

# The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

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**‘Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.’ Isaiah 7:14**

Dear Parent/carer,

Any time that the Government announce any new Covid-19 related rules and guidance it makes me think ‘here we go again.’ I am sure that many of you feel that way also. Having received the latest trust/government advice with regards to a new variant, Headteacher’s across the trust have been in email communication with regards to Christmas events, parental engagement and visitors to school. My advice to my colleagues is to make a decision based on the health and safety of the children, staff, parents and themselves. Of course, not everybody will like or agree with every decision but that happens. I am very comfortable making decisions such as those being discussed. My main reason for my comfort is knowing that I have your backing and support. During the last few year, not once have you complained to me or challenged me. I am very grateful for your support and couldn’t ask for a more supporting, caring and friendly group of parents/carers. I always ensure that I convey that message to other Headteachers and to the Trust also. It is never something that I take for granted.

I have just this minute sent home a Parentmail inviting you all to two festive events. Events such as the Carols by Candlelight and Christingle are ones that we can and should all be looking forward to. Please do support these events in any way that you can. Maybe you could buy a raffle ticket, join in with our carols, help your child learn their lyrics at home or but from the PTFA refreshments stall. Whatever support you can give it will be appreciated. Behind the scenes, our super PTFA are working hard to provide a lovely festive time for the children. I really do hope that we can see you all in the next few weeks.

On a sporting note, you might be aware that we have put some new silverware into our trophy cabinet. The children have enjoyed recent success in hockey and cross country. Not only have the children been rewarded with silverware they have perhaps been able to participate in a sport that they have not done so before. I look forward to many more events during the spring term. As always, we will aim to ensure participation by as many children as possible.

Our school hall is now looking very festive and we will soon be welcoming Santa when he jets in (hopefully not having to quarantine) to have lunch with the children. We have missed his visit! This week we were given an amazing tree that is so tall it almost touches the school hall roof. The children have responded with some ooohs and arrrrsss which is super. I hope your own decorations are out of the attic and being dusted down also!

Have a lovely week/week end.

Mr Scott



## **SAFEGUARDING**

### **Medication in School**

All **prescribed** medication must be in the original named container as dispensed by the pharmacy. **(Please note if medication is NOT prescribed, the medication container must have the child’s name on it)**

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

**We would ask that children only bring in a class Christmas card this year. If they would like to send a class card, they can address it to the class teacher/class name. The cards will be read out and a mini display made...This will save you money, help save the trees, minimize recycling and is also Covid-19 friendly. If children would still like to send individual cards then we ask this is done out of school upon pick up...**

## **Residential Trips 2022**



### **Beaumanor Hall**

Payment link is now available for The Year 2 Residential to Beaumanor in February. Please do join us for a Zoom Information Evening:

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 6:15pm start:**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88115839870?pwd=S1dSMTRJQXo1OSs2RDFwVTRqbUdsQT09>**

**Meeting ID: 881 1583 9870**

**Passcode: 5FhcB5**

**Year 4 will be visiting from 18<sup>th</sup> May for 2 nights!**

These are two events that the staff and children look out for on the school calendar each year. Both residential events give the children an insight to what is involved so that they are then comfortable attending the Year 6 residential to Rock UK.

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## Magnificent Mind Team

I was so proud of the MMT during Ant-Bullying week last week – we started the week on Monday with ‘Odd Sock Day’. The theme of the week was ‘One Kind Word’ – it was lovely to hear the MMT share their inspirational quotes during assembly and to tell other children how important it is that one kind word leads to another. I was amazed at the entries for the Anti-Bullying Poster Competition – these will be displayed around the school. Well done to our winners Harrison, Georgie & Stevie.

The MMT now have HI VIS Vests – they can wear these with pride and will stand out on the playground for sure!!! On Friday Corby Safer Team were in school to deliver Anti-Bullying Assemblies – getting the very important message across to all. Remember every week is Anti-Bullying Week in school – **One Kind Word**.....is all it takes and can make a huge difference to someone’s day.

