

The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

Issue 12 – Week Ending 10th April 2020

**“Keep your mind on Jesus... then you won't get discouraged and give up”
(Hebrews 12:3)**



Dear parent/carer,

I wouldn't normally send out a Easter holiday edition of the Cottingham CofE fortnightly but these are not normal times! I thought it would be nice to share some messages from the teaching staff that I hope you read and show to the children. From conversations with all of the staff they are missing the children so much as I am too. I also wanted to share with you some of the super pictures that I have been sent that might have not made their way to Twitter. As you will see, lots of work, both inside and outside is taking place and it is a joy to see so many smiling faces. If you are like me, I have relaxed the home learning for my boys this week so that they can enjoy their Easter holidays. With the weather being fantastic, it made me stop and think about the small businesses that rely on holiday trade and how they might be suffering and in some cases struggling to continue. I am sure you will all join me in thinking about them. I am really hopeful that if we follow the very important Government guidelines, we will return to school before the end of the summer term. I really do hope that this is the case as it would be so nice to see everyone before breaking up for the summer.

With regards to work at home, on behalf of myself and the staff, than you for the support that you are giving to the children. You are helping them to keep their brains busy and their bodies active. We are really pleased to see that you have been using the resources/activities etc that have been sent home. Parents of Willow children have also been uploading pictures of children working which is helping Mrs Delo to keep an eye on them all. For the w/b 20th April, the staff and I have devised weekly planners that will provide more structure for home learning. The planners will include links to activities, work sheets and guidance etc. You will be able to plan your week accordingly to fit in the activities and I hope that this will help. Please keep an eye out on Parentmail for more information. We will also be sending home a summer collective worship planner with links to familiar hymns. As a church school, we ae keen that you take this time to say a prayer, take a thought and enjoy singing a hymn together. Again, this will be sent home next week in time for the w/b 20th April.

If you do not follow us on Twitter, I would urge that you do so. You will see some hilarious video content send in by our families that recently included a super 80's dance in the kitchen! We also had a 'Like' from Matt Lucas in recognition of his Potato song. Keep active over the weekend and hopefully take part in my own village Easter egg hunt! Read on for more information. (HC)

MANY EGGS CAN YOU FIND HIDING IN THE NEWS??!

Take care, stay safe, MISS YOU ALL, Mr Scott x

Safeguarding

It goes without saying that we ALL need to follow the Government guidance to stay at home where it is possible. Stay at home and keep the NHS safe. If we do this then we can all return to school sooner than later!

PTFA

Just before we closed the school, the PTFA were selling the super tea-towels. There will be many of you who missed out but worry not! Stick is available and tea-towels will be sold once again in the not too distant future!

Public Health England

Beat the Heat

Keep in touch

- Look after yourself, older people and the young
- Listen to the weather forecast and the news
- Plan ahead to avoid the heat

Keep well

- Drink plenty of water, cut back on alcohol & caffeinated drinks
- Dress appropriately for the weather
- Slow down when it is hot

Find somewhere cool

- Know how to keep your home cool
- Go indoors or outdoors, whichever feels cooler
- Don't get hot, avoid alcohol & sunbathing

Watch out

- Be on the lookout for signs of heat-related illness
- Cool your skin with water, wear a hat and drink water
- Stay safe when swimming
- Get help: Call NHS 111 or if it's an emergency 999

For more information go to www.nhs.uk/heatwave



Year 6 Residential 2020
Rock UK Frontier Centre

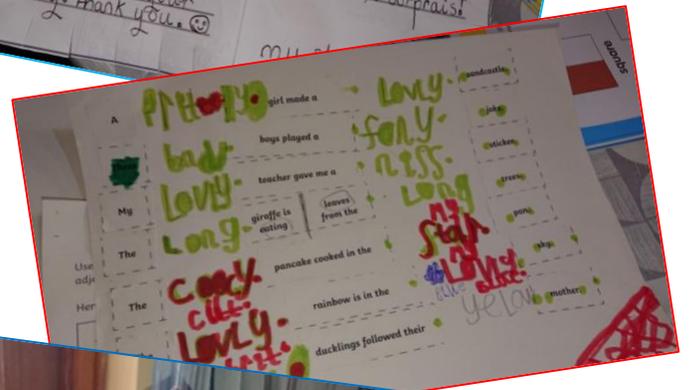
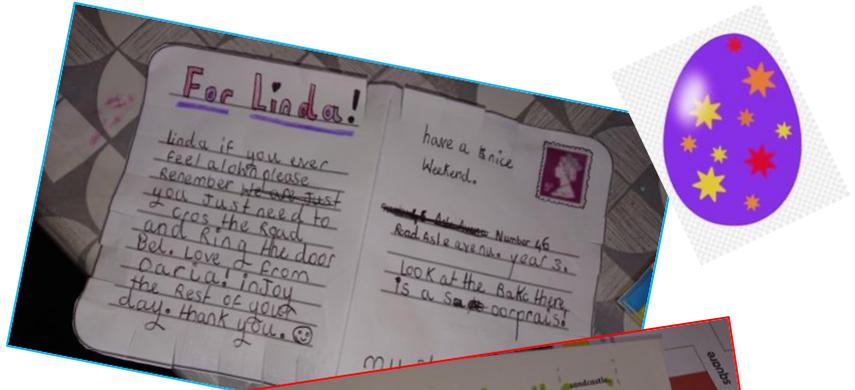


