

# COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Issue 4

Friday 28th September 2018



## **TTENDANCE**

### Whole school target is 97%

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

Whole School Attendance
w/c 24th September

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It seems like Summer has returned over the past few days and Cotteridge has been as busy as ever. It has been lovely walking around school this week and seeing the children engaged in their learning. The Nursery and Reception children have settled in really well and are getting used to school routines. Reception have started their phonics and reading sessions and on Thursday, parents were invited in to school to learn about how early reading is taught here at Cotteridge. We hope those involved found these sessions useful.

On Monday, Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Bishop's Wood to kick start their topic on the Stone Age. Everybody had a wonderful day. Year 2's weekly swimming sessions are also proving a huge success. The children are really progressing well and their confidence is growing each week. Keep up the great work! Over in Year 4, the children have produced some excellent Roman mosaic art pieces as part of their 'Romans' topic while Year 6 have also been busy sketching and painting self portraits.

Looking forward to next week, we have some exciting new clubs starting across school including Chess, Dance and Ukulele Club. The children are all very excited!

Thank you to all who attended the Macmillan Coffee Morning this morning, it was a great turnout. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Darby.



Why do you think friends are important?

#### Right of the Week:

Article 11. Chosen by Year 4 UNICEF ambassadors Susan 4J and Tabitha 4T. Governments must do everything they can to stop children being taken out of their own country illegally or being prevented from returning.



Netball player of the week: Kiranjit 6PE

First Netball match: 19th November at Jervoise School



# Diary Dates:

#### October

Mon 1 4T Parent Workshop

Tue 2 4J Parent Workshop

Wed 3 6G Class Assembly 9.05am

1P Blakesley Hall Trip

Thu 4 1] Blakesley Hall Trip

Mon 8 Y3 & 4 Parents' Maths

Workshop 2pm

Fri 12 PTA Quiz Night

Mon 15 Parents' Evening

(excluding 5A)

Tue 16 5A Parents' Evening

Wed 17 Parents' Evening

#### **Term Dates 2018/19:**

#### Autumn Term

Mon 3rd Sept - Fri 26th Oct **Half Term:** Mon 29th - Fri 2nd Nov

Mon 5th Nov - Fri 21st Dec

# Teacher Training Days

Thursday 29th November 2018 Friday 30th November 2018

Monday 25th February 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

See the website for all dates

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Achieving Excellence

# Inspiring Dreams

## Year 3 Bishops Wood Visit

Year 3 went to Bishops Wood on Monday 24th September to kick-start their topic all about the stone age. They spent the day finding out what it was like to live thousands of years ago. They built their own shelter from mammoth skin and willow branches, hunted for their lunch, weaved walls, ground flour and made fishing nets. They also had a go at making fire with flint and steel. They realised that life was much harder back then and it would have been a struggle to survive!



When bringing in birthday treats, please ensure they are prepackaged and NUT Free. Thank you.



# PTA Update

- Bags2School please return bags to school by Monday 8th October. Please place in Solardome. Thank you.
- Quiz night Friday 12th October at 7pm. 4
   Tickets for £10 or £3 each. On sale from Monday 1st October in the Infant Playground. NB:
   Adults only event and BYO drinks and nibbles.

#### **Welcome Picnic**

Thank you to all those who came along and en-



joyed the fun at our EYFS Welcome Picnic last Friday. Cotteridge School is pleased to be able to support the B30 Foodbank-a project providing emergency food for local people in crisis

# foodbank 2018 Harvest Box Appeal

Can you help the B30 Foodbar this Harvest? Have a go at making your own Harvest Box!



You can help families and individuals in need by donating one of the following

baked bean snack bars squash biscuits steamed puddings cereal and porridge custard tinned or powder sugar tea fruit juice longer life hot chocolate tinned fish instant coffee tinned fruit tinned meat tinned potatoes pasta tinned puddings pasta sauces tinned spaghetti potato smash tinned tomatoes tinned vegetables

rice pudding

Did you know?

Locally, one in five children live in poverty and everyday parents skip meals to feed their children.

Information provided by the Trussell Trust

Each class will be decorating and filling a Harvest box and we are asking children to bring in one item from the list above.

UHT whole milk carrier bags

We understand that this time of the year can be an expensive time, so we are only asking for support from those families who feel that they are in a position to do so.

Can we ask ask that any donations are in school by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

For further information visit  $\underline{www.trusseltrust.org/foodbank-projects} \text{ or see Mrs Burnett or Mrs Andrews.}$