Mrs Southcombe X



Please see below from Rachel & Georgie

*This week in Magnificent Minds we have been talking about anti-bullying week and odd sock day. We are very grateful to be able to wear yellow-vis jackets and we are looking forward to a assembly, with Mrs Southcombe next week. My friend and I have come up with some ideas on how to deal with mental health, we have come up with going for a walk, music and coloring, We thought this these ideas are fun and calming. Obviously there are other ways you can deal with mental health but we have chosen some easy ones we hope you try out.*

HEALTHY BODY - HEALTHY MIND 

STAY HEALTHY 

HAVE FUN 



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## HOPE FOR FAMILIES

Welcome to Hope for Families - a not-for-profit organisation based in Corby. We want every family to know there is hope for them and we are passionate about building strong family relationships through three main streams - parent support, couple support and faith in the family. We are a Christian organisation, passionate about working with all families, wherever they are on their journey of faith. Our new website - <https://hopeforfamilies.org.uk> - has just launched and it's full of information on the support we offer, upcoming events and a little bit about our story. You can also follow us on social media @hopeforfamiliesuk. We would love to support you and your family in whatever way we can so please do

### TIME OUT FOR PARENTS - CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

This 7 session course gives an opportunity for parents and carers of 3-11 year olds with a disability or additional needs to share and support one another. Each session focuses on helping you to meet your child's needs.

**Date and time:** Tuesday evenings 7:00-9:00pm, 12th October - 30th November (with a break for half term)

**Cost:** £17.50 per household including accompanying parent handbook (RRP. £9.99), additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

**Book here:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/162286235499>

### LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES

This 2 hour session is designed to help parents and carers to safely navigate the online world with their children. This session is mainly aimed at parents of primary aged children.

**Date and time:** Monday 26th October, 7:00-9:00pm

**Cost:** £7.50 per household including session notes, additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

**Book here:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/171109131017>

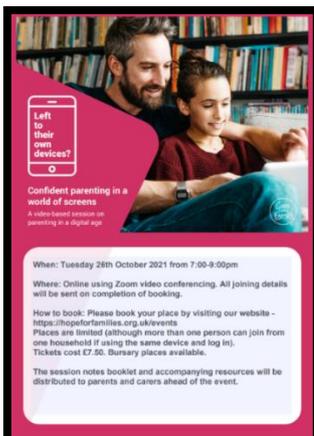
### HANDLING ANGER IN THE FAMILY (MORNING)

This 4 session course focuses on how you and your child can understand and manage anger in a safe and healthy way.

**Date and time:** Wednesday mornings 9:30-11:30am, 17th November - 8th December

**Cost:** £10 per household including accompanying parent handbook (RRP. £9.99), additional resources and goodies. Bursary places are available for parents who qualify (providing a 50% discount on registration).

**Book here:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/163342853873>



**Left to their own devices?**

Confident parenting in a world of screens

A notes booklet and accompanying resources will be sent on completion of booking.

**When:** Tuesday 28th October 2021 from 7:00-9:00pm

**Where:** Online using Zoom video conferencing. All joining details will be sent on completion of booking.

**How to book:** Please book your place by visiting our website - <https://hopeforfamilies.org.uk/events>

Places are limited (although more than one person can join from one household if using the same device and log in).

Tickets cost £7.50. Bursary places available.

The session notes booklet and accompanying resources will be distributed to parents and carers ahead of the event.



**Time Out For Parents**

Children with Special Needs

Sessions for anyone parenting children with special needs aged 3 to 11

Dates  
Every Tuesday, 7:00pm - 9:00pm  
12th October - 30th November

This course will be run online via Zoom

Book your place online  
Visit [hopeforfamilies.org.uk](https://hopeforfamilies.org.uk)

For more information contact  
Hope for Families on 07784 333825 or email [hello@hopeforfamilies.org.uk](mailto:hello@hopeforfamilies.org.uk)

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## Sports Update

We have had a terrific week of sport at Cottingham C of E this week! On Monday our year 3 and 4's entered a hockey tournament hosted by pacesetters in Northampton, we had two teams enter the tournament.

Incredibly both teams made the final with our two teams finishing 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place!



To add to this amazing success we had a group of children head over to the COTSSP cross country finals event. We had four children finish in the top 20 meaning for their age group meaning that they have now qualified for the county finals!



Next week is the turn of our year 5 hockey team who are looking to emulate the success of the year 3 and 4's last week!

We are currently confirming all sporting events for next year, hopefully by our final sports update of the term we will be able to update you on sporting fixtures for the rest of the year.



