breakdancing workshop
- 11th November– pacesetter games
- 18th November– road safety week
- 26th November

 sports hall athletics
- 11th December

 year 4 racism workshop
- 12th December– Christmas jumper day
- 17th December– Christmas dinner
- 20th December

 break for Christmas holidays