

# COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



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Friday 16th November 2018

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## TTENDANCE

Whole school target is 97%

	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
<b>Attendance %</b>	90%	93%	97%	98%	94%	94%	98%

Whole School Attendance w/c  
12th November

**96%**

Attendance superstars  
for this week

**2CS 97% / 3B 99%**

School life has continued to be as busy as ever this week. On Monday, my assembly theme was anti-bullying, which is part of a nationwide week long campaign. It is clear from talking to our children that they have a very good understanding of bullying and how it can make people feel. My message was for children to choose kindness, rather than bullying and I am confident that our children have been making this choice across the week.

My goodness Year 5 are having a busy week! On Thursday Lego Mindstorms came in to school, working with the children to programme scout robots. As the pictures on the back page show, they're using impressive kit here and really developing their computing skills. On Friday, we are taking Year 5 to the Skills Show at the NEC, which promises to be a worthwhile and informative event.

I would also like to mention that the Netball Club had a highly successful match last week, winning against West Heath. Now, we know our team are brilliant but this was a super way to start the season. Well done Cotteridge!

On a final note, I'd like to remind parents about school uniform: red or white polo shirt, black or grey trousers or skirt, red sweatshirt or cardigan. All children are expected to wear dark coloured shoes, no trainers, and no fashion boots. No jewellery, such as earrings (except studs) are permitted, as they can cause accidents in PE. We have noticed that some children are wearing trainers to school, so we would ask that parents find an appropriate alternative to these.

I wish all parents and families a happy and relaxing weekend. Miss Lacey.

### Diary Dates: November

- Mon 19 Class 2CS Swimming  
Y5 & Y6 Parents Maths  
Workshop at 2pm
- Tue 20 RB Phonics Workshop
- Wed 21 RP Phonics Workshop
- Fri 23 Road Safety non-uniform  
awareness day—traffic
- Mon 26 5H Parent Reading Work-  
shop (9.05am)
- Tue 27 5A Parent Reading Work-  
shop (9.05am)
- Wed 28 3B Class Assembly 9.05am

### Term Dates 2018/19:

#### Autumn Term

Mon 5th Nov - Fri 21st Dec (1.30pm  
closed)

#### Teacher Training Days

- Thursday 29th November 2018
- Friday 30th November 2018
- Monday 25th February 2019
- Monday 22nd July 2019

See the website for all dates

Question of the week



How do you  
know you  
are not  
dreaming  
now?

### Right of the Week:

Article 15 Chosen by Year 4 UNICEF ambassadors Sausan 4J and Tabitha 4T. Every child has the right to meet with other children and to join groups and organisations, as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights.



## 2S Class Assembly

On Wednesday, class 2S performed their class assembly to the school and parents. They shared with us lots of facts about Guy Fawkes and explained the reasons why we celebrate Bonfire Night on the 5th November. The children performed with confidence and sang beautifully. Well done 2S!



## Year 5 Lego Mindstorm



On Thursday, Year 5 had the challenge of designing and making Lego Mindstorm vehicles as part of our Space Explorers topic. To construct the robots the children had to connect the motors, add the wheels, attach a sensor and finally input the programme controller. After wiring it all



up, we used coding software, programming not only the robots to travel, but to also avoid obstacles, similar to 'Bruno' the Mars space rover we saw at the National Space Centre last week!

## Netball

Super start to the Netball season winning our first match 10-0 against West Heath. All the girls played to the highest standard with great team spirit. Well done girls!

**Man of the Match: Kara 6PE**

**Netball player of the week:**

**Netball matches: Eva 5A**

Monday 19th November at Jervoise School

Friday 18th January home against Kings Norton

Thursday 24th January home against Raddlebarn



Please ensure you keep your account up to date and please pre-book your child's lunch in advance. Thank you.

## Road Safety

On Friday 23rd November we are having a non-uniform day to raise awareness of road safety. NO DONATIONS



## A MASSIVE THANKYOU!

Thank you to all parents who have paid £20 towards children's trips and visits. We have been especially amazed that 75 families paid the full amount of the cost of trips. This was most unexpected and we are truly grateful! "Our parents never cease to amaze me with their support for the school. Thank you!"

- Mr. Leonard