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## Academic Year 2021 to 2022

Please note – school will re-open to pupils for Term 1 on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 1	Wednesday 1 September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Term 2	Monday 1 November 2021	Friday 17 December 2021
Term 3	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 11 February 2022
Term 4	Monday 21 February 2022	Friday 1 April 2022
Term 5	Tuesday 19 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
Term 6	Monday 6 June 2022	<u>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022</u>

### Remaining INSET Days 2021 to 2022

(Please note these could be subject to change. Sufficient notice will be given if possible)

**Tuesday 04/01/2022**

**Monday 21/02/2022**

## Academic Year 2022 to 2023

The consultation on term dates for the 2022 to 2023 school year is now closed

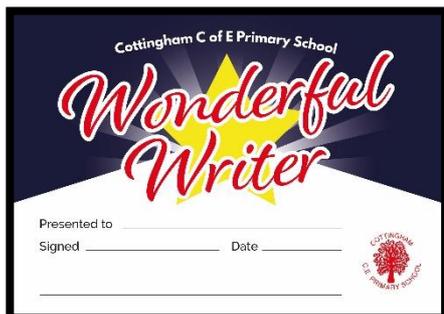
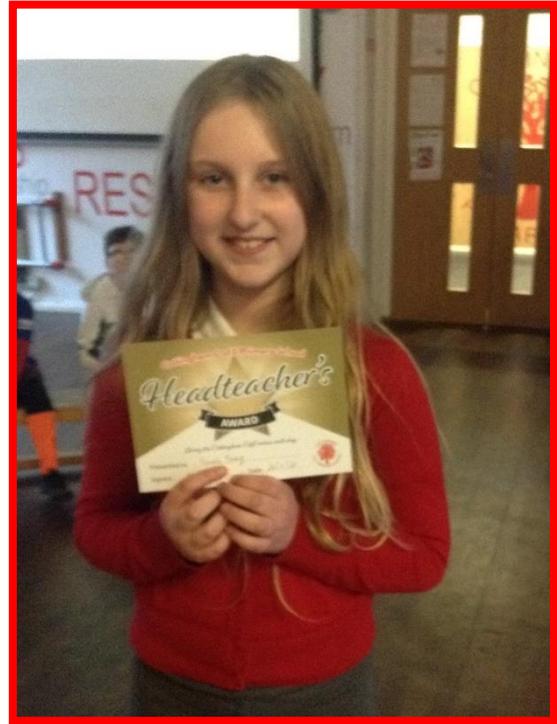
The term dates for the 2022 to 2023 academic year have now been confirmed.

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 1	Thursday 1 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 October 2022	Friday 16 December 2022
Term 3	Tuesday 3 January 2023	Friday 10 February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023

### INSET Days 2022 to 2023

- **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022**
- **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**
- **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023**
- **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

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## Young Voices Choir



*We are delighted to continue our choir practise each Monday @ 12.05pm.*

*Please encourage your child to enter the Young Voices Music Room to practise the songs and dance moves. This should be done on a regular basis this term as we lead up to the YV concert...*

