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The Fortnightly

Issue 26

"I have no greater joy than this, to hear that my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 1:4



Headteacher's Welcome

Dear Parent/Carer,

The last week has been filled with: assessments, music lessons, football skills, playground activities, after school clubs and not forgetting World Book Day. Surely, a week like this is why we all enjoy school? A huge well done and thank you to the pupils and staff. As well as all of these activities, the children have been taught and have welcomed many guests. I must say another thank you to parents and children who donated a book to our new library via the Amazon Wishlist.

I enjoyed watching from afar as children enjoyed a football skills session this week. For those of you that follow our Twitter (X) and Instagram feeds, you will have seen the skills sessions. I have again, included links to Ash's YouTube videos so you and your children can be amazed once again. As you know, we always look forward to providing a new activity each term during which the children can try something new. We are hoping for some dance sessions next.

Check out the lovely pictures below including yet more from our art journeys. We have such talented artists here. Children have many talents. I was at my son's GCSE choices night this week at CBA. One teacher is the brother of a girl I once taught. Being from Corby myself, I was so proud to hear that she now works at Queens Hospital in London. I thought to myself that the job must have received so many applications and hers was the one that proved successful. It's fantastic to think that I was part of her journey in a small way many moons ago. The children from Cottingham are all special and will one day wow us all in their own certain way whatever that may be.

A short welcome message this week. Please share the news with your children and friends and family.

Enjoy the weekend, see you soon.

Mr Scott

Safeguarding - It's everyone's responsibility.



The staff put the safety and well-being of your children at the top of our list. In the role of DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead) Mr Scott sends out to staff a regular news letter that ensures we are all kept up to date with latest legislation. The DSL and DDSL (Deputies) Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Cox also meet regularly to discuss any concerns. In the last update, staff were quizzed on the following areas:

DO (Formerly LADO) - *Who is it?*

MASH - *What is it?*

Professional Curiosity - *What is it?*

KCSIE - *What are the main changes 2023?*

My Concern - *All staff log in!*

Low level concerns - *What are they?*

Prevent - *What is this? What are we preventing?*

Radicalisation - *What does this mean?*

You will probably be surprised by some of the areas that we discuss and are asked to keep up to date with.

We always hope that you feel like your children are safe in our school. We think they are!



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Photo Permissions/Privacy Notices/Emergency Contacts/Medical

- **Photo Permissions** - are sought at the start of your child's journey with Cottingham and for each individual event. It is really important that you inform school if you wish to withdraw photo permission at any time.
- **Privacy Notices** - and other important documentation is available to view on our website www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk
- **Emergency Contacts** - it is imperative that you keep us up to date with any changes to your contact details
- **Medical** - please ensure all medical details are up to date. It is parents/guardians responsibility to check that all inhalers and epi-pens are up to date. Any medication bought into school must be handed to a member of staff and a medication form must be completed. Thank you

Young Voices Video - Out Now



A HUGE thank you to you and your choir for making YV24 concerts so memorable. We think you'll agree it was amazing! We can't wait to see you again next year and will keep you informed as soon as Registrations for YV2025 open!

Just to note, we've received numerous inquiries from parents regarding the video stream of their concert. Please inform your YV choir families that they can access the YV2024 concert video by visiting yv24film.co.uk

PLEASE NOTE: All concerts will be available to stream for 6 months and downloadable to keep at the end of this period.

We look forward to seeing you next year.