Attention Current Year 5.....

Your Year 6 residential has been booked for next year from Monday 23rd to Friday 27th November 2020.

On Thursday 23rd April @ 6.00pm there will be an information evening for all parents and Year 6 children to come along and meet a member of the Rock UK team

Look at some of this learning that Daria and Lucas have completed at home. The London 3D models look fantastic. Keep working hard and enjoying same quality family time too.



Beaumanor Hall Residentials 2021



Following the recent success of this year's residentials for Year 2 and Year 4 we have now booked for next year as follows:

Year 2 – Thursday 25th – Friday 26th February

Year 4 – Wednesday 5th – Friday 7th May

Dear All,

I hope that the last few days have not been too difficult for you all.

I wish you all - staff, pupils, parents and governors - a very Happy Easter and pray that you will find some time to recharge batteries and to enjoy once more the Easter message, reminding us that in all of this current pandemic the tomb is empty, Christ is risen and God wins.

You continue to be in my prayers.

Doug

Revd Douglas Spenceley
Bishop's Vicar for Church Schools in Peterborough Diocese
And Associate Priest, Emmanuel Group of Churches, Northampton



Dear Cottingham Family,

Sitting here in the kitchen with the sun streaming in, catching up on some school bits, it could easily seem like a normal school holiday. However as I look out of the window, I spot someone walking by and feel a strange sense of excitement at seeing another human!

We are getting on well here, however our days feel so busy still. I am tasked now with keeping up to date with all of the exciting things that my class are up to and setting new learning. I am also teaching three children in three different key stages and the general running of everyday life! I am looking forward to coming into school next week to support the children of key workers and doing something fun.

We are so very lucky that we have so much opportunity to connect in so many ways, I am missing you all though and can't wait to be back with my class again. In the meantime I will continue with this new way of working and making the most of extra time with my children and testing my teaching skills.

Take care and hope to see you all soon,

Mrs Delo



WILLOW CLASS LEARNING

I hope you are all keeping well. As you may already know, we are now using Tapestry as an online learning journal for all children in Willow Class. This is a tool which supports the assessment and progress in areas of learning. Often photographs and videos are the best evidence, allowing us to understand what is happening and how the children are learning. I have noticed that your account is not yet in use. Now more than ever, this tool is particularly useful in allowing me as, class teacher to respond to your child's progress and set next steps. I would like all parents and carers to send an email address for the registration of this account. You will then be able to upload photographs, text and video of anything that the children are doing at home. This could be fun activities, some super writing, reading aloud, completing work that has been set by myself or something that you are enjoying as a family. Please could you email an address for the set up of your account to ndelo@cottinghamprimary.co.uk

Kind Regards

Mrs Delo





From my first day at school I knew I had made the right choice applying to work at Cottingham. I am so thankful for all the staff, parents and children for all the support I have been given in my first year of teaching and what a rollercoaster of a first year it has been!

I would never have expected my NQT year to be going this way. Regardless of what is happening in our world I could not be more thankful to my first class. You have been amazing throughout. You should be very proud and think of all the good times and challenges we've faced and always came out smiling.

This time has made me reflect and I am grateful for all the things and decisions that put me on this path which lead me to leave derby and return to my hometown in order to be a part of the amazing team at Cottingham, who I can now call my second family.

I have been enjoying returning to my love of reading, baking, drawing and going on my daily walk throughout this time. I have enjoyed looking at all the pictures/videos of the home learning that has been taking place. Well done and keep it up! Parents you are doing an amazing job.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter and I can't wait to see you all again, hopefully sooner rather than later.

