

# The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

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‘Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead.’ Philippians 3:13



Dear Parent/Carer,

This is a delayed version of the newsletter. The end of term ran away from me so apologies for the lateness. I hope that you enjoy looking back at some of the recent award winners. Please do share with the children. I am hoping to make use of Microsoft Sway next year to provide an updated, modern, digital version of the news. Watch this space!

The end of term was amazing and really did show what our wonderful school is all about. We enjoyed KS1/KS2 Disco's, Y2/Y6 graduations, KS2 performances, guitar/drums concerts, end of term assessments, PDET Going for Gold, Y6 Leavers festival, KS1 tennis event, KS1/KS2 sports days, Church service and a massive fundraiser. I have no doubt forgotten something. To think all of these events happened in the space of just a few weeks is credit to the staff, pupils, parents/carers and Governors/Trust who support one another each and every day.

The feedback from everyone who watched the Lion King was very positive. If you did not attend then you missed out on children doing what they do best – performing. Almost 85 children took part in the four performances and WOW. The singing, dancing and acting was second to none and worthy of a proper performance society. I said that it was a shame that we didn't have the show filmed although I do stand by the thought that it has created memories that will stay in our heads. A recording on a DVD could not match these nor out survive these memories. I have looked through all of the pictures taken by Nicola, our professional photographer. They are so good. If you have not looked not made a purchase then I strongly advise that you visit the gallery and sent out via Parentmail. You will also find a Leavers gallery full of amazing shots. We will see Nicola again in the new year when she updates our marketing images to use on the website and marketing/promo material.

The year 6 leavers festival was a lovely evening. For the first time, parents/carers and other family members joined us for pizza and the local Castle Sleeper restaurant did a super job delivering 36 pizzas on time! They were tasty. As always, Mark (Music Most Wanted) performed for FREE and was amazing, singing well known songs in the sunshine. Making it a truly community event was Mr Horton who provided tasty Ganders Ice Cream. I enjoyed the elderflower and gooseberry flavour! Do look out for Ganders and local events throughout the summer.

We then ended the year at the church where three children received very special 'Values' awards. These awards should be cherished and are awarded in memory of Morey Gompertz and Sue Beadsworth who certainly made an impact upon our school in their own way. They would have been proud of the choices made. Have a lovely summer – Mr Scott

## **SAFEGUARDING**

### **Photos – Social Media Platforms**

*It is great that so many of you use various social media platforms to follow our school. As you know, we will always endeavor to seek permissions for use of pictures on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and websites etc. Please be mindful that you should NOT post any pictures of other children yourself unless you have permission to do so. Thank you for your co-operation. Thank you also for NOT taking pictures during the recent Lion King performances. Please do visit the Gallery as shared via Parentmail where you can log in and purchase high quality pictures. The gallery is password protected.*



## Beaumanor Hall



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

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

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>/Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – Year 4

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

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## 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

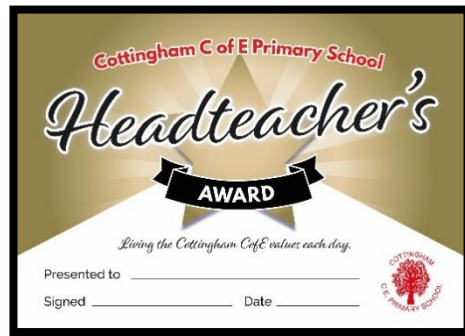
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023



**ALLOTMENT!!!**

Check out the allotment area that will be ready for the children to grow their won produce in from September. We will even start to compost the waste from lunch times. Thank you to our amazing parent helpers who have not only given the time to tidy the area but to then look after it...The children will hopefully start to taste and also sell their produce from Sep onwards. Anyone able to help keep the area looking good please do drop us an email..

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**THANK YOU**

From the PTFA... this year with your support we have raised over  
**£7000**

Here are some of the things the money has supported...

- Outdoor Messengers...  
opening Sept 2022
- Support for school  
trips
- Fastenime
- New starter book bags
- W & leave foodies
- Supporting for  
Summer celebration
- Support School Leavers
- Classroom

If you would like to get involved or just find out a little bit more about the PTFA. We will be holding our AGM on...

Wednesday 25th September 2024 7.30am @ Royal George  
Cottingham

The image is a thank-you poster for the PTFA. It has a dark purple background with colorful fireworks and confetti. The text is in various colors and fonts. At the bottom, there is a large, colorful trumpet graphic.