This can be accessed through Google and password is YV2021

Happy singing :)x



## Deck the Tree!!!

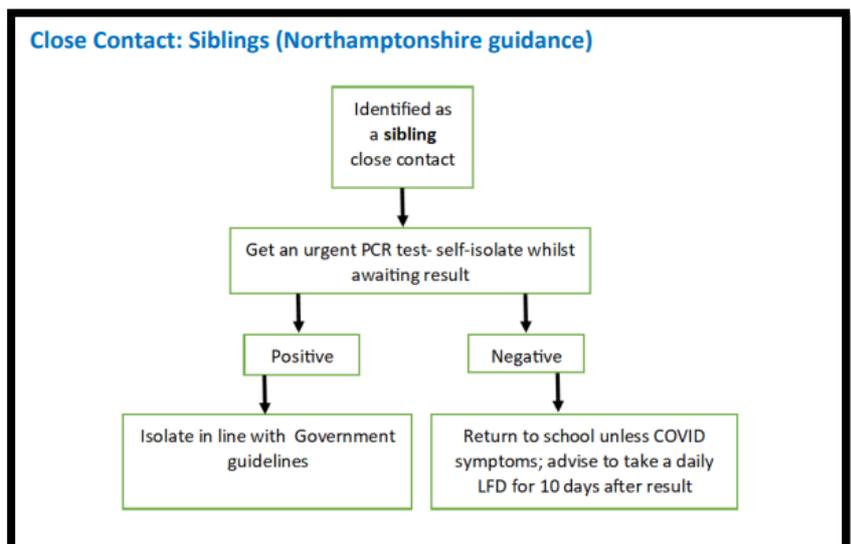
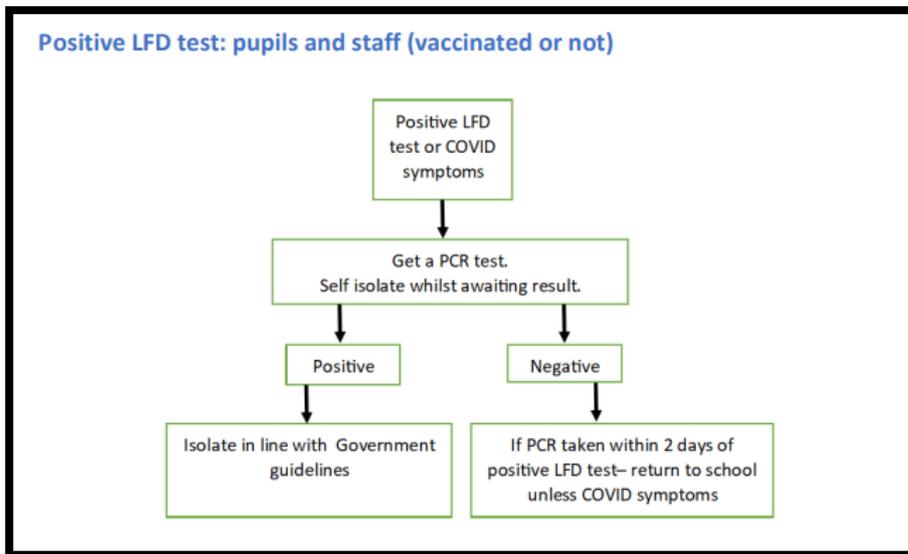
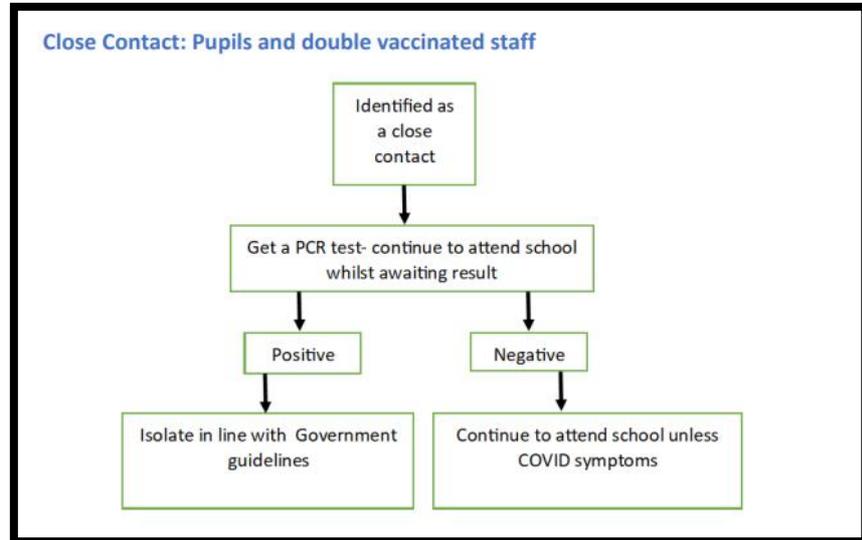
From Monday, the children can bring in their home-made Christmas decorations. Look at some of these that were made a few years ago! Can you incorporate our CARE-BUILD-FOLLOW-THINK mission statement? Please name any decorations if wanted to take home at the end of term.



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## COVID TESTING GUIDE

Please see below a useful guide that has been put together by PHE and local councils. As always, please do contact the school office if you would like a second opinion for example. We would also encourage you to use the chart to assist any decisions that you may have to make.