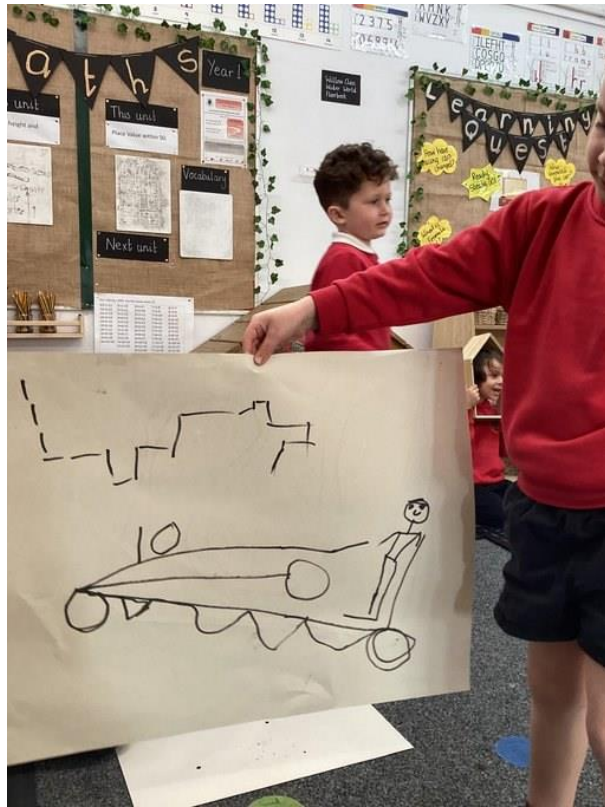
The YV Team

EYFS/KS1



We have enjoyed learning more about cars in history in Ash and Willow. First of all a gallery to find out facts, followed by time in provision designing cars and tracks of our own. Check out the pictures including using torches to hunt for clues and information. Our KS1/EYFS provision continues to provide fantastic learning opportunities and it s no surprise that we have NO spaces at all in EYFS/Y1 or Y2...









Terrific Times Tables



Well done to our new members of the 144 club- today we had 3 children and 2 different members of staff: Mrs Rutter and Mrs Smith. Great to see so many names appearing in the club.

I hope that you have all had the chance to practise your child's KIRFs with them over the course of the term but if not, please note that these can be downloaded for each year groups from both the website and also the class teams accounts.

It has been great to see that Hawthorn have won the class tournament this week with an average point score of 361. Beech were second with 302 and Oak had 145.

Class participation- here is a run down of what percentage of each class have been on TTRS this week:

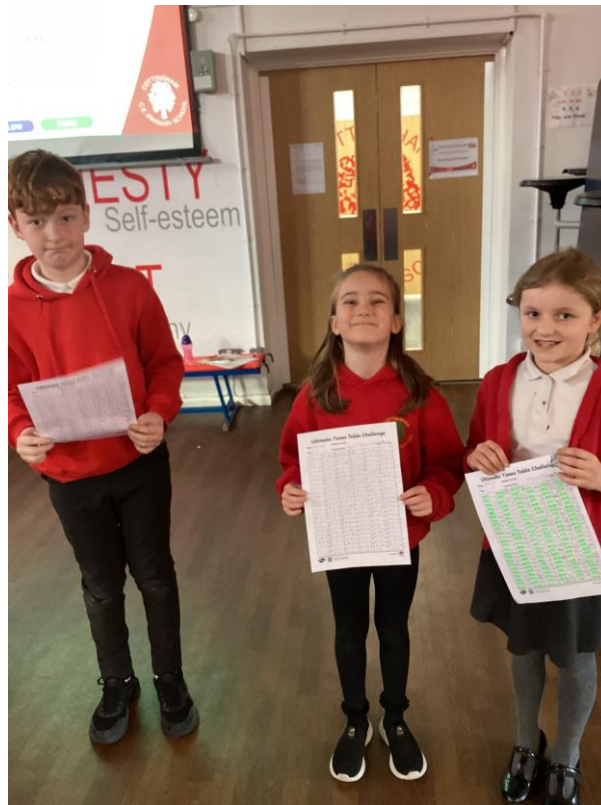
Hawthorn- 78%

Beech- 78%

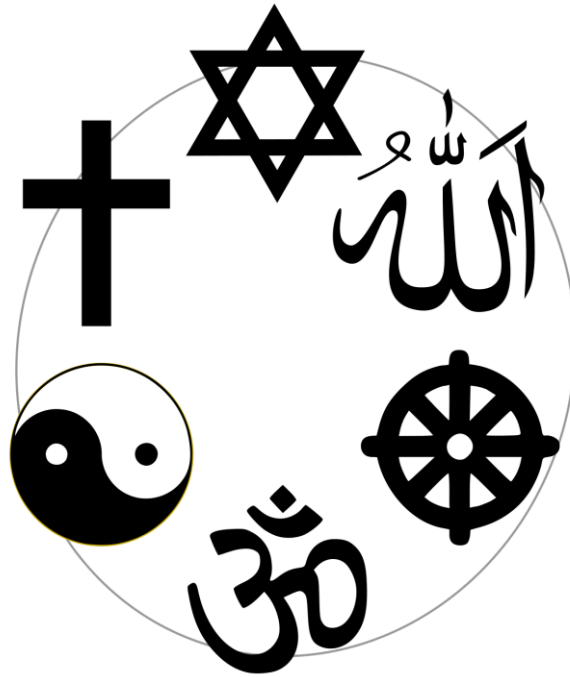
Oak- 100%

Ash- 57%

This means that there are a lot of children across the school who are not completing their homework- please try hard to ensure that this is completed as a minimum each week. Don't forget that 15 minutes of TTRS garage mode is expected homework each week- **the percentage of children getting their homework completed is a lot lower than the percentage of children going on to TTRS. Only 36 children across the whole school completed the non-negotiable homework 15 minute homework last week.**



RE - Judaism Experience



As part of our RE journey, both KS1 and Y5 welcomed a guest speaker who talked about the Judaism religion. The children listened to his stories and were able to look at real artefacts that they had only seen in books and on the internet.





