



Cotteridge Clarion



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Week Ending: 30th June 2017

With just over 3 weeks of the term left, school is an extremely busy and vibrant place to be. We still have much to do, including concerts, productions, visits, sports days, CoCoMAD and the summer fair! We are especially looking forward to our first ever Enterprise Week which starts on Monday. This is designed to enhance our vision of Inspiring Dreams and to motivate children to think creatively. Each class will compete to be the most profitable, with the winning class enjoying a free trip to Drayton Manor on 19th July! It is a wonderful time of year to work in a school and a privilege to be with the children of Cotteridge. I wish all families a wonderful weekend and hope to see you at CoCoMAD. Mr. Leonard

Parent Transition Information Meetings

Today, children and parents have been told who their teachers for next year will be. As part of the transition we have arranged the following meetings for parents:

Tue 4th July 9:05am— Parents of Reception children moving in to year 1.
(Meeting will take place in the Infant hall)

Thu 13th July 9:05am—Parents of Y2 children moving in to year 3.
(Meeting will take place in the Junior Hall)

These meetings will be led by Mrs Darby and Mrs Tucker and will inform parents about routines and expectations in the next phase of the school. As a result of our recent Parent Forum we have also extended the purpose of the open parent evening event on Mon 17th July. This is a drop in session between 3:30pm and 4:15pm to have a look at your child's books. However, you are now also invited to 'drop in' and say hello to next year's teacher so as to put a face to a name. (Please note that there will not be time to have detailed discussions with new teachers, the purpose of the drop in is quite literally to make greetings and say 'hello'.)

Right of the Week: Article 8. Chosen by Reception UNICEF ambassadors Bethan RB and Isaac RW. Governments must respect every child's right to a name, a nationality and family ties.

Attendance; Week beginning
19th June 2017

Congratulations

KS1 — 1B winner 98.7%

KS2 — 5T winner 98.0%

Overall attendance Y1-Y6 95.6%

July diary dates....

July

Mon 3 - Year 2 Swimming begins (10 day block)

Tue 4 - Rec to Yr1 Parent Meeting

Fri 7 - Summer Fair

Tue 11 - Yr 1 Black Country Museum

Wed 12 - Report home to parents
RW Class Assembly

Thu 13 - Y2 to Y3 Parent Meeting -
9.10am

Fri 14 - Sports Day

Birmingham school games

Mon 17th—Parents Open Evening

Tue 18 - Infant Entertainer

Wed 19 - Y6 Leavers' Show 2 & 6.30pm

Thu 20 - 2pm Yrs 3/4 Disco

5pm Yrs 5/6 Disco

Fri 21 - Sports Day 'Back Up Day'

Mon 24 - 2pm Y6 Graduation Ceremony

All dates are on the school website

Term dates 2016-17

Summer Term 2017

Mon 5th June - Tue 25th July

Autumn Term 2017

Children start Tue 5th Sept

Teacher Training Days

Tuesday 25th July 2017

Netball — Cotteridge School are the overall High 5 WINNERS for Kings Norton Junior Netball League. Well done to Mrs Smith, Melissa Smith and all the girls.

School Games all day competition on 14th July, details to follow. Netball presentation on 20th July at 4pm in the Junior Hall. Next training session—Thursday 6th July and Thursday 13th July.

Y3 Airport Visit On Wednesday Year 3 had a very exciting visit to Birmingham Airport. The children met pilot Tim Williams who told them all about being a pilot and how he became one. We also met Operations Manager Emma O'Hare, who explained about life working as Cabin Crew and how today she helps to keep the airport running smoothly. After that, we went on a job hunt around the



airport and talked to lots of interesting people about their jobs. It was a tiring day but good fun!

Summer Fair

Friday 7th July from 3.15pm. Bring your lucky program and you could be a winner. Lots of stalls and fun for all the family.



RB Assembly

RB performed a fantastic assembly about their topic Going Places. They talked about their Severn Valley Trip and sang with gusto! Well done RB!



Music Concerts

The children involved with various music lessons in school gave us a concert to show case their talents. The week started off with a guitar concert on Monday and was followed on Wednesday by Year 4 children, who have just completed their year of whole class music, they played with confidence and showed how they had improved their skills over the year. Our year 5 and 6 elective music players showed how much they had progressed. For pictures of the music concerts please visit the school website. There is still the opportunity for year 4 children to opt for elective lessons in Year 5, please contact the school office for more information.



SnapChat

E-safety is a crucially important aspect of our safeguarding and we aim to inform and educate our pupils, parents and staff on the current issues surrounding this subject. We wish to inform parents that Snap Chat have launched a new update on their app called 'SnapMap'. This latest feature allows users to share their location with people they are connected to on SnapChat. The feature displays a map of people they are connected to, showing their latest location using a smartphone's GPS sensor. Users of the app can also display public photos and videos sent by people from those locations. We urge parents to disable this location feature on their child's phone by selecting the ghost mode on this app. To enable the ghost mode, simply pinch the screen when it is in the selfie mode to bring up the SnapMap. Click the settings icon in the top right hand corner and select the 'ghost mode'. Even though it is not well known please note that Snapchat's age restriction is 13+. We urge parents to discuss this information to support the message we are sending out in school. Thank you in advance for your co-operation,



P4C Question of the week:

If you could choose just one thing to change about the world, what would it be?



Reminder: Please can all outstanding dinners, trips, music and Breakfast and Afterschool Club payments be made before 19th July for this half term. Please pay using ParentPay. Contact the office if you have problems registering or any queries regarding your payments.

