



COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 31st March 2021

Class	RB	RD	IH	1P	2B	2S	3A	3B	4B	4T	5PE	5S	6A	6H	Whole School
Attendance %	94.9	98.9	96.5	93.8	94.8	94.4	96.1	96.7	88.5	93.5	93.3	94.4	92.3	94.5	94.5

From Friday 26th March to Tuesday 30th March inclusive

Target: 97%

Well, what a term it has been, and throughout it all our children have shown true determination, perseverance and resilience. It has been lovely ending the term with such beautiful weather and it has been fantastic to see the children playing outside and making the most of the sunshine.

The term ended yesterday with a special visitor... the Easter Bunny! The children delighted in receiving chocolate eggs and meeting him in person! A much deserved treat for all.

Thank you to everybody for your patience and understanding this term with our Covid regulations around school. We will continue with these measures after Easter, including the one way system and the use of masks. We are also very excited about moving back into year group bubbles rather than class bubbles after Easter, as long as local cases remain low.

We hope you all have a restful break and a lovely Easter. Let's hope the weather holds out for us and we will see you all back at school on Monday 19th April. *Mrs Darby.*



Diary Dates

April 2021

- Thurs 1 Teacher Training Day
- Fri 2 Bank Holiday. School Closes For Easter Holiday
- Mon 19 School Re-opens For Summer Term

May 2021

- Mon 3 Bank Holiday. School Closed.
- Thurs 6 School Closed For Elections
- Wed 26 Year 6 Residential Trip To Malvern
- Fri 28 Teacher Training Day. School Closes For Half Term.

June 2021

- Mon 7 School Re-opens for Summer Term 2
- Tues 8 Group Photos

July 2021

- Wed 21 Last Day. School Closes for Summer Holiday

School Closed:

- Monday 3rd May—Bank Holiday
- Thursday 6th May—Elections
- Thursday 28th May—Teacher Training Day



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Free Money Advice Services

These are difficult times financially for many individuals and families.

**Do you need advice on your entitlement to welfare benefit?
Do you have debts & need help managing your money?**

If so, please do not hesitate to seek help, advice and support from accredited organisations acting on behalf of Birmingham City Council.

Confidential advice is available over the telephone from qualified advisors and without any charge whatsoever to Birmingham residents.

Please call the advice provider for the constituency or area nearest to where you live:-

North Birmingham: Sutton, Erdington, Shard End Spitfire Advice Services; Tel: 0121 747 5932

South Birmingham: Edgbaston, Selly Oak, Northfield Citizens Advice Birmingham; Tel: 0344 477 1010

East Birmingham: Hodge Hill, Yardley, Hall Green Citizens Advice Birmingham; Tel: 0344 477 1010

West & Central Birmingham: Ladywood & Perry Barr Birmingham Settlement Tel: 0121 250 0765

Alternatively, contact Birmingham City Council's Contact Centre for a range of advice (welfare benefits, council tax, housing & more) on 0121 216 3030.

DON'T WAIT FOR A SMALL PROBLEM TO BECOME A BIG ONE – CALL TODAY. *

* (Most advice providers operate between 10am & 4pm Monday to Friday and, at times, extend advice services beyond those core hours.)



Internet Safety Week 2

Online games are social activities, and most have features that allow children to chat with others whilst they play.



For information about the positives of gaming, the risks of in-game chat and measures you can take to help protect them, watch this short video: [In-game chat: a guide for parents and carers](#) .

The PEGI (Pan European Game Information) rating system can be a useful tool to help you decide what online games are appropriate for your child.

For more information on the PEGI system and other factors to consider before deciding what's suitable, read [Gaming: what's appropriate for your child](#)

Gaming is popular with both children and adults and can help to cure that lockdown boredom! If your child is gaming, you may have some questions about how to keep them safer. If so, check out - [gaming: what parents need to know](#).

For a guide on the apps, sites and games your child might enjoy, visit: [Net Aware](#).

Covid Cases Over The Easter Holiday

We have a responsibility to support Public Health with contact tracing for positive cases where a child or member of staff has spent any time in school in the 48 hours before the onset of symptoms. This means that now we have broken up for Easter and a child tests positive today or tomorrow, it is important that you inform us. We then have a duty to contact any identified close contacts and instruct them to self-isolate for 10 days. Please use the form on our website if your child receives a positive test result. If your child tests positive, but symptoms did not begin until Saturday 3rd April, you will still need to notify us and the household must isolate for 10 days from the first sign of symptoms, but we will not have to take any action for the rest of the school community.



You can find the online reporting form at: www.cotteridgeprimary.co.uk > Parents > Covid 19 Information and Home Learning > Covid 19 School Contact Forms > then click on the option for reporting a positive test result.