

The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

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‘Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.’ Proverbs 3: 5-6



Dear Parent/Carer,

This edition of the News is sent to you slightly later than planned. We have been back just a week after half time and each minute, hour and day seemed to fly past without the time to complete several tasks. I would like to start by thanking the offers of help with regards to our Willow kitchen project. We now have support on offer for plumbing and electrical work. I am still on a mission to secure help with the taking down and erecting of a new kitchen so please do let me know if you have the necessary skills to help. Also, I would love to find a sponsor for the project that will allow funds set aside to be spent elsewhere. Please do pass that onto anyone that you might know who could possibly be interested. I am sure I will have more Willow kitchen news to share soon.

I would also like to thank the PTFA and group of parent helpers who have helped to transform, not only the Willow Garden, but also the Forest and allotment areas. These areas are situated at the bottom end of the school playground and will once again prove to be a super learning resource. Both areas have now been prepared so that further work can be carried out to them. For example, the allotment area, that had become over-grown has now had all weeds and plants removed and is ready to have some new planters built. From Sep, children will then be able to plant and grow vegetables etc. The Forest area has also had a tidy and is ready to have new resources/zones added. Again, from September, we will be working with a local Forest School leader to not only teach the children but also work with staff. By the end of the year, we will have our own member of staff who will be trained as a Level 3 Forest School lead. All of this would not be possible without the PTFA and you the parents.

The last few weeks have seen the year 1, 2 and 6 children complete various national assessments. This recently included the year 1 phonics check. All results will be reported within end of year reports. I can report that the staff and children worked very hard during these assessments and were certainly well prepared. Next up will be the turn of the year 4 children who will take part in the first National Multiplication Checks. It does not finish there as our year 2 and 6 written work will be externally moderated. Mrs Wilson and Mrs Wason will welcome assessors, who are current teachers within the local authority, to moderate their assessments and judgements of the children's work. I am sure you will join me in wishing them good luck.

Last week, I was able to lead a visit to London for our year 6 children to watch the amazing performance of the Lion King at the wonderful Lyceum Theatre. We had a terrific time, and the children were able to study roles that they too will be playing at the end of the year.

Have a lovely week, Mr Scott

SAFEGUARDING

We have recently been notified of some online concerns that have occurred out of school and at home. In all cases, It was pleasing that parents felt that they could notify the school. It is always worth reminding you that safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone. The concerns once again allowed parents to assess whether their children were safe online and which APPS etc they were accessing. Please ensure you know what your child is doing online! If you don't then FIND OUT! It is important that we communicate with our children and understand the many APPS that they access today.

Beaumanor Hall



Following the huge successes of this year's visits - Year 2 and Year 4 visits have now been booked for 2023.

Thursday 23rd/Friday 24th February 2023 – Year 2

Monday 12th/Wednesday 14th June 2023 – Year 4

Year 6 will be going to Rock UK on Monday 7th November – Friday 11th November 2022.

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Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

On Monday 23rd May – we were delighted to host a Jubilee afternoon tea for veterans and people in our local community. The afternoon was a huge success – and a lovely way to follow our school values. Thank you to the Welland Valley Choir for their outstanding performance, the Magnificent Mind Team for their hard work in serving our guests, the school choir for their amazing performance, a huge thank you to Morrison's for supplying the cakes and last but by no means least a 'HUGE' thank you to the parents who came in to help make up sandwiches, serve teas, decorate the hall and generally, just being amazing!!!!



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Academic Year 2021 to 2022

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 6	Monday 6 June 2022	Thursday 21 st July 2022

Academic Year 2022 to 2023

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 1st and Friday 2nd September 2022
- Monday 31st October 2022
- Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- Friday 31st March 2023



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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 get in touch!

Love2Lunch is back.....

Fish'n'Chip Friday



We are delighted that Love2Lunch is coming back.

On Friday 24th June – Children from KS2 can invite 1 guest to join them for lunch.

Mrs Southcombe will be in contact to collect food orders/money.

In this instance we can accept cash in school (correct amount) in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with your child's name and Love2Lunch



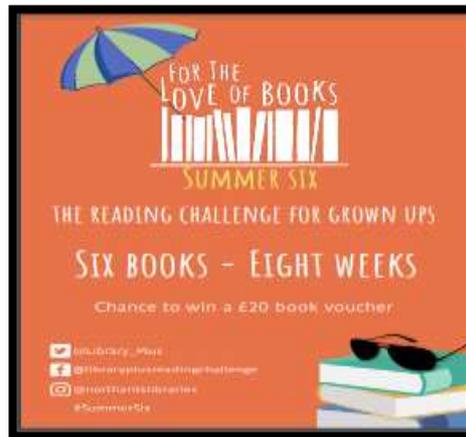
TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS

Each week, Mrs Wason updates the children on the top scorers from the Times Table Rock Stars challenge. This young mathematician was once again on top spot and helped his own Beech class to the summit of the leader board. It is expected that ALL children complete their My Maths homework and take part in the Rock Stars. The more effort they give at home to their times tables, the more it helps with their own maths in school. If you need help with log in details do ask your child's class teacher. It would be great if we saw some new faces in the top three.

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Summer Reading Challenge Launch

On Wednesday 6th July –a representative from **LibraryPlus** will be in school to promote the Summer Reading Challenge for Children. Information will be sent home about how your child can be involved this year.



Summer Six is the reading challenge for grown-ups. We really want to encourage parents and carers to be reading role models for their children so we decided to challenge them to read 6 books over the summer too. If they would like to challenge themselves further they can choose to read books from 6 different categories which we will reveal in libraries and on our [Facebook page](#) throughout the summer.

To join the challenge, adults need to ask in their local **LibraryPlus** library and they will be given a reading log to record the books they read. When they have completed the challenge they can hand that book log back in at the library and be entered into a prize draw to win a £20 book voucher from bookshop.org. When children join the Summer Reading Challenge libraries we will be asking parents/carers if they would like to join Summer Six.



NORTHAMPTON TOWN FC

This team of Year 6 footballers recently had the opportunity to play football on the actual Northampton Town FC pitch. Sixfields was the venue for a recent tournament that saw the team reach the quarter finals without conceding a goal. They also beat their local rivals Brighthurst 2-0! They finally lost to the eventual winners so no shame in that. It was a very enjoyable event that we can take part in again soon hopefully.

Sports Update

Below is a list of events taking place this term:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Location</u>
7/6/22	Quadkids Athletics	Year 3/4	Corby Athletics Club
7/6/22	Quadkids Athletics	Year 5/6	Corby Athletics Club
22/6/22	High 5s Netball	Year 5/6	Brooke Weston
	Tri Golf	Year 3/4	
4/7/22	Cricket Tournament	Year 3/4	Kings Park Sports
11/7/22	Cricket Tournament	Year 5/6	Kings Park Sports
	Girls Cricket	Year 5/6	

Well done to our Key stage two footballers who visited sixfields stadium this week for a football tournament. The team reached the quarter final stage of the tournament after four wins in the group stage and also produced a fantastic 2-0 victory over local rivals Bringhurst, well done to all the boys and girls who attended.

We have a very busy term approaching with children being invited to various competitions, children who have been invited to Athletics need to make sure slips are brought back as soon as possible with the event taking place on Tuesday 6th of June.

We are always looking to celebrate success of children outside of school, if you would like to be our sports star of the week email tstafford@cottinghamprimary.co.uk with a write up and photo of the sporting achievement.