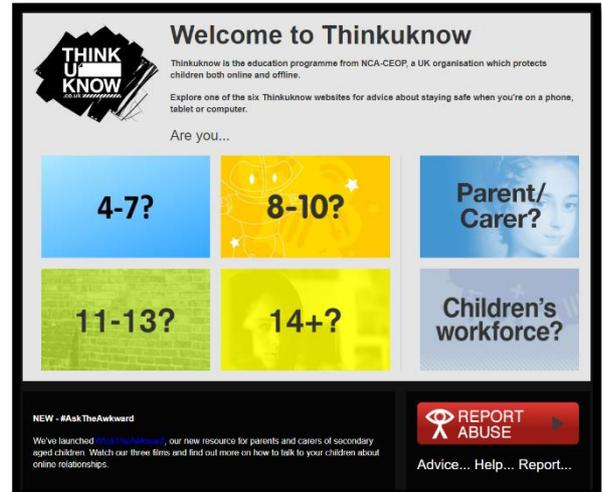
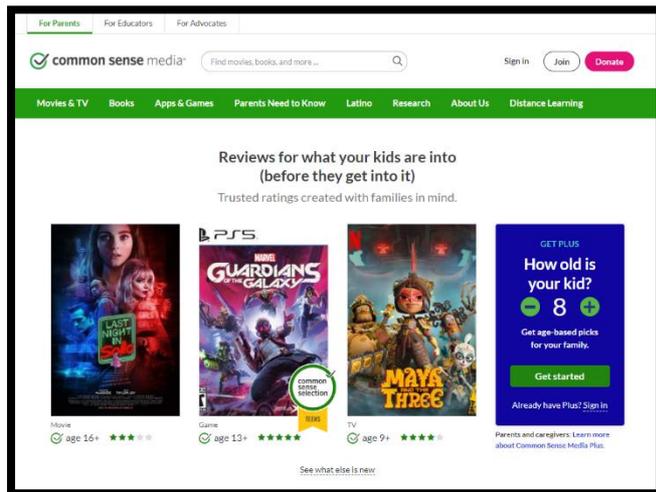


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## SAFE ONLINE?

Thinkuknow is a CEOP website that has lots of advice to help young people keep safe online and what to do if they are worried about something that has happened online that has worried or upset them. You can access Thinkuknow by clicking here: [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) there is also a parent and carer section that offers advice and information.

Another useful website to use is: [www.common sense media.org](http://www.common sense media.org)



## Recycle Your Ink Cartridges

Please drop off any used Cartridges in box located in the school office. Thank you



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## Christmas at Cottingham



- School Panto – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December
- Christmas Jumper Swop – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December
- Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December
- Carols by Candlelight – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December
- Christmas Dinner – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December
- School Discos – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December

### Grange Farm Christmas Barn

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(Between Thorpe Langton & Welham)



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and a barn full of

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## Worship

All classes have now successfully led a whole school worship. More recently it was the turn of Oak and Beech. These pictures give you a snippet of how well they all did. We hope that each class will lead a worship in the future that parents are invited to

## The Messiah

During a recent RE lesson, the children had the task of representing how they saw the Messiah. The art work below was produced by Hawthorn class. As you can see, all interpretations are very clear and expressive.



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**Bruce  
Lee**

*Actor, Martial Artist and Philosopher. He inspired many people around the world not just with his acting and incredible martial arts moves, but also his philosophical thoughts.*

*“Mistakes are always forgivable if you have the courage to admit them.”*



## SIGNIFICANT PEOPLE

Throughout the year, the children are introduced to a variety of significant people who we believe have left an impression upon us or shaped who we are today or how we live our lives. The children are introduced to the person and they have the opportunity to find out more. Martin Luther King, Da Vinci and Mandela are just a few of the people we have chosen. This term, the children were introduced to Bruce Lee and Emmeline Pankhurst. Maybe you could help your child to research these people at home.



