

## **COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL**



NEWSLETTER

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Friday 16th February 2018



#### TTENDANCE

#### Whole school target is 97%

	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Attendance %	91%	93%	96%	97%	94%	96%	96%

Whole School Attendance this week

96%

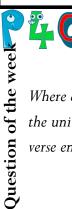
Attendance superstars for this week

2W 97% / 3J 99.6%

Half term is here already and I am sure that the children are looking forward to a well earned rest. I continue to be amazed by their achievements and the hard work that is shown in their exercise books. This week I felt very proud to take our choir to a workshop at the Symphony Hall and I continue to believe that providing our children with such inspirational experiences is a crucial part of achieving our vision for the school. You are also aware that we are working hard to provide a wide variety of after school clubs to further enrich the children's learning. In addition to Art, Netball and Music provisions already in place, this week we saw the start of 'Magical Maths' and we are looking forward to Chess, Code and STEM clubs beginning after the holiday.

Reading continues to be our whole school priority and so we are looking forward to many exciting activities after the holiday including: World Book Day, the Bournville Book Festival and an exciting new initiative coming soon called the "Accelerated Reader Programme' Watch this space...!

Finally, I wish to thank all of the staff, governors and parent volunteers who have worked so hard for the children over the last half term. I wish you all a lovely half term holiday together as families. Mr. Leonard





Where does the universe end?



#### Netball Next match:

21st March friendly against Colmers Farm Netball Player of the week: Toni 6G

Right of the Week: Article 13 Chosen by Year 6 UNICEF ambassadors Trinity 6PE and Amy 6G. Every child must be free to say what they think and to seek and receive all kinds of information, as long as it is within the law.



#### **Upcoming Diary Dates:**

Thur 1 Year 2 Parents SATs Meeting

9.10am

World Book Day

Wed 7 4J Class Assembly 9.10am

Y2 Dudley Zoo Visit

Mon 12 1B Parents Reading Workshop

Fri 9 Y4 Botanical Gardens

Tue 13 1P Parents Reading Workshop

Parent Forum 5pm

Fri 16 Y4 'Big Bang' Science Trip

Tue 20 Y6 Parents' SATS meeting

9.10am

Wed 21 2W Class Assembly 9.10am

Fri 23 PTA Non Uniform Day 50p

donation

See the website for future dates

**Term Dates 2017/18:** 

Spring Term

Mon 26th Feb - Thur 29th Mar

Summer Term

Mon 16th Apr - Fri 25th May

Half Term: Mon 28th May - Fri 1st Jun

Mon 4th Jun - Fri 20th Jul

**Teacher Training Days** 

Monday 23rd July 2018

Tuesday 24th July 2018

#### Symphony Hall



The Cotteridge Junior Choir has been a source of great pride in school for a long time. On Monday, we shared our dulcet tones with an audience at the Symphony Hall. Performing in such an inspirational setting is a wonderful opportunity and the children did us proud as always!

#### **6G Class Assembly**

Class 6G performed their class assembly this week on St Valentine's Day. Audiences were given information on how the heart works and why people think love comes from the heart. 6G shared the history of St Valentine's Day and where it all began, topped off with a sketch from Blind Date (with our very own Miss Cilla Black and 'Our Graham') and a song from Queen. Everyone involved presented themselves with confidence and enthusiasm and wowed their audience. Very well done 6G!

#### Year 6 Stirchley Baths

As part of our World War Two topic, Year 6 have spent some time this week working in partnership with Stirchley Baths — a building in our local area with a rich history. On Monday, we were joined by Suzanne and Laurie who introduced us to many accounts from local residents about life in the war and detailed maps of where bombs were dropped in this area. On Tuesday, Year 6 then followed the map route and found evidence of these bombings happening, before going into the Baths and enjoying some 1940s dancing, (as the baths were closed during the war



and turned into a ballroom for residents). We had a fantastic day discovering more about our local area.



# COTTERIDGE PARK FAMILY BUSHCRAFT SUNDAYS Campfire, dens, mud, bugs and exploration 3rd Sunday of the Month HALF TERM February 18th 2-4pm Meet at the Forest School Children bring a grown up with you Wewcotteridgepark-org-uk

#### Half Term in Cotteridge Park

Family Bushcraft Camp - Sunday 18th February 2-4pm. Meet at the Forest School Camp fire and Den Building

Ice Age Activities - Saturday 24th Feburary
Be a rock detective, have a go at geology, build a volcano
11.30am-2.30pm. Meet at the rocks at the Breedon Rd/Railway
Bridge entrance



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