Art Journey

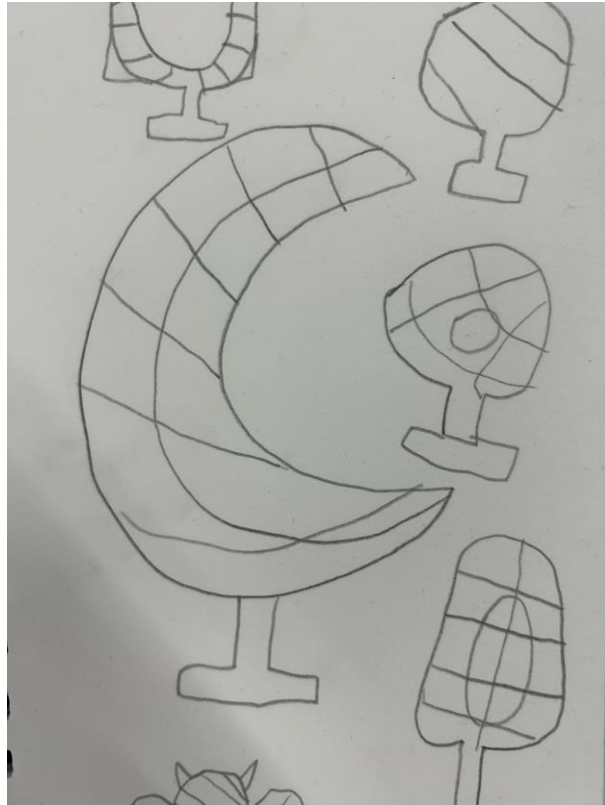


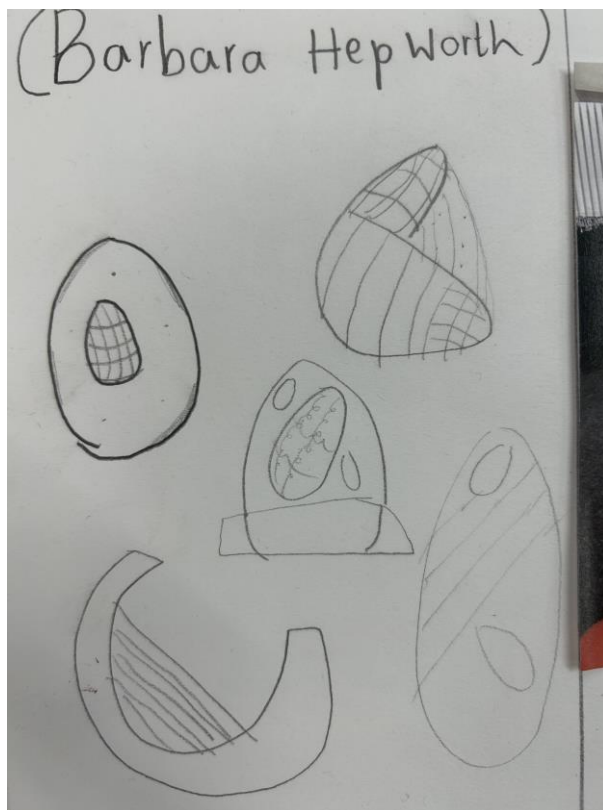
At the end of last term, we were amazed once again by the art work produced by all children. The work, some of which has been on display in school will again amaze you all. Please take time to look at the work and share with the children. Has their work been included in this edition of the news? So many skills are evident in the work and the children certainly show their love of the subject.

