

The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

Issue 12 – Week Ending 1st May 2020

Being Still

“Be still and know that I am God”

Psalm 46 vs 10



Dear parent/carer,

Another couple of weeks have passed since I last wrote to you. Thank you so much to you all for buying into the method of home schooling that the staff and I have adopted during the lockdown and especially since the Easter break. As a parent myself, I would certainly have adapted well to more of a structured approach to help teaching my son at home. Thank you also to the teachers and other staff for their hard work, ensuring that the weekly planners are with you on time and that allow you to think about the week ahead. Being off for so long will obviously impact upon the progress of the children in various areas of the curriculum. Hopefully with our approach and your home schooling this can be minimised. What does remain a priority is that all of our well-being is catered for and that we look after ourselves. I would certainly recommend logging onto REAL PE and Charanga (Music) and joining in as a family.

I have really enjoyed seeing the many Tweets and emails showing children learning and smiling at home. In this edition of the news, I have tried to include examples of work from home that has been emailed to a class teacher. You will also see pictures of children receiving their awards. The joy that these awards have given certainly showed the importance of how a first class stamp can be used to raise moral. How often do we actually receive mail that shares good news?

You may have had the misfortune of hearing my daily handwashing Tweets that I have posted since the lockdown began. Last week I used the Justgiving site and in a few days raised over £200 towards Children In Need. If you haven't yet seen the Tweets please have a look/listen. Thank you to anyone that made a kind donation. Please also encourage your children to send in a washing hands Tweet of their own maybe.

It was lovely to see how well you received my recent Easter egg hunt challenge. Hopefully it gave families something different to do on your daily walk. It was lovely to receive a Tweet from an ex pupil of mine who had seen the egg hunt. She is now working in London within the NHS so I was very proud to hear this.

At the time of writing these notes, I am none the wiser as to what the near future holds. The school will continue to be open to vulnerable children and those of key workers until further notice. I am envisaging that this will continue into the May half term holiday and beyond. It was sad to think that yesterday, the year 6 children would've spent a day in London. That was obviously cancelled and will hopefully still happen in the future.

Take care, stay safe, MISS YOU ALL, stay in touch 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!

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

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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



YOUNG VOICES AT HOME

You might want to have a family sing song whilst in lockdown. If you do, why not visit the Young Voices at home website. Once there, you will be able to subscribe and download a number of tunes to perform at home. For some children it will bring back memories of visiting Birmingham way back in January.

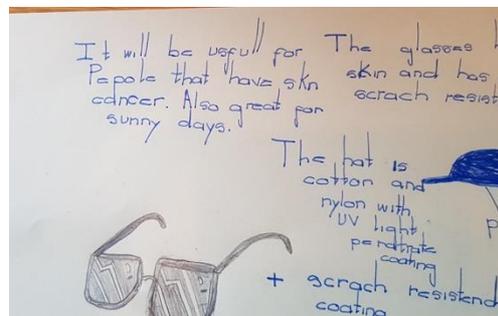
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLFTI8WEjeyzLq8NbSzUVFqWabGiEP3YuP>

DVD

If you ordered a Young Voices DVD but it has not arrived please email admin@cottinghamprimary.co.uk. They were posted a few weeks ago so have hopefully arrived now!

MR SCOTT'S EASTER EGG HUNT

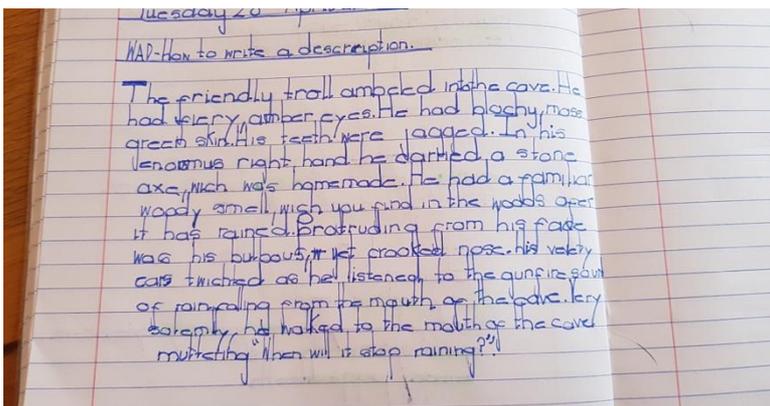
Thank you to those of you who took part in my very own village Easter egg hunt. The colour of each egg made the rainbow which was a tribute to the super NHS and also to our own rainbow prayers. I hope that it gave you something to look out for during your daily walk.



