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The Fortnightly

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'An honest witness does not deceive but a false witness pours out lies.'
Proverbs 14:5



Headteacher's Welcome

Dear Parent/carer,

A Happy New Year to you all. It has been a pleasure seeing the children and staff back in school. From the first few minutes, learning had begun and everyone well into their routines. I hope that you like the new look newsletter written using Microsoft Sway. Sway is available to us all who have an Office 365 account and after speaking to other Headteachers I decided it was the way to go. I like that it can be viewed on the go and on any device. The Sway will fit whichever device is being used to view it. This modern format also allows me to upload unlimited photographs in 'stacks'. Writing the newsletter in Word or Publisher would not allow that. I do hope that you prefer the change. Please do share the link to this Sway to others.....I would also appreciate any feedback that you might like to offer.

I would like to remind you that all staff are now using new emails. As a reminder, all staff can be contacted via email addresses ending @cottingham.pdet.org.uk. For example, head@, office@ or f.wason@ (Staff forename initial.surname@). If at any time you have a query, please do use email to contact us. We always endeavor to reply as soon as possible and certainly within two working days.

As was the case in the previous newsletter, there is a 'term dates' section. Please refer to this for future dates for start and end of term. I would also like to remind you of our next INSET day on Friday 31st March. Therefore the last day of term will be Thursday 30th March.

As mentioned above, the learning journeys for all children have started to take shape. As you know, you can check up on the learning that is in store by reading the termly learning planners and class news. As always, please do discuss and share with your children. You might want to print out and put on the fridge. It was certainly a pleasure to see the children wearing appropriate PE kits (No random hoodies etc!) since the start of term. Thank you for your support to ensure that the children are dressed appropriately for their learning. We are on the look out for wire, string, buttons, sequins etc that could be used by children in KS2 this term. You may have seen out 'wanted' tweets!!!

Thank you for reading this new Sway newsletter....I hope you like it....Mr Scott

Safeguarding



As always, please contact Mr Scott head@cottingham.pdet.org.uk or Mrs Wilson c.wilson@cottingham.pdet.org.uk if you have a safeguarding query or concern. Further information can also be found at [Safeguarding - Cottingham Primary](#)

Epi-Pens/Inhalers

It is parent's responsibility to ensure all Epi -pens/Inhalers are in date. If you are not sure please contact school office. Please do this TODAY! Children who require an Epi-Pen should have two in school at any time.

GDPR

Privacy Notices

The latest Privacy Notices can be found on the school website www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk

Photos

Please let the school office know if you **DO NOT** want photographs of your child taken and used in the newsletter, twitter or any other social media. Please **DO** let us know.

Sports News









We are looking forward to our sports/PE offer this term that will include as much participation as possible in a number of events. It has been great to see children strait back into their PE lessons this week and having almost 100% appropriate kit. The pictures here show the children in Hawthorn class not only learning and developing new skills but also having fun!

The first event of the year was the Pacesetters Winter Games! Two of our year 5 teams participated in events that included indoor New Age Kurling, bobsleigh, ice hockey and Ice skating. Both teams performed well finishing 6th and 3rd out of ten other teams. Much fun was had. The bobsleigh was particularly good fun.













Governors Update



Welcome to our new Governors section in the newsletter. I'm David and Chair of the school's Academy Governance Committee (AGC). This is the Board of Governors that you may be more familiar with but re-shaped to align with being part of an Academy Trust.

Often referred to as a "critical friend", a Governor supports a variety of aspects of school life and is also there to offer a different perspective with the aim to keep the school compliant and aspiring to achieve the best for all children.

In future newsletters we will introduce the Governors and share more on what we do.

If an occasion arises that you would like to speak to me about, then you are welcome to contact me by email initially at d.sharman@cottingham.pdet.org.uk. The staff do a great job every day and so I should note that they will always be your first point of contact.

Watch this space for more information and insight!

