



COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Issue 30

Friday 14th May 2021

| Class | Nur | RB | RD | IH | 1P | 2B | 2S | 3A | 3B | 4B | 4T | 5PE | 5S | 6A | 6H | Whole School |
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| Attendance % | 95.7 | 92.3 | 93.8 | 91.0 | 98.6 | 95.9 | 97.3 | 96.0 | 98.0 | 94.5 | 95.2 | 96.7 | 95.3 | 92.1 | 97.5 | 95.3 |

From Friday 7th May to Thursday 13th May inclusive

Target: 97%

Despite the weather being a bit of a wash out this week, we have all had a fantastic time at Cotteridge. There is a buzz of excitement surrounding Diversity Week next week and the children are very excited about the various activities planned. It will be a chance for them to celebrate and reflect on this vitally important topic, so please ask your child lots of questions about their experiences next week! Don't forget, there will be a non uniform day next Friday where the theme is 'Express Yourself!'

Across the school this week, the children, as always, have been engaged in lots of great learning. In Key Stage One, the children have been trying so hard with their writing, producing wonderful letters in Year 1 and imaginative stories in Year 2. Their handwriting is really improving and it is lovely to see how much effort they are putting into their presentation. Reception children have also been producing some super sentences, while Nursery are working hard to learn their letter sounds in phonics. The Learning Den have also been working hard to master subtraction— well done!

Over in Key Stage Two, the children in Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed experimenting with clay techniques in Art to make their Mayan masks while Year 4 have been using the bar model to solve fraction problems.

We hope that all of our families celebrating Eid this week have had a wonderful time. Eid Mubarak to you all.

Have a lovely weekend everybody.

Mrs Darby.

Diary Dates

May 2021

- Mon 17 Diversity Week ALL WEEK
- Fri 21 Non-Uniform Day. Express Yourself
- 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
- Mon 14 Book Fair—all week

July 2021

- Wed 21 Last Day. School Closes for Summer Holiday

School Closed:

Friday 28th May: Teacher Training Day



Follow Cotteridge Primary School on Twitter where we will share and celebrate children's achievements, successes, events and school updates.

Foodbank Donations

We have been incredibly grateful for the donations that continue to come in for our Cotteridge School Foodbank. Thank you to everyone who has sent in donations of non-perishable food and non-food items and money.



Please could we ask for, in particular, donations of Breakfast Bars. As well as for our foodbank, these will be very useful to us to use in school. We offer these as snacks at break time to any children who have not had breakfast at home. So if you have any unopened boxes at home or would like to purchase some for us, we would be extremely grateful.

Please note: please do not send in any products which contain nuts as we do have some children with nut allergies.

Thank you!

Birmingham Grammar Schools

Applications Entry to Year 7 in September 2022
Parents/Carers of Year 5 pupils can now register their child for the optional grammar schools entrance test by applying online before 4pm on 30th June 2021. The test will take place on 11th September 2021.

To register, parents need to visit:
www.birminghamgrammarschools.org

PTA Corner

We are VERY happy to share with you that we raised an incredible £915.48 from our smarties tubes! We are so pleased! Thank you to everyone who took part. For anyone who would like to make a donation, our bank details are:

30-91-91
45655660
Ref: Smarties
Lloyds Bank



Also, we have had a fantastic response to the PTA survey, thank you so much. There is still time to complete if you haven't already, the survey will close next Friday and we will share results the from <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/59JRBD8>.

Diversity Week

This exciting event takes place next week. You should all have received an email with greater details of the activities taking place but can we remind you that next Friday it is an "Anything goes" Non-Uniform Day with children able to express themselves and their Diversity. There will also be an International Food tasting afternoon on that day.

Children are encouraged to bring some packaged food from around the world, but not home made (due to Covid restrictions). This will be shared amongst their bubble. Please ensure that no products contain nuts.

We look forward to sharing lots of photos of our Diversity week with you on Twitter next week.

Covid Advice **IMPORTANT**

If your child or **anyone** in your household has **any one of the following**:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

You should arrange for a coronavirus test for the person displaying symptoms and tell the school at your earliest opportunity. **Everyone** in your household must isolate until the person(s) with symptoms have received a negative test result. **This is also the case if you have had a test without experiencing any symptoms.** Please inform the school of your test results as soon as you have received them, whether negative or positive. Even in the event of a negative test result, children should not return to school if they feel unwell. If your child has a fever, they should not return to school until their temperature has been normal for 48 hours.

REMINDER: To report a child's absence due to Covid, please report this via the online form on our school website. There are two forms—one for reporting an absence due to displaying symptoms and awaiting a test/test results and one for reporting an absence due to receiving a positive test result. This new system will enable parents and carers to contact school quickly. This means that you can contact us at any time with this information, including when school is closed. When you submit a form, an alert will go to the senior leadership team who will seek advice and take the recommended actions.