Keep safe and best wishes

Miss Hurn

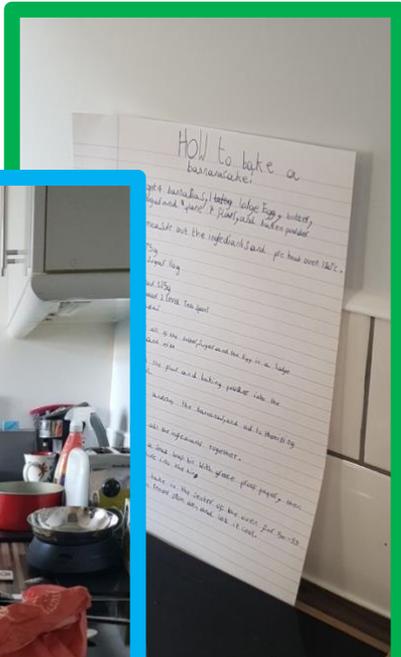
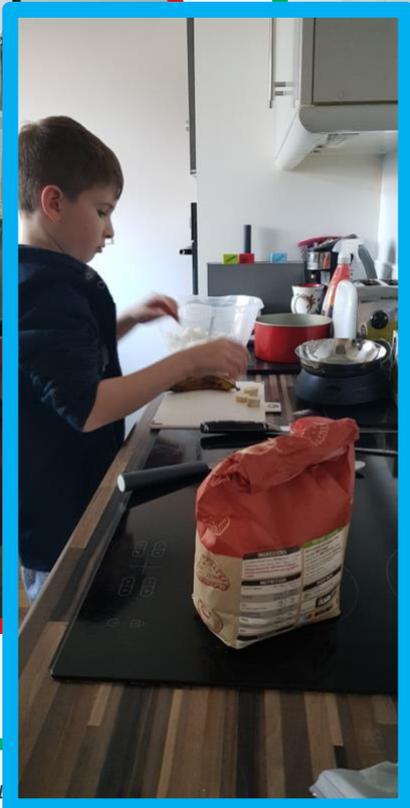


LOGAN LDN!

Someone looks super pleased with his LDN models made at home. They look super. Not too sure about the Spurs shirt!

Hi.

For over 10 years now, I have worked at Cottingham and from the very first day that I went into the school for my interview, I knew that it was a place that I was going to love working. What I have always loved so much about our school is the sense of community that it brings. I have seen so many changes over these years; different staff, parents and children; yet that sense of being a part of something really special has never changed and has only grown for me and I could not be prouder



CHEF GARTON
 Noah was busy writing instructions for and then making a delicious banana cake at home. Hope the final product was worth the wait!

Hello, I hope you are all well! I'm sure we'll all agree that the past few weeks, have been a strange and confusing time. However, despite the difficulties, I hope we are all finding joy in this special time with our loved ones.

I am enjoying being at home with my children and getting to do all of the





Eloise say's a huge hello and sends a big hug. She is missing you all so much! We have especially enjoyed our virtual trip to see the sights of London and practical maths (using measuring skills to make cakes, yum). Eloise has been channelling Mrs Southcombe with Wed Yoga and using her writing skills to write letters to her Great-grandparents

Eloise has also decided to become Vegetarian having watched the various farm/zoo live feeds - not so easy to maintain when your limited to shopping. For those on Oakley Vale, we are loving waving to everyone at Sandelwood Court on our walks.



I always knew that I loved our school family-the children, parents, carers and staff - but I never realised quite how much until it was taken away. Cottingham C of E holds such a big place in my heart so adjusting to the new circumstances has certainly been challenging at times. There were certainly lots of tears during the weekend I realised that I wouldn't be able to go to school anymore! My family has been my priority and as I write this, I am thankful that they are still safe and well.

I am grateful that the situation is allowing me time to just stop and take a breath. I am learning to find

LEARNING WITH PIE!

I know that we all have quite a bit to be getting on with while working from home but I just wanted to recommend that you tune in to a really fantastic resource called radioblogging.net (I keep banging on about it on Twitter because it is so good!)

It is a daily radio show from 9.30-10.30am which is basically a live Literacy lesson with Pie Corbett (of Talk for Writing). Every day he models loads of fantastic ideas for writing that we can use in our own teaching (when we finally get back to school!) You don't have to listen live but can listen back to shows later in the day/week

Children (and teachers) blog their own writing as the show is happening which gives lots of good examples of quality writing. It is stretching both me and my girls as writers!

Let me know what you think if you get a chance to listen. Send in a Tweet!