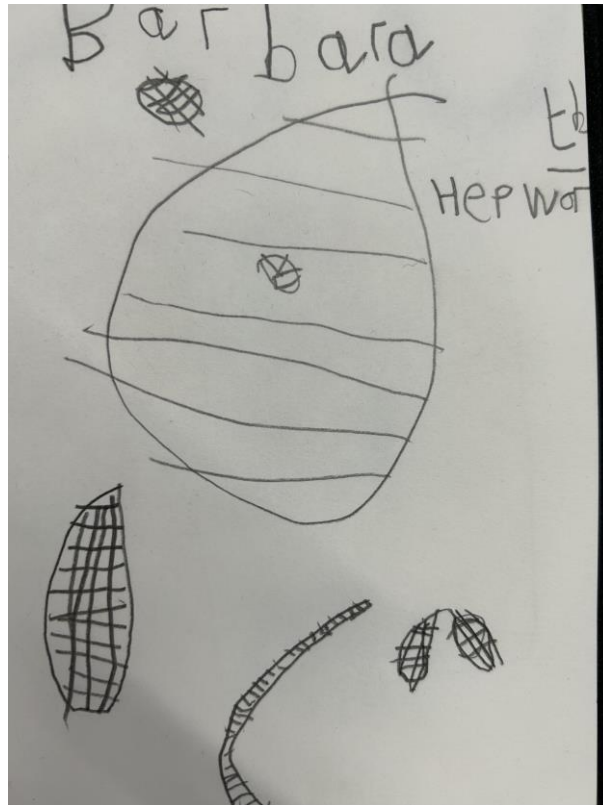








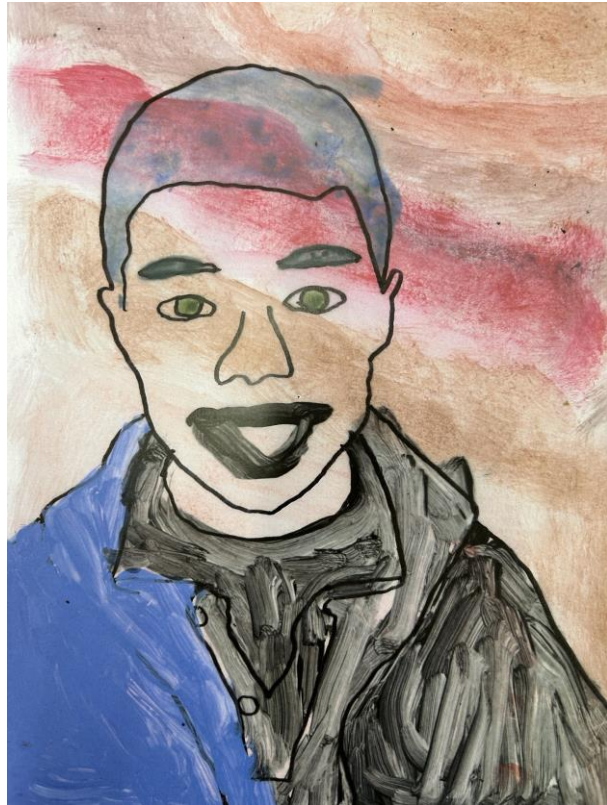






