

The Cottingham CofE fortnightly

Issue 1 – Week Ending 16th September 2022

'You are the people of God, he loved you and chose you for his own. So then you must clothe yourself with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.' Colossians 3vs12

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a very busy start to the term. As always, I must thank you – the super parents and carers – for adhering to our rules and requests. It has been amazing to see so many children in school uniform and wearing their PE kits. They really do look very smart and ready to learn. I know that there has been some frustrating delays with our current uniform provider so I can only apologise on their behalf. Please contact the school office if you continue to have issues regarding delays etc. I would also like to thank you for providing the children with a healthy fruit/veg snack at break time. The children look like they enjoy their snacks and then have room for their lunches later on. You always co-operate with our wishes and it does not go un-noticed.

As well as being a hectic return to school, it has been a sad and surreal start. The death of Her Majesty the Queen, has come as a shock to us all. The children and staff were able to show our respects in Friday worship and also take part in a silent period of reflection. Although a very sad time, it is an historical one that most of us have not witnessed before. Monday 19th September, has been declared a bank holiday and as a result we will be closed for the day. I will certainly be watching the funeral on TV and I know that you will all invite your children to do so whilst explaining to them what is happening. At any time, please do contact us if you or your children are struggling to come to terms with the Queen's passing. The special jubilee books that all children received have suddenly become a remarkable person. I was amazed by a statistic that I read this week – only 5% of the World's population were born before the Queen. She will be well remembered I am sure by 100% of the population.

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be updating our school calendar and will share the autumn fridge dates with you. They will include details of parent-teacher meetings, sporting events, Love 2 Lunch amongst other activities that are being planned. You will all have received class news and termly planners. Please share these with your children. If you require any further class news/support, please contact your child's class teacher.

The new starters in Willow class are this week enjoying a full morning and lunch with us. As expected there has been tears during the last week or so (That's just the parents) but as always the children have settled in well and Mrs Delo and the team have done an amazing job to almost have them ready for full time education. The staff, pupils and parents will certainly sleep well at the weekend.

Thank you for continuing to be such supportive parents/carers. See you all soon. Mr Scott.



SAFEGUARDING

As you know, we have had a number of wasps enjoying the school surroundings during the summer. We are monitoring the situation and it looks like they are moving away. Please do inform us if your child returns home with a sting that we have not been made aware of.

As always, we would remind you to ensure that all of your contact details are up to date including address, email, phone number and main contacts etc. If your circumstances change please inform the office.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring the safety of our children/pupils.



Beaumanor Hall



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

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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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

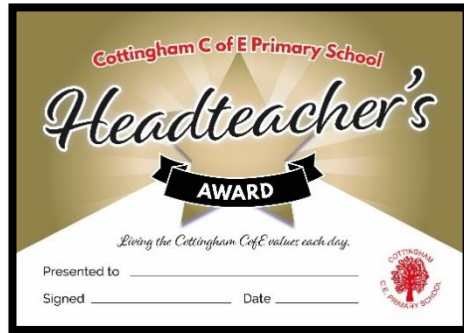


Reflection

We were all able to show our respect and reflect upon the passing of HRH the Queen. The children observed a period of silence whilst listening to the bells ring at St Mary's Church. A very sad occasion but one that the children respected perfectly.



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Calling all singers!

ISM Music Education are incredibly excited to be offering singing lessons at Cottingham C of E Primary School!

You can see our fantastic singing tutor Cecilia in the video below -

<https://youtu.be/uu5vCWhvGtU>

Vocal lessons are £5.50 per session over ten weeks (£55 total) for one to one lessons. (For key stage 2 students) held during school hours. To sign up please use the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScPS7b6iDv9ICXUYluxwxi75nZkwUVzTUASBNxMwHXdhzitMw/viewform?usp=sf_link

We are also offering students (Years 4-6) the chance to be a part of Young Voices! Young Voices Choir sessions will be held during Tuesday lunchtime and funded by the school for the first term at least. This is a really great opportunity for students to have a fantastic experience singing with thousands of others at a huge venue in the UK. Children will be able to sign up for choir on Monday!

<https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/>

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact us at jamie@ismacademy.co.uk

Many thanks

Jamie - ISM Music Education



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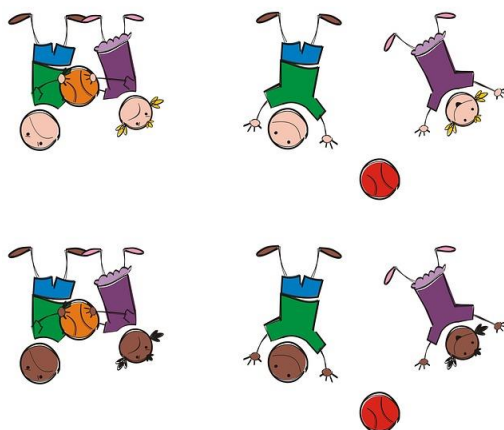
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PHONICS – WRITING

These pictures show some super images of phonics and writing across the school. This was on day 6 of starting back to school. There is no time to waste and whether 4 years old or 11, the work has started at a good pace...



Sports Update



Children have enjoyed getting back in to PE during school time. KS2 children have shown an excellent start to their hockey lessons, whilst KS1 have immersed themselves in REAL PE.

Year 6 children have been invited to apply to join Sports Crew. Mr Stafford and Mrs Lloyd have been incredibly impressed with the quality of all the applications, and we look forward to training up our new Sports Crew over the coming weeks.

Our busy term of external fixtures begins in the next few weeks so look out for updates on our sporting successes! Thank you very much for ensuring your children take part in smart PE uniform also. It is very much appreciated.

We are working hard to make our EYFS kitchen dreams a reality....Watch this space for more news...