**Emmeline  
Pankhurst**

*A leading campaigner for women's suffrage– the right to vote.*

*“Deeds not words.”*



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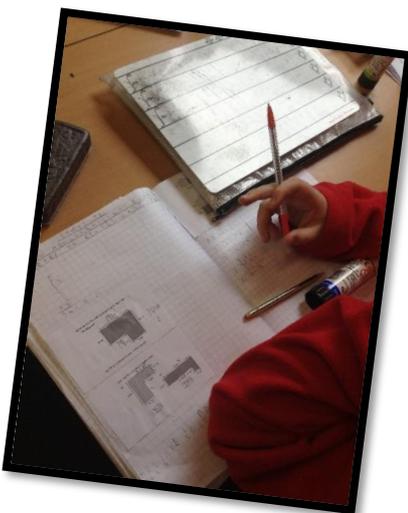
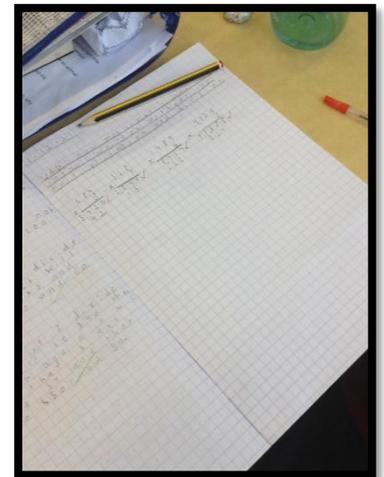
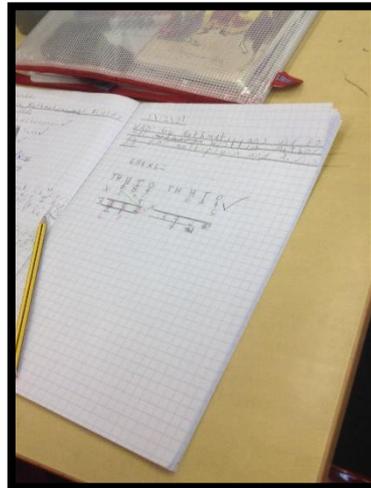
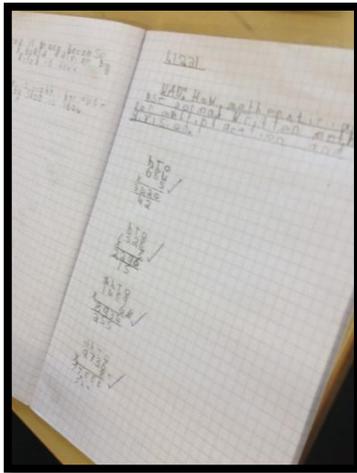
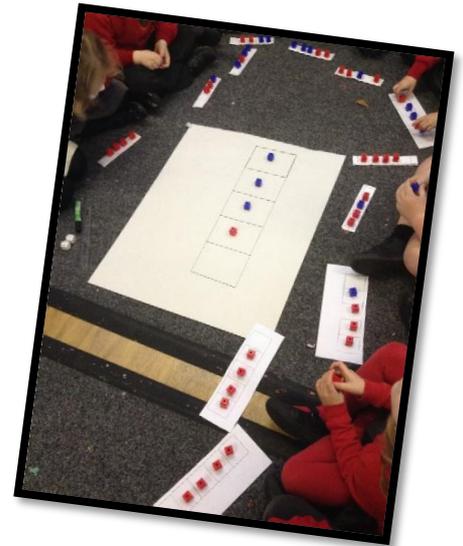
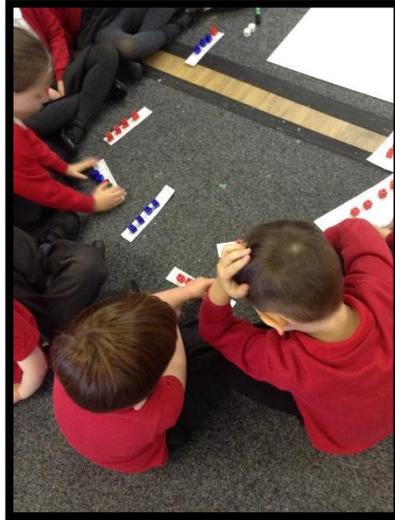
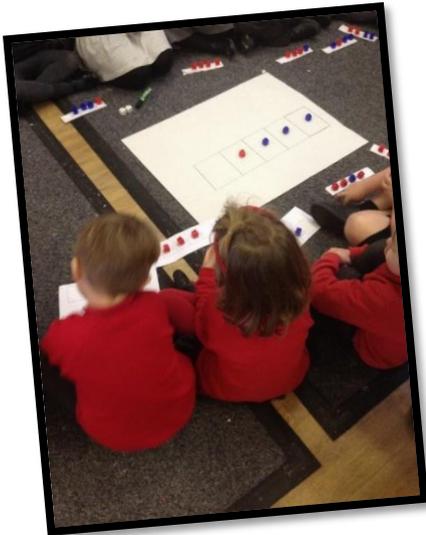


## Flat Pack

When Mr Scott needs a guitar rack building, he does not need to look any further than our resident flat pack furniture builders! They were efficient, cheap and worked so well together.



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**MATHS PROGRESS**

These images capture superbly the progression in maths teaching and learning at our school. You can clearly see the different approaches to teaching maths from EYFS through to year 5. What is not clear from the images is the vocabulary and the reasoning being used. Long gone are the days of completing ten sums from page 1 of Ginn maths!

