COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Issue 26

Friday 29th March 2018

It's my pleasure to inform you that we have now received our report from Ofsted, and Cotteridge continues to be judged as a 'Good' school. The report is available to read on the school website and will be available on the Ofsted website after Easter. As you will see the inspector was full of praise and positivity for our school, and our whole community should feel very, very proud. Although the letter is addressed to me, I really believe that it should be addressed to 'Everyone at Cotteridge School' because it takes a team of people to make a school of our size such a Good place to be. I



want to thank all of the hardworking and dedicated staff, who care for our children from Nursery to Year 6, all of whom go well beyond job descriptions and give so much of their time and energy to enrich the school. Also a big thank you to the governors who volunteer their time to attend meetings often late into the evening. And finally a big mention for the PTA, who not only raise funds but also try and arrange fun activities for the children to enjoy. Of course the group which should have most praise is our children. They are a joy to work with and a credit to themselves and their families. Thank you!

Having a good Ofsted Inspection of course does not mean that we are now complacent or that we believe our school is perfect. No school is! Therefore we shall continue to strive to inspire children to achieve excellence and seek opportunities to make our good practice even better. What it does mean is that the Leonard family are going to have a good rest over the next two weeks, with no mention of Ofsted or inspectors! I hope that you too have a wonderful spring holiday together as families and hopefully we shall all see some blue skies at some point in the next two weeks.

Happy Holidays!! Mr. Leonard

Upcoming Diary Dates:

APRIL

Mon 16 Y3 Multiskills

Tue 17 Y4 Viking Day

Y1 Multiskills

Y5 Residential Parents Meeting

Wed 18 Y3 Lapworth Museum Visit

Y2 Multiskills

Fri 20 Unicef Day

Wed 25 3J Class Assembly 9.10am

Mon 30 Yr3 Swimming begins (10 day

block)

MAY

Thu 3 Voting - School Closed

Wed 9 1P Class Assembly 9.10am

Mon 14 Y6 SATs Week

Wed 16 Y5 Malvern Residential-3 days

Wed 23 RB Class Assembly 9.10am

Thu 24 Y6 Drayton Manor Trip

Fri 25 PTA Non Uniform Day (50p

donation)

See the website for future dates

Term Dates 2017/18:

Summer Term

Mon 16th Apr - Fri 25th May

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

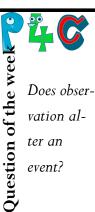
Mon 4th Jun - Fri 20th Jul

Teacher Training Days

Monday 23rd July 2018 Tuesday 24th July 2018

Voting Day

3rd May - SCHOOL CLOSED



Next match: Bournville Wednesday 25th April.

Does observation alter an

event?

Right of the Week: Article 11 Chosen by Year 1 UNICEF ambassadors

Akeem 1P and Jacob 1B. Every child has the right to meet with other children and join groups and organisations, as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights.



Achieving Excellence

Bonnet Parade

On Wednesday, Early Years and Key Stage One thoroughly enjoyed our annual 'Easter Bonnet Parade'. The bonnets were all fantastic! Thank you so much to all the children and the parents involved for such wonderful creations!

The lucky winners from each class were awarded with yummy Easter eggs.



Thank you to our parent Mrs Jones and Tesco express on Lindon Road for providing our school with £200 worth of Easter eggs for prizes.



The Bake Off

The house winners of the Great Cotteridge School Bake Off were announced on Friday. Mr Leonard and Chair of the Governors Mrs Chitty had a tough job judging $_{whose}$ cheese scones pass the technical challenge! It was a close

decision but Cadbury House won and they are looking forward to their prize - visiting Chitty's



Cupcake and Play

The PTA would like to thank all those who helped at home and earned their silver which they then sent back to school. Congratulations to our winners across the school. 2W enjoyed the class prize of extra



play, cupcakes and a drink today for earning the most silver as a class. The total funds raised from silver smarties was £1,200. THANK YOU!



Bag2School Charity bags please return to school on Monday 16th April 2018. Have fun filling them up!



'Decorate an Egg' Competition

Key Stage Two pupils presented an impressive array of decorated eggs for the competition. Well done to all the children who took part. The winners were awarded with Easter eggs.



Oxford Visit

On Monday, a group of pupils enjoyed an inspirational visit to Oxford University. They are taking part in a project to produce an extended piece of writing about the engineering process involved with producing ice cream. It was a fabulous day and as always Cotteridge children did us proud.