Take care and stay safe,

Mrs Wilson





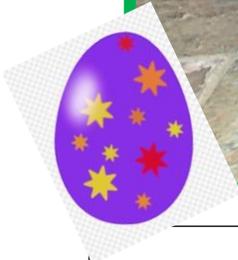
HODSON'S at HOME

Just a few pieces of Elias' creative work. Asher had a baking lesson and look at this lovely ginger cake he made. It is so delicious half of it was eaten quickly!! Luna's dragon's eye pebble painting is underway and looking amazing!



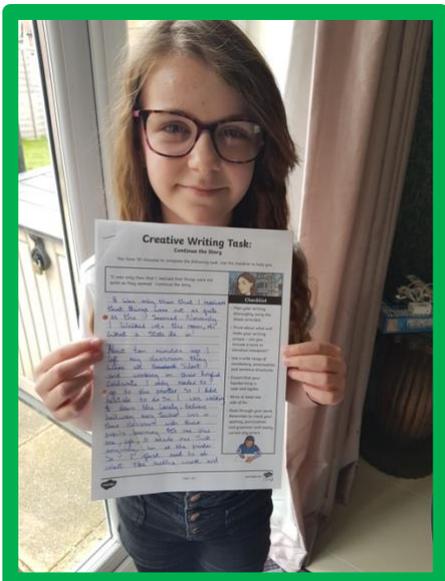
HADDON OUTDOOR TIME

Rose and Tommy have been busy at home. Those stones look a million dollars now that they have been cleaned. Looks like they are having fun in the sunshine also! Can't wait to see what happened to the stones next!

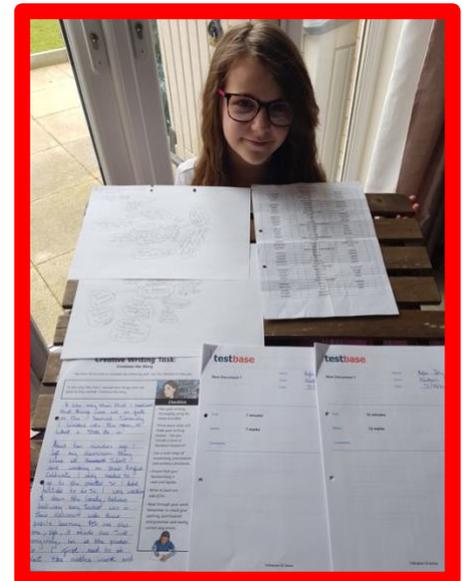


WILLIS WILL RECYCLE!

Ella and Isaac are having fun using cardboard boxes to make their very own model of....??? The Ponte Di Rialto bridge crossing the Canal Grande in Venice. Have you seen the water in Venice? Due to less pollution you can now see fish as it is so clear!



PEYTON PRODUCES
Peyton has been busy at home writing stories and keeping up on her maths work with some self-assessment.





HOPE CHURCH

Hope Church is a family of people made up of all ages, many nationalities and varied backgrounds. At our Sunday gatherings there are committed Christians, those who are new to faith and those who are just looking. If you're not already part of a church, why not give us a try...we'd love to see you. On Sundays, we meet from 10:30am at Brooke Weston Academy, Coomb Road, NN18 8LA. There are kids groups for all ages and refreshments are served afterwards. For more information, please check out hopechurchcorby.org or contact our office team by telephone on 01536 736577 or by email at admin@hopecorby.org.

The Family Life team in Hope Church work in partnership with professionals and families across the town to run courses for parents and couples, events for families and to provide support in all areas of family life. For more information about family life within Hope Church, please contact familylife@hopecorby.org.



OUR LOCAL CHURCH IN COTTINGHAM

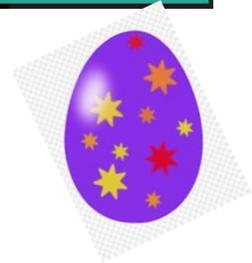
The parish Church of St Mary Magdalene dates from the 13th Century, although most of what we see now was built in the 15th Century.

The exterior is dominated by the particularly fine four stage tower and spire with twinned two-light belfry windows.

The interior has many interesting and unusual features making it worth a visit.

For more information visit

<https://cottinghamnews.co.uk/places/st-mary-magdalene-church/>



HORTON'S HOME TIME!

More goat kids have been born on the farm and William has been helping them socialise! We have also found lots of wildlife on the farm, our first Newt was found whilst digging in a new water pipe and William has been helping to build new bird



MR SCOTT'S EASTER EGG HUNT



**Around the village you will be able to hunt
for 7 coloured Easter eggs.**

**Find each one between Good Friday and
Easter Monday!**

*What is the colour? What is the message? What is the
secret number when you add the colours? What do
the colours make?*

Tweet your answers! Answers will be Tweeted on
Tuesday morning....

Happy hunting!