April 2020
Write a draft diary entry.

Dear diary,
Today my heart was broken into a thousand pieces. I am distraught. My darling Albert has passed away. Although I am dejected with sadness, at least I have good confident John Brown. I don't know what I would have done without him during this most harrowing of times. I cannot imagine life without my darling Albert by my side. Eventhough Albert has gone, I have asked the maids every day to place clean clothes on his bed. My most memorable trip with Albert was when we went to Brussels in Belgium. I recall we had the most exquisite meal there. I can't imagine ever having a meal like that again without my love. Add some more about what life will be like without Albert. Igu
Speak soon
Victoria

You have written in a formal tone and included some great facts. Well done! ^{memorable}



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The Team

You will already be aware that the teaching staff are just as busy as ever at this time. From their homes and whilst home schooling etc, they are working tirelessly to ensure that children and families are able to learn at home. They are putting together superb weekly planners that are giving the children access to all subject areas. They are answering your emails, providing feedback to children and staying in touch via Twitter for example. The staff and I are also busy preparing for September and completing various tasks linked to our return to school. On behalf of everyone, I would like to say a huge THANKYOU. As you know yourselves, home schooling is not easy whilst juggling the day to day job. Us teachers also find it tricky so you are not alone. Everyone is performing a sterling effort.



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The Team II

It is NOT only the teaching staff that are busy at home with school work. All staff have been busy researching various areas of the curriculum including Maths and Early Years provision for example. Resources are being prepared for September, key worker children are being looked after. The school budget is being managed and paper work being completed at the front desk! The school is being cleaned and cared for. Everyone, including you at home are ensuring Cottingham CofE keeps on going during these tough times. On behalf of everyone, THANKYOU!



MR SCOTT AWARD WINNER

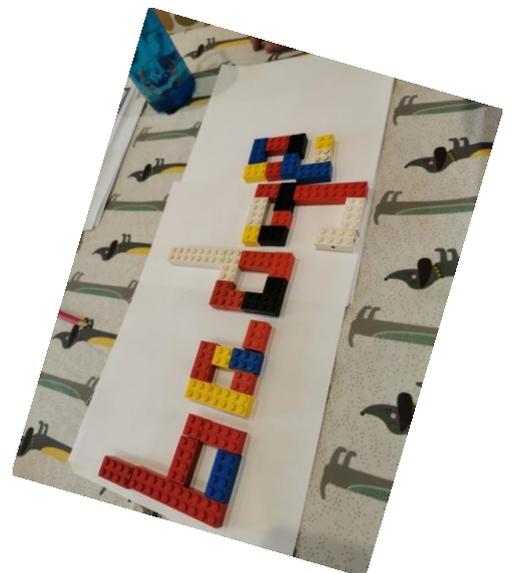
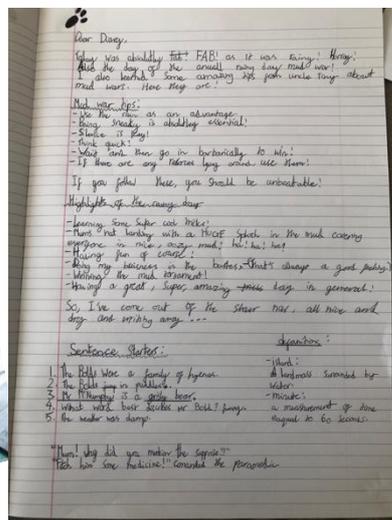
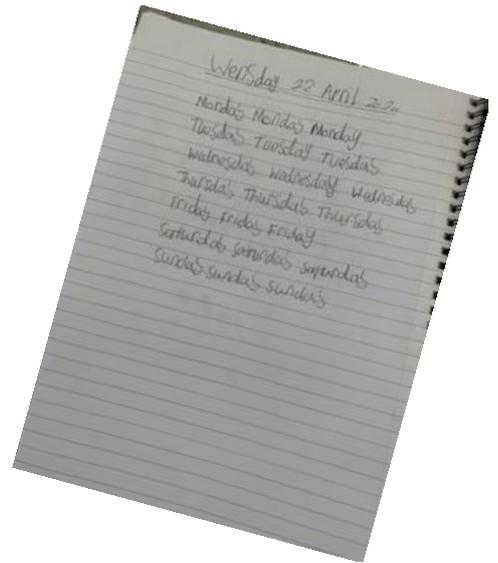
Of course, during the current situation, all children are worthy winners of my or any award. It was however, a pleasure to award one pupil for working hard at home, making use of old toys and smiling so much! Well done!