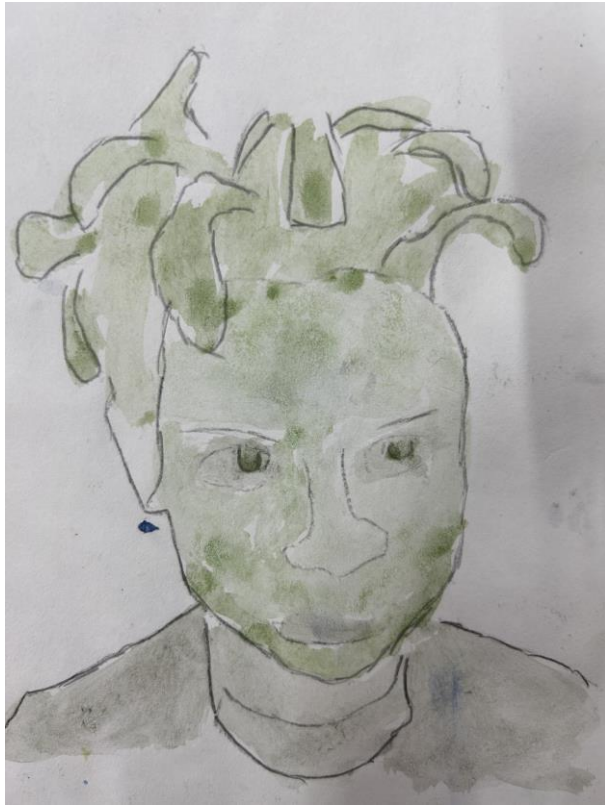




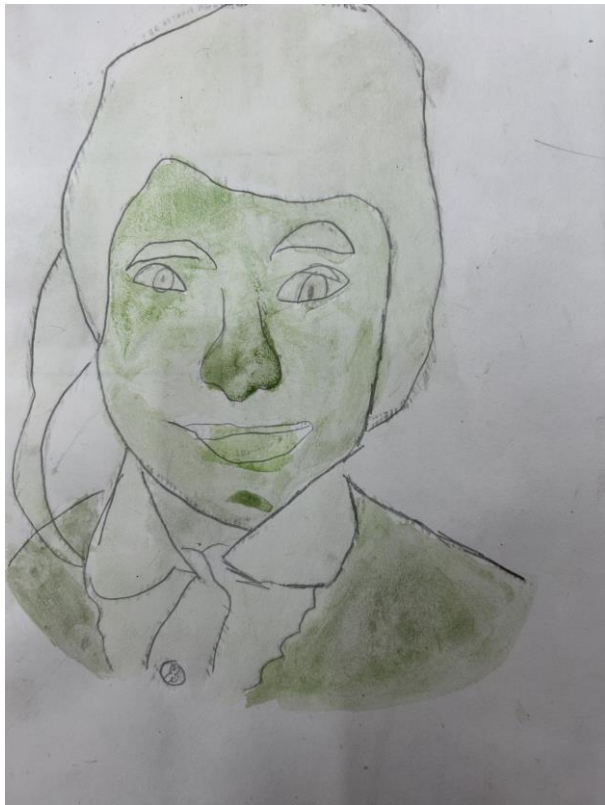
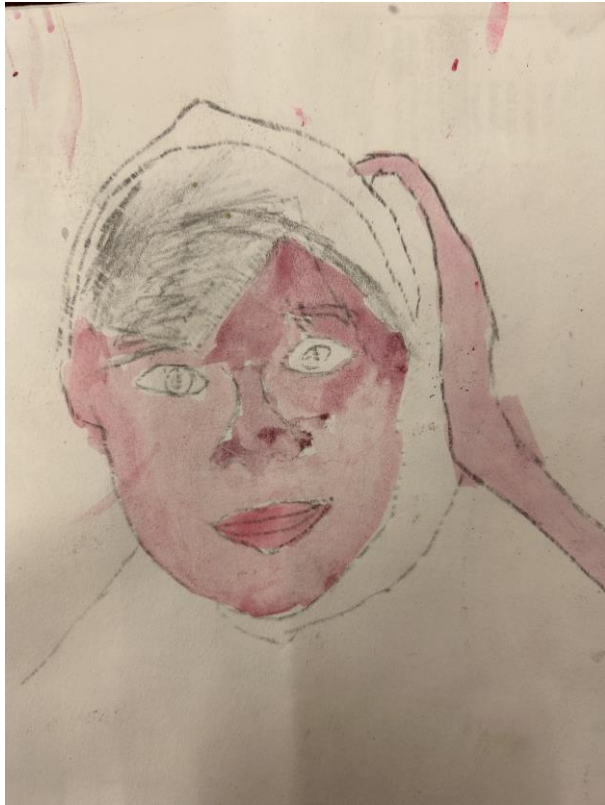




