

COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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TTENDANCE

Whole school target is 97%

	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Attendance %	98%	91%	97%	99%	94%	96%	95%

Whole School Attendance w/c
21st January 2019

96%

Attendance superstars
for this week

2CS 98% / 3E & 5A 99%

It has been a pleasure to have so many dads, stepdads, grandads, uncles and brothers in school for Dads' Week. We hope that everyone enjoyed either the Lego or the drumming activities. Judging by the look on everyone's face, a good time was had by all. We really do value the time taken out of busy morning schedules to come and work with the children in school.

Two school trips have happened this week. Year 3 went on the train to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery to learn about life during Egyptian times. School visits are highly enjoyable and the children look forward to them, but the key benefit is that the learning that takes place off site in a specialist area deepens the children's knowledge and understanding of a subject in a way that simply cannot be achieved in the classroom. Year 3 are now well on the way to becoming expert Egyptologists and school history lessons will be much more meaningful.

Year 5 had a different type of trip: they visited Safeside, learning some important messages about keeping safe at home and when travelling around Birmingham. The messages from the Safeside staff are sometimes hard hitting but incredibly relevant. The trip, I hope shows that as a school we value not only the importance of academic development but personal development too.

Could I also signpost Mrs Burnett's Safeguarding section of today's newsletter? Safeguarding is always of paramount importance at Cotteridge School and with the start of the new year, we are taking the opportunity to firm up some of our procedures. As always, these procedures are driven by the safety of the children.

Finally, some advance warning. It's Red Nose Day on Friday 15th March and we will be running a non-uniform day with some other exciting activities to raise money for Comic Relief. The day is to be organised by the UNICEF ambassadors with the main event being a joke competition, so please get practising!

I wish all families a restful weekend. Miss Lacey

Diary Dates:

January

Tue 29 Parent Forum 5pm

Wed 30 1P Class Assembly 9.15am

February

Mon 4 2S Parent Reading Workshop
9.05am

Tue 5 2CS Parent Reading Workshop
9.05am

Wed 6 6PE Class Assembly

Mon 11 Class 3B swimming begins

Tue 12 RB Parent Workshop 9.05am

Wed 13 RP Parent Workshop 9.05am

Fri 15 PTA Non Uniform Day (50p donation)

Term Dates 2018/19:

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th Jan - Friday 15th Feb

Half Term: Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Feb

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 25th February 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Question of the week



Are the
best
things in
life free?

Netball

Player of the week: Emma 6G

Result: Another successful win 15
-0 against Kings Norton.

Man of the match: Taya 6PE

Next Netball match: Thursday 31st
January at home against Raddlebarn.



Right of the Week:

Article 11 Chosen by Year 4

UNICEF ambassadors Tabitha 4T
and Sausan 4J. Governments
must do everything they can to stop chil-
dren being taken out of their own country
illegally or being prevented from returning.



Achieving Excellence

Inspiring Dreams

Dad's Week

A massive "THANK YOU!" to all the Dads, Stepdads, Grandads, Brothers, Uncles, friends who came along to support our creative week of fun activities. In total more than 170 'dads' came in to take part. We've had amazing positive feedback from those who came in, and their children. Please see the website for more photos. Of course a huge thank you to all Dads, Moms and working parents who do their best to support us throughout the year. We completely understand that not all could make the workshops this week and know that you do so much for your children all the time.



Y3 Egyptian Topic Museum Visit

On Wednesday, we went on this brilliant school trip, where we learned lots about Ancient Egypt (Anna, 3B). We had two activities which were super fun. We went to two workshops (Faith, 3E). We got to look at mysterious objects that were from Ancient Egypt and guess what they were and what they were made from (Faith, 3B). Please see our class page on the website for lots more photos.



Y5 Safeside Visit

On Thursday, Year 5 took an insightful and important visit to Safeside, where they learnt more about how to remain safe at home and around the city, through experiencing real-life situations.

From using public transport to ensuring safety in the home, the children learnt how to be a good junior citizen. It was a real pleasure to witness the children asking and answering such thought-provoking questions. The members of Safeside commented on how well behaved and focused our children were. A massive thank you to Mrs Sword and Mrs Charlton for volunteering their time to support our trip.



Clubs Overview-Spring Term 2019

	Club	Location	Year groups involved	Time	Dates from	Date to	Number of weeks
Monday	Football Team training	KS2 playground	KS2	3.30-4.30	7 th January	8 th April	Ongoing
Tuesday	KS2 Dance Club	KS2 Hall	KS2	3.30-4.30	15 th Jan	9 th April	13 weeks
	KS1 Dance Club	KS1 Hall	Year 1-2	3.30-4.30	22 nd January	2 nd April	10 weeks
	STEM Club	6G	KS2	3.30-4.30	29 th Jan	26 th March	8 weeks
Wednesday	Multi skills	Main Hall/KS2 Playground	Year 4	3.30-4.30	16 th Jan	13 th Feb	5 weeks
	Football	Main Hall/KS2 Playground	Year 3	3.30-4.30	27 th Feb Letter to follow	3 rd April	6 weeks
Thursday	Netball	KS2 Playground	Year 5 and 6	3.30-4.30	10 th Jan	11 th April	Ongoing
	Gymnastics Club	KS1 Hall	Y1-2	3.30-4.30	24 th January	4 th April	10 weeks
Friday	Chess Club	Library	KS2	3.15-4.15	25 th Jan	5 th April	10 weeks

Safeguarding Update:

Cotteridge Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of Children.

This week all school staff had refresher training on Safeguarding, as a result of this we are taking the opportunity to revise and tighten up on some of our procedures in school, one of which will be procedures at home time. We recognise that from time to time, children are picked up by parents other than their own. However, if this is going to happen could the parent of the child that is going to be picked up kindly let the office know. The last thing we want as a school is to cause unnecessary delays at home time whilst we try to get in touch with you for consent. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me through the school office.

Thank you Zoe Burnett.

