



COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Class	Nur	RB	RD	1H	1P	2B	2S	3A	3B	4B	4T	5PE	5S	6A	6H	Whole School
Attendance %	98.9	94.8	91.7	100	96.3	98.7	98.3	97.6	95.6	92.1	93.5	94.4	90.6	97.4	95.6	95.7

From Friday 18th June to Thursday 24th June inclusive

Target: 97%

In some respects, I can't believe I am writing the last June newsletter and we are nearly in July! However, in other ways, as this has been such a disrupted school year, I will not be upset when we get to the end of the term, so we can start to plan for next year, which will hopefully be more settled. After such a disrupted school year, that none of us could have envisioned in September, I am incredibly proud of all the children, parents and staff in the way that they have adapted to almost any situation that has arisen. The way that children have continued their learning journey, be it in school or at home at such short notice, is testament to their flexibility and resilience. The new ways of working and learning that children, parents and staff have developed since March 2020 are immense and continue to develop and adapt to the ever changing situation. After the government announcement about current restrictions remaining in place until at least 19th July, all current provision in and around school will remain in place until the end of the school year on Wednesday 21st July. We will be keeping in place staggered start and end of the school day times, to limit the number of parents accessing the site at any one time. We ask that parents continue to wear a face mask when they are on the school site. We also ask that parents maintain social distancing when waiting before or at the end of the school day. We will update parents in the last week of term, if we have been provided with further guidance that will apply in September. If we have not received updated guidance by the end of the school year, we will be in touch, via email, during the summer break to update you on start and end of school day times. **Please ensure that we have your up to date email address.**

Despite restrictions on the number of people gathering together remaining in place, we do want to try and make it possible for parents to attend our sports mornings this year. The sports mornings will take place at the park and we will be asking that adults keep socially distanced throughout the time they are watching their children. Infection rates in Birmingham are high in comparison to many areas in the rest of the country, so it is important that we all abide by government guidelines to try and prevent the spread of the virus. We are all looking forward to life returning to some sort of 'normality', but we must still be vigilant and careful with social interactions. Please remember the government advice – Hands, Face, Space, Fresh Air. Have a lovely weekend—*Jason Willetts.*

Diary Dates 2021

June 2021

- Tue 29 New Reception Parents Meeting 4pm
- Wed 30 New Nursery Parents Meeting 2pm

July 2021

- Thur 1 New Reception Parents Meeting 4pm
- Fri 2 KS1 Sports Day
- Wed 7 School Reports And In House Induction Day
- Fri 9 KS2 Sports Day
- Thur 15 Y6 Leaver's Production 6pm
- Tue 20 Y6 Graduation