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Whole School Attendance w/c 4th March 2019 97%

Attendance superstars for this week 2S 99% / 3B 100%

It has been an incredibly busy week in school with quite a few school trips taking place as well as all the World Book Day activities. On Tuesday and Wednesday our Reception classes had a trip on the bus into Birmingham to BUILD-A-BEAR so now both classes have a customised bear to call their own. Thursday saw Year 2 taking our first ever school trip to Twycross zoo which was a very enjoyable day despite the rather blustery weather.

I’d also like to mention the Year 4 visit that took place last Friday at the Botanical Gardens which I accompanied. The children learnt an enormous amount about the rainforest for their topic and really enjoyed exploring the indoor glasshouses as well as the outdoor gardens. The glasshouses gave children an insight into what it might be like to be in a rainforest with the associated smells, sights and sounds. All children received a taught session which saw them handling snakes and other exotic animals. Many of them were braver than me! The behaviour of the children was excellent and I had some super conversations about the learning with my group. The trip was perfect timing to link with 4T’s assembly during which they demonstrated their deep knowledge about the rainforest and how important it is to us.

Across the school you will not have missed all the excellent World Book Day activities. This year we undertook our first ever book swap and it was really successful. The other activities across the week, culminating in the pyjama day today, have all raised the profile of the enjoyment of reading in our school. On a daily basis, school buzzes with engaged readers: the libraries in both Key Stage 1 and 2 are often full to the brim with children changing books. This week however the children were excited to talk about books, whether it was during breakfast, story time or during the book swap. We feel that the week has taken the children’s interest in books to another level. Photos from all the book activities will be on next week’s newsletter.

I wish all families a relaxing weekend. Miss Lacey.

Right of the Week:

Article 4 Chosen by Year 5 UNICEF ambassadors Tino 5A and Aaron 5H. Governments must do all they can to make sure every child can enjoy their rights.

Achieving Excellence

Diary Dates:

March
Mon 11 Science Week
Fri 15 Y4 ‘Big Bang’ Nec Trip
Red Nose Day Non Uniform
Mon 18 3E Parent Reading Workshop
Tue 19 3B Parent Reading Workshop
Wed 20 5H Class Assembly 9.05am

April
Wed 3 2CS Class Assembly
Mon 8 Parents’ Evening
Wed 10 Parents’ Evening
3E Class Assembly 9.05
Thu 21 Y1 Parent Phonics Meeting
Fri 22 Y2 Parent SATs Meeting
Tue 30 Y4 Vikings Day

Term Dates 2018/19:
Spring Term 2019
Tuesday 26th Feb - Friday 12th April

Summer Term 2019
Monday 29th Apr - Friday 24th May

Half Term: Mon 27th - Fri 31st May
Monday 3rd June - Friday 19th July

Teacher Training Days
Monday 22nd July 2019
Achieving Excellence

Safeguarding Update:
Cotteridge Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

Today is International Women's Day and as a school we champion and celebrate the amazing achievements of women locally and globally. At last, society seems to be making big strides towards equality and recognising women's rights internationally. At a time when Marvel comics finally have a female superhero, and for the first time ever Nasa have an all female crew in space, we encourage all of the 211 girls in our school to have big dreams and never let anyone think that you can't achieve them! We also want to recognise our 51 female members of staff (93% of our workforce) for the brilliant job that they do in educating our children. Also, we champion our moms who inspire their daughters and sons, day in and day out, by raising families and achieving great things in their work and at home. Let’s support women and girls who are breaking down barriers to create a better world for everyone!!

From all of the Cotteridge Staff.

Inspiring Dreams

Reception visit to BUILD-A-BEAR

Reception had a fantastic time at BUILD-A-BEAR Workshop. RB named their bear ‘Nutter’ and RP named theirs ‘Cookie’. Nutter and Cookie cannot wait to spend the upcoming weekend with the children.

Year 2 Twycross Zoo

Year 2 had a fabulous day at the Zoo! When they arrived they took part in an exciting science lesson, where they learnt about different habitats and created a habitat in small groups. The children have learnt soooo much and were a credit to the school!

4T Class Assembly

4T’s class assembly was absolutely brilliant yesterday, the children were full of energy and performed their fun and informative take on ‘I’m in the rainforest, get me out of here!’ to a captivated audience of parents, carers, pupils and staff. Thank you to everyone that came to watch.

Netball

Netball player of the week: Fatima 6G

Upcoming matches:
High 5 — 26th March at Welsh House Farm,

Red Nose Day 2019: Friday 15th March 2019

Please bring a non-uniform contribution of 50p. During play, children will be able to pay 20p to have a red nose painted on with face paint. Children will also be able to take part in silly races at playtime, where the silliest run wins! Entry fee 10p a go. We are also holding our first ever Red Nose Day joke competition! Children pay 20p to enter. There will be heats in classes with the grand final to be held in Assembly on Friday 15th March. Jokes must not last more than 30 seconds, and be ready for class heats by Wednesday 13th March.

Miss Lacey, Miss Peters, Unicef Ambassadors