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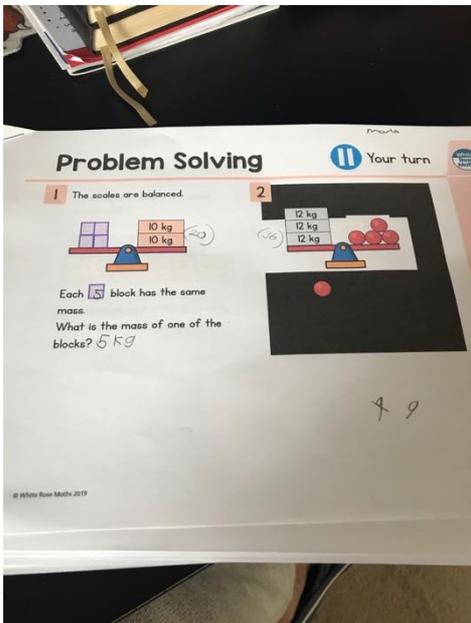
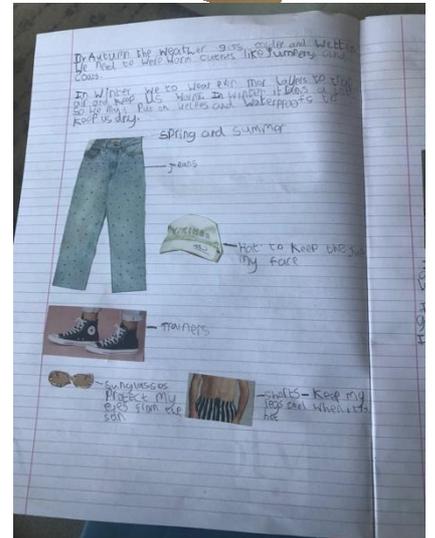
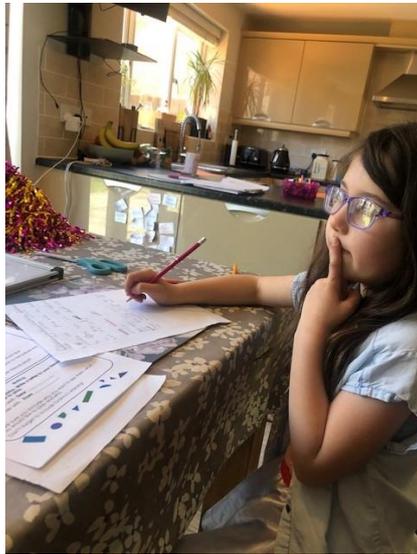
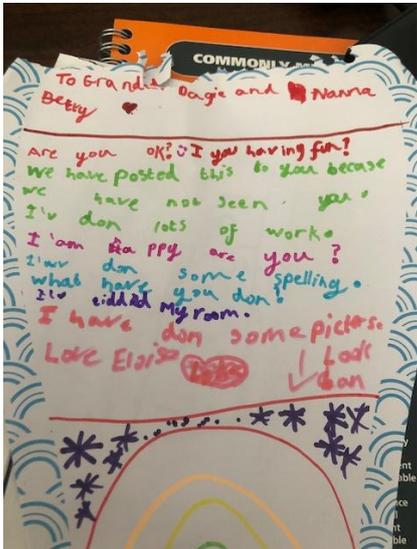