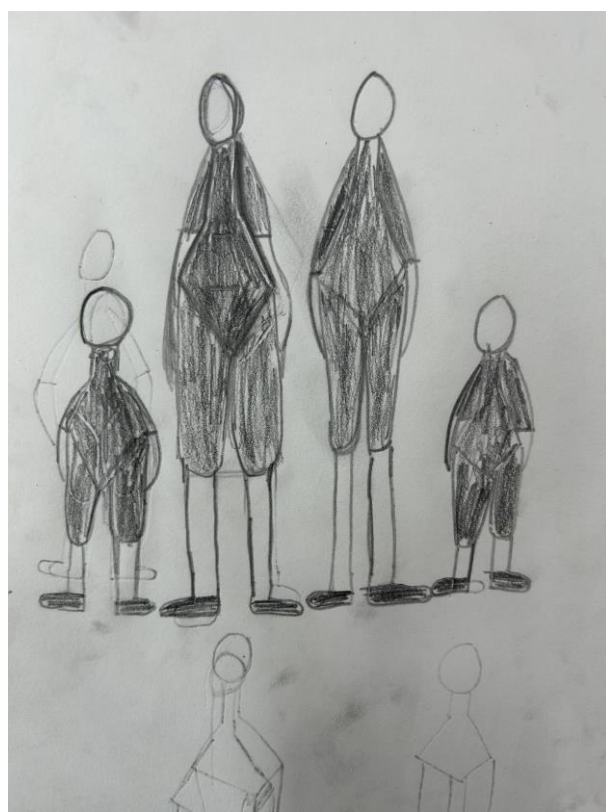




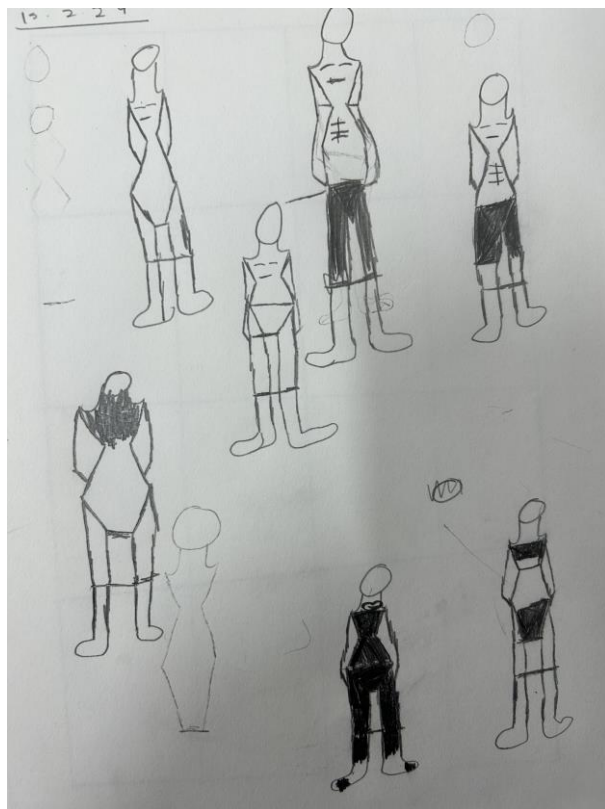




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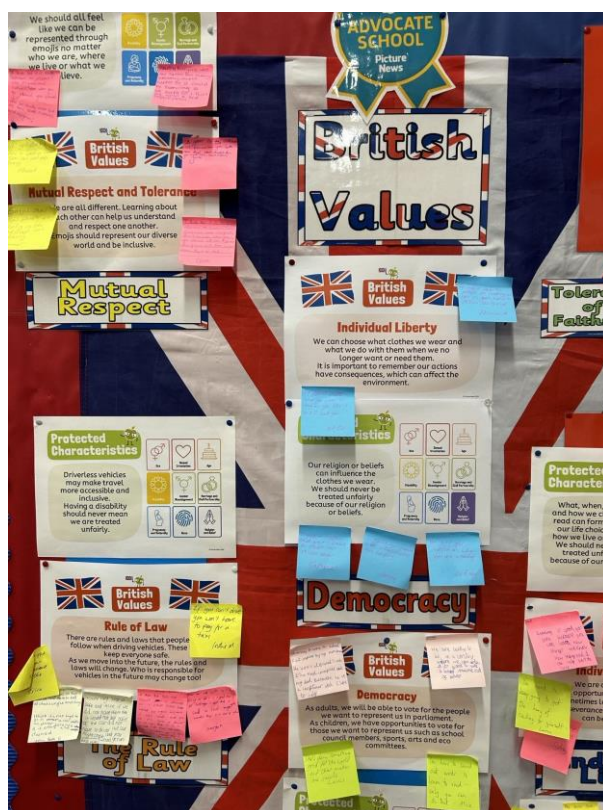