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## Free online Resources for Parents

Disagreements in relationships are normal and not necessarily problematic when resolved constructively. However, when parents are entrenched in conflict that is frequent, intense and poorly resolved it is likely to have a negative impact on the parents and their children. Research show that this conflict is harmful to children and affects their outcomes.

### Reducing Parental Conflict (RPC) Parenting Programme Resources

As part of the DWP Reducing Parental Conflict Programme, we have invested in 3 online resources for parents, whether together or separated, to help them to understand the impact of this conflict and to look at alternatives

ways of resolving this by communicating with each other differently.

The resources are:

1. **Me, You and Baby Too** - for new and expecting parents
2. **Arguing Better** - to support parents to manage conflict constructively and reduce the impact it has on children
3. **Getting it Right For Children** - for separated parents to help minimise the impact of separation on children

All three of the above courses are online and parents who wish to access them can work their way through the courses at their own pace, they do not need to complete all in one go, they can save and come back to it later. Parents can do any one of the above online courses or all three, depending on their circumstances and needs.

To access the online resources parents will need a smart device such as a mobile phone and an internet connection. (There have been some reports that certain browsers such as internet explorer can impact the viewing and completion of the course, so try to avoid this browser).

These resources are **free** to access via <http://northamptonshire.opo.org.uk>, or via the QR code on the flyers attached. As a professional you can review the modules through the link, using your professional email address.

Please feel free to display the attached flyers, and to share with your parents as appropriate.

These resources are not appropriate where there is suspicion or evidence of domestic abuse, where there will be an imbalance of power and one parent may feel fearful of the other.



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## Summer Reading Challenge



*This is a great, FREE event that will see the children rewarded for completing reading challenges throughout the summer holidays. Prior to lockdown, we had won the event for three years running. Let's see if we can lift the trophy again and show the Love of Reading at Cottingham CofE. When you sign your children up please Tweet/Insta and show how many starter stickers we have..*



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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!

## And relax.....



Check out this great set of pictures showing children having the chance to relax and unwind. There is not a digital device in sight also! Mrs Southcombe will continue to offer yoga from September that will allow children the opportunity to unwind and take their minds off the daily grinds. These children certainly look like they appreciate the time.



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## Time Out For Parents



### Handling Anger in the Family

Sessions for anyone parenting children aged 5 to 16

**Date**

Every Wednesday 7:00 - 9:00pm  
28th September - 19th October 2022

This course will be run online via Zoom

Book your place online  
visit [www.hopeforfamilies.org.uk/events](http://www.hopeforfamilies.org.uk/events)

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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you to engage with your children and boost your relationship

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## DRUMS

As always, we were wowed by the children who performed guitars and drums to us at the end of term. Over 20 children took centre stage to show what they had been learning this year. If you haven't already done so, please contact Jamie or Joe if your child would like to take up lessons from September.



## VALUES

Our three values award winners as chosen by the staff. On the right, the KS2 winners receiving their awards from Mr Beadsworth in memory of his wife and former Cottingham teacher Mrs Beadsworth.

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## music monsters

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## Magnificent Minds



The Magnificent Mind Team (MMT) did a fantastic job at their cake sale recently raising £185.00 for Florence #Bemorefab. Next year we will be meeting at the start of term, to discuss ways in which we can help others and really show our school values.

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## Sports Update

I write the final sports update with immense pride, over the last two weeks we have achieved two landmarks which acknowledge how well the children are doing during sports at school. Firstly, we have achieved the school games gold mark again! This is a national award where Mrs Lloyd and Mr Stafford sat down and had to complete an application highlighting all the sports we do during school and out of school, we received the news this week that we have achieved the gold mark again which we are so proud of, well done to all children who help us to achieve this.

Our second huge achievement took place last Friday where fifteen children from our school attended the sports going for gold event at Spratton Hall, this is the pinnacle sporting event of the year with all PDET school being invited. The day consists of twelve sporting challenges which are scored over the day. Before this year we had never achieved higher than fourth place but this year we came first place. As well as this we had two children come in the top three children over the whole, this is an almighty achievement and one we are so proud of.

Our sports star of the week goes to Asher Hodson! Asher has been working so hard at his 5k running and has recently started running this on his own. He recently smashed his personal best, well done Asher!





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GOOD LUCK YEAR 6!

