



COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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TTENDANCE

Whole school target is 97%

	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Attendance %	97%	96%	97%	98.3%	97.3%	98.1%	99%

Whole School Attendance w/c
15th July

97.5%

Attendance superstars
for this week

2CS 4T 5A 99.3%

As the academic year draws to an end, I would like to say a huge well done to all of the children at our school for their inspirational hard work, effort and character. We have well over four hundred children, from the age of three to eleven, and every one of them individually enhances and 'brightens' our school community. On behalf of all the staff; thank you children! It's a privilege and pleasure to have you with us at Cotteridge!

A special mention to all the children in Year 6, who are graduating today and who are more than ready for their move to new schools. I'm delighted to announce that in this year's SATS, 74% of children achieved the age related expectation threshold in all three subjects of Reading, Writing and Maths. The national average was 65% and so for the fourth year running, results at Cotteridge have been significantly higher than other schools in Birmingham and nationally. We were especially delighted to find out that 44% of our pupils achieved the higher 'Greater Depth' standard in the reading test. This is an extraordinary result compared to 28% of pupils across the country achieving the higher standard last year. Whatever their results, every single child in Year 6 has made brilliant progress this year and we're very proud of them all!

Last week the school netball team indeed achieved excellence! For many years Cotteridge has had a very successful team but we have never won the overall Birmingham championships. Last week this changed... The team beat Four Oaks Primary School in the final to be crowned the best primary school netball team in Birmingham. Amazing! A big well done to all the girls, and also to Mrs Smith, who coaches the team with such dedication and passion.

It was a proud moment on Tuesday evening to see boys and girls from across the Juniors, performing at the Symphony Hall. The grand setting is inspirational and it was brilliant to see the energy with which the choir performed. Some of our pupils even had the confidence to compere a section of the show. Well done to all of you!

Thank you to all parents for the support that you have given us over the year. You have wonderful children and our partnership with you is important and appreciated. Thank you! I'm especially grateful to members of the PTA who have volunteered their time to arrange events over the year. You've made a big difference to the school and it doesn't go unnoticed.

The school would not be what it is without the dedication of those who work here. I want to say thank you to all of our staff, who work so hard to give the children a brilliant education. We don't have any staff members leaving us over the summer and I think this reflects the positive team spirit that prevails across the school. It is important that children be taught in happy, joyful schools; and that's exactly what Cotteridge is.

In conclusion I wish all families a wonderful and happy summer holiday. Summer holidays provide precious childhood memories and so I hope all children make the most of every day to grow, thrive and love being alive! Happy summer everyone!

Mr. Leonard

Netball

On Friday 12th July 2019 we took part in the Birmingham School Games. We had several challenging matches that tested us as a team. All the hard work and top quality netball skills paid off with a well-deserved **1st Place Win**. Cotteridge is officially the best netball team in Birmingham. Each and every one of you were amazing and it's a memory I will treasure and never forget. Proudest netball coach ever! Mrs Smith



Awards

We had our netball presentation on Tuesday to end our successful year; winning every league, tournament and game. It was brilliant and we all thoroughly enjoyed it even though it was emotional.

Our awards went to:

Kara 6PE - Netball Player of the Year
Fatima 6G - The Best team Player
Emma 6G - Grown in Confidence
Halimah 6PE - The Best Defender
Neve 6G - The Most Improved Player



Term Dates for 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019

Mon 2nd Sep – Fri 25th Oct

Half Term: Mon 28th Oct – Fri 1st Nov

Mon 4th Nov – Fri 20th Dec

Spring Term 2020

Mon 6th Jan – Fri 14th Feb

Half Term: Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st Feb

Mon 24th Feb – Fri 3rd Apr

Summer Term 2020

Mon 20th Apr – Fri 22nd May

Half Term: Mon 25th May – Fri 29th May

Mon 1st Jun – Mon 20th Jul

Teacher Training Days

Monday 2nd September 2019

Thursday 28th November 2019

Friday 29th November 2019

Monday 24th February 2020

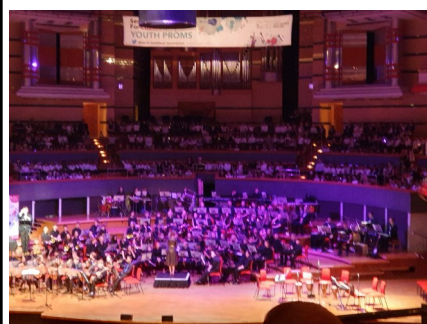
Monday 20th July 2020

Year 6 Leavers Production



Symphony Hall Concert

Well done to the children who performed in the Youth Proms on Thursday night at Symphony Hall. It was an amazing night and the children sounded fantastic. We were so proud of them all!



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