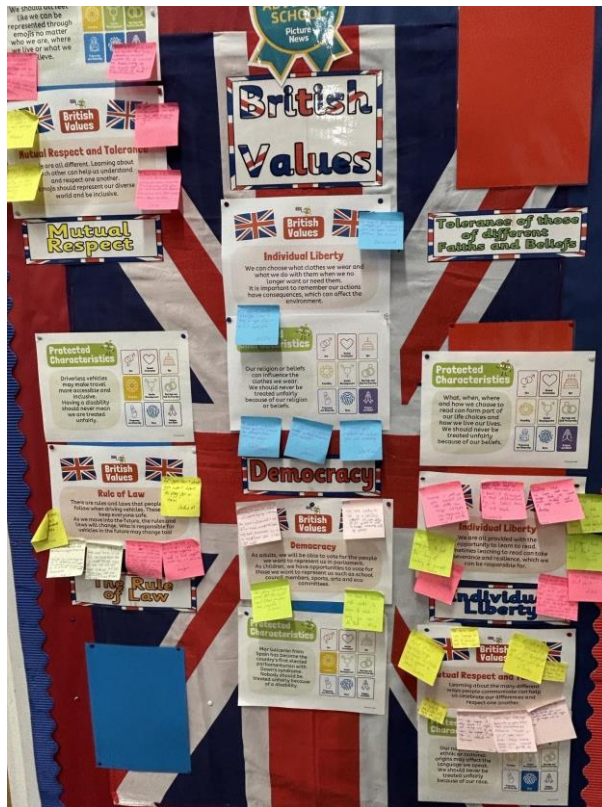


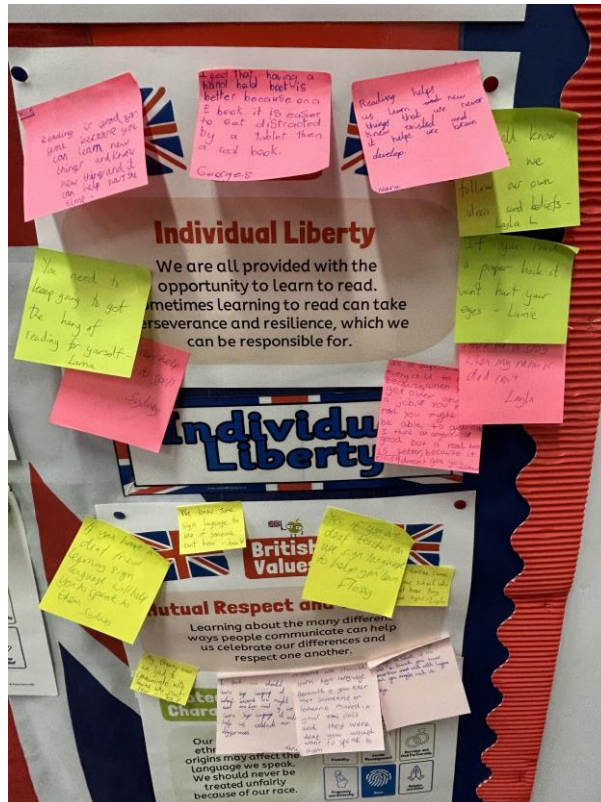
British Values



Each week, the children continue to discuss topics related to the British Values. Ask your children at home what they have been discussing. Do they know the values? The discussions also look at a particular protected characteristic. If you are in school, you might want to look at the display in the hall that includes pupil voice from their discussions. The images below show the coverage of discussions from last term.







PE Update

In PE this term, KS2 children are looking forward to a term of basketball, alongside the REAL PE lessons. They will be learning key skills associated with the game along with games specific rules. As always, all our PE lessons are engaging and inclusive and basketball is generally very popular amongst the pupils!

On Wednesday 6th March freestyle footballer, Ash Randall, came in to show the children his football tricks and skills. The children will start the day with an assembly, before each class got to try out their own skills and learn some new ones.

We have the following up and coming sports fixtures:

- Tuesday 12th March - Yr5/6 Basketball tournament at Kingswood 3.30pm - 5.30pm
- Wednesday 27th March - Yr 5/6 Girls netball tournament at Brooke Weston 1.30pm-3.30pm

In addition, KS2 and Yr2s have a cricket takeover day to look forward to before the end of term.

Please continue to bring in any achievements children have been awarded outside of school to our celebration assembly on a Friday.

Mrs Lloyd











 PACESETTER GAMES LEAGUE TABLE TOP 10 - FEBRUARY 2024		
		AVERAGE POINTS
1	COTTINGHAM	8.3
2	KISLINGBURY	7.5
3	GUILSBOROUGH	7.4
4	WELFORD	6.7
=5	THE BRAMPTONS	6.6
=5	ALTHORP	6.5
=5	MILTON PAROCHIAL	6.5
8	WALGRAVE	6.5
9	ST PATRICKS	6.4
10	BOOTHVILLE	6.2

Online Safety



At Cottingham C of E, Online safety is of great importance to us. Please do take the time to read the latest guide from the National Online Safety for parents and carers all about smartwatches. We will aim to provide regular online safety notices. In this day and age it is so important that we are keeping our children safe on line so that they can become strong digital citizens. In school, all children have their own passwords to access the IT. Our firewall is also very strong. Is yours at home?