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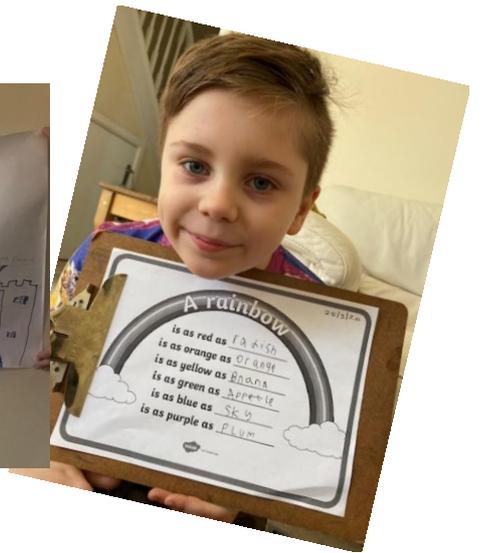
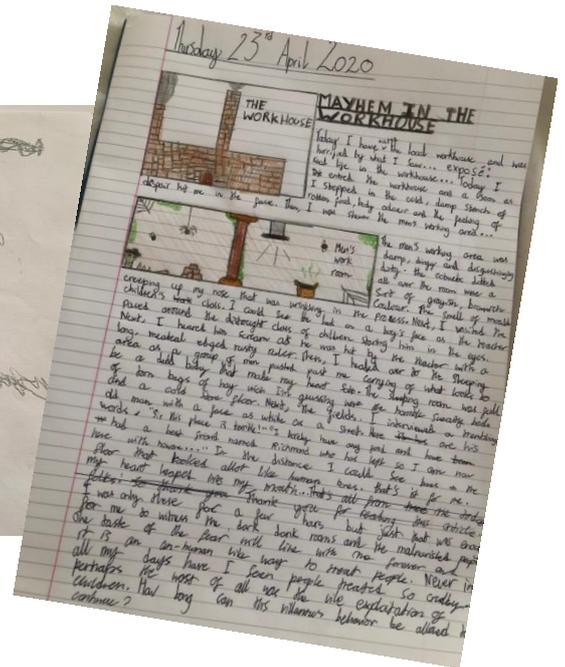
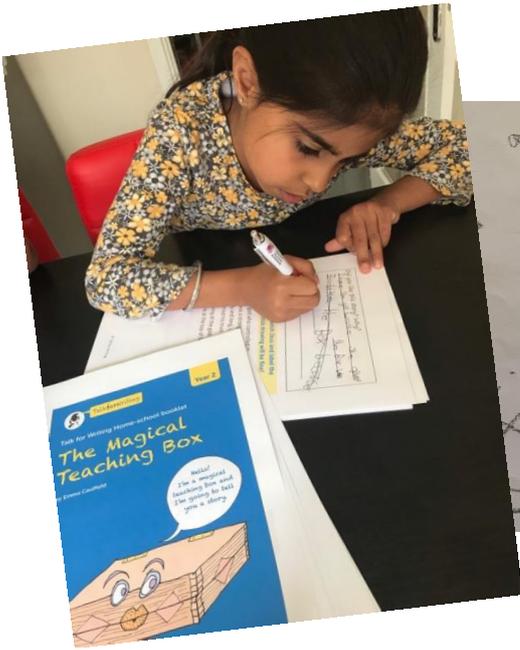
We couldn't have a Friday celebration worship. Instead, Royal Mail delivered awards last week. Here are some very pleased and excited recipients. Well done to everyone who has received an award in the post.



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Red – a thank you prayer
Blue – a sorry prayer
Yellow – a prayer for others
Orange – a prayer for our world
White – a prayer for myself



Our school prayer and the Lord's Prayer can be found at:

http://www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk/Page/ChristianValues_Prayers

Our school vision and mission statement can be found at:

http://www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk/Content/documents/ChristianValues/mission_and_vision_statement_.pdf

Our Christian Value of the term is **Perseverance**. The following Bible verse is linked to this value and would be normally be read at the beginning of every act of worship:

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



Academic year 2020 to 2021

| Term | Open to pupils on the morning of | Closed at the end of the afternoon on |
|--------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Term 1 | Wednesday 2 September 2020 | Friday 23 October 2020 |
| Term 2 | Monday 2 November 2020 | Friday 18 December 2020 |
| Term 3 | Tuesday 5 January 2021 | Friday 12 February 2021 |
| Term 4 | Monday 22 February 2021 | Friday 26 March 2021 |
| Term 5 | Monday 12 April 2021 | Friday 28 May 2021 |
| Term 6 | Monday 7 June 2021 | Tuesday 20 July 2021 |

Teacher training days 2020 to 2021

Proposed dates:

- Tuesday 1st September 2020
- Monday 4th January 2021
- Friday 23rd March 2021
- Monday 19th July 2021
- Tuesday 20th July 2021

Please note Teacher Training Days may be subject to change

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OUTDOOR PROVISION
NHS Tribute

PAINT YOU WELLIES!

We recently asked for your help with making things for Willow outdoor area. Thank you for your responses and offers of help. We will be in touch! In the meantime, please send in pics of your WELLIE designs to ndelo@cottinghamprimary.co.uk or head@cottinghamprimary.co.uk

Our welly planters can be a lasting tribute to the NHS. Include the NHS logo/rainbow etc.

Your painted design needs to be colourful. Use paints that will last outdoors. You can include your name.

WELLIES DESIGNS WANTED!!!



OUTDOOR PROVISION

CAN YOU HELP?

Look at some of these super outdoor resources that Mrs Delo has added to our wish list for September. With a restricted budget, we are asking for your help. Can you donate any of the things in these pictures? Could you help us build/prepare once lockdown is over. Any offers very welcome... Please email ndelo@cottinghamprimary.co.uk or head@cottinghamprimary.co.uk and we will be in touch...

WANTED!!!