David Sharman



Magnificent Minds



Mrs Southcombe met with the Magnificent Mind Team at the start of term to discuss Mental Health Awareness Week, which will be Monday 6th - Friday 10th February 2023. The team will be helping with the Walk to School Week, along with offering healthy snacks at breaktime. In addition to this the team will continue to be 'Wellbeing Role Models' and look out for all children in school. They will meet regularly to discuss ideas

Award Winners





Well done to all of the latest Headteacher award winners...





Well done to all of the latest Star of the Week award winners...





Well done to all of the latest Playground award winners...

Term Dates



Academic Year 2022 to 2023

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

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

Thursday 30 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**

Additional Bank Holiday

An additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8th May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 key stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary.

Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

- Tuesday 9th May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- Wednesday 10th May: English reading paper
- Thursday 11th May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)

Friday 12th May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

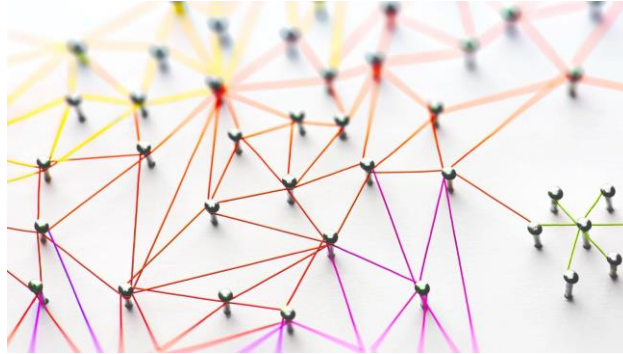
Love2Lunch



Welcome to Love2Lunch

Our next Love2Lunch is for KS1 on Friday 10th February - letters will be going home shortly. Places are limited to one adult per child. Please do come along if you are able.

Communications



As a school team, we believe that we always communicate with parents/carers in a number of ways and more often than not in a timely fashion. Our communication platforms include the use of Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, school website, TEAMS, Parentmail and good old fashioned paper! This new style newsletter uses SWAY which is a Microsoft product. We do hope that you access these platforms and are happy with the information that you receive. If you feel that additional information is required please do offer your feedback.

We know that we cannot please everyone and that some parents/carers will prefer a different platform for communications than others. When sending information via Parentmail for example, we are mindful of those of you with more than one child and in receipt of more than one email being received for example. For that reason, we feel the use of both TEAMS and school website offers you the information required but at your own leisure. As part of the trust, all staff are now using TEAMS to access documents and to communicate with one another for example. If at any time you need a TEAMS log in reminder, please do ask. TEAMS is a very modern platform that children may use in secondary school so please do encourage your child to access the information regarding their learning also....

Music Lessons

"ISM Education are pleased to announce they will be offering Vocal, Guitar and Ukulele lessons this term (January 2023)

Lessons will begin next week (week commencing 9th January) for 10 weeks.

Prices are -

Guitar and vocals - £5.50 per session over ten weeks (£55 total) for one to one lessons. (For key stage 2 students)

Ukulele - £4.50 per session over ten weeks (£45 total) in small groups. (For key stage 1 students)

To sign up please scan the QR code on the poster or alternatively use the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf1O95NATssX1pjfNqLVZtG3F1YK-cVmJ4RNAYyt9I8LBL31g/viewform?usp=sf_link

If you have any questions or need assistance don't hesitate to contact Jamie at jamie@ismacademy.co.uk.

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MUSIC LESSONS!

GUITAR, UKULELE + VOCALS


ISM Academy
www.ismacademy.co.uk

MUSIC LESSONS WILL BE STARTING BACK WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY
9TH JANUARY 2023

GUITAR AND VOCAL 1:1 / 2:1 YEARS 3-6
COST: £5.50 PER LESSON - 10 WEEKS - TOTAL TO PAY £55.00

UKULELE (SMALL GROUPS) YEARS 1-2
COST: £4.50 PER LESSON - 10 WEEKS - TOTAL TO PAY £45.00

SIGN UP HERE



Hope you enjoyed reading the 'Fornightly'.. We will write again soon!