If you have an online safety concern regarding your own child please contact Miss Hurn at E.Hurn@cottingham.pdet.org.uk

If you have an online safety concern about another child then please contact our safeguarding team.

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Healthy School Silver Award

As many of you are aware - last term we were awarded The Healthy School's Bronze Award!

The North Northamptonshire Healthy Schools Bronze Award is a set of evidence-based standards and self-auditing tool, designed to guide educational settings in improving the health and wellbeing of their school community.

It promotes a whole school approach to mental health and wellbeing, healthy eating, physical activity as well as personal, social, health and economic education.

Teaching about the importance of health and wellbeing, building a supportive school culture and developing a rich physical environment is key to the Healthy Schools programme. As is engagement with the wider community.

I am delighted to tell you we are now working towards the Silver Award.....

The Silver Award is a self-led project for a targeted group of children, which focuses on one healthy priority. I am delighted to tell you that yesterday, I started work with Year 5s. We are going to base our project on the Five Ways to Wellbeing. Next week the children will be taking part in a baseline survey and from this we will generate targets and create an action plan.

This is very exciting and we will keep you posted.....

Carolynn x

Governors Update



The AGC look forward to their next meeting, and the fourth of the year, on March 18th. As always, if you have any questions please pass them on to one of our parent or community governors.

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...

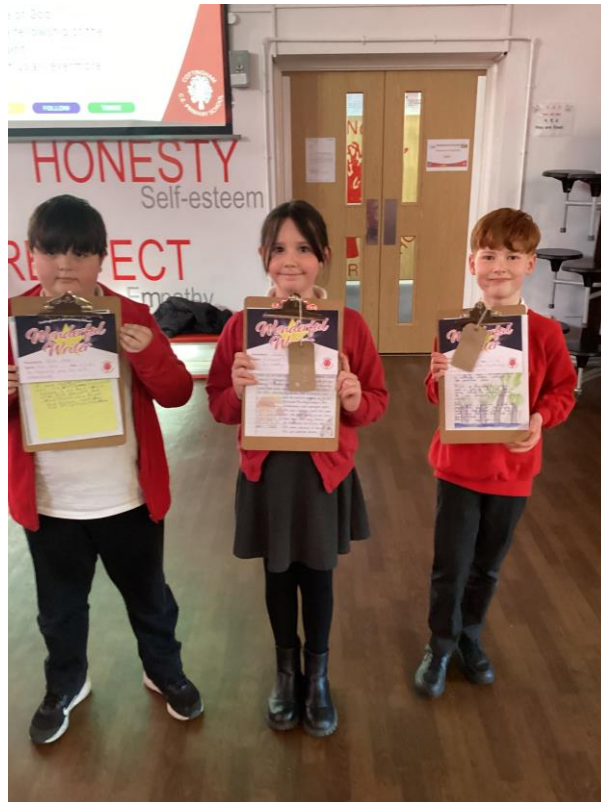
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Wonderful Writer

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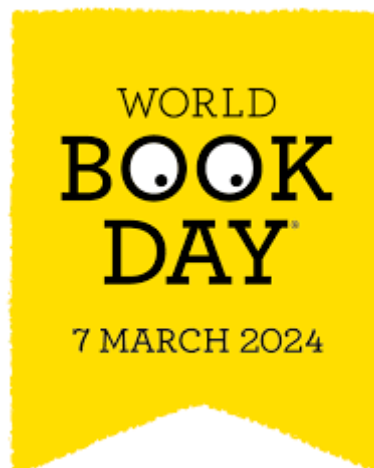
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Well done to all of the latest Star of the Week award winners...

World Book Day



As always, the children and staff at Cottingham CofE enjoyed the annual WBD. You may have already seen images on various social media platforms. The children were invited to make book character spoons and there was so many excellent entries into the class boxes. We had costumes and lots of activities that celebrated books.

Thank you to the few who made donations of books to our library. Remember though that a book isn't just for WBD! It's for life..

Here are a few more pictures from the day including some of those posted from home.













Term Dates

Academic Year 2023/2024

Term 4 Tuesday 27th February 2024 - Thursday 28th March 2024

Term 5 Monday 15th April 2024 - Friday 24th May 2024

Term 6 Monday 3rd June - Tuesday 23rd July 2024

INSET Days

Monday 26th February 2024

School Uniform



*Please ensure all items of school uniform are clearly marked with your child's name. We already have some items in school that are not named and can not be returned to you! **Children should also be wearing suitable PE kits on their PE days...Thank you***

Will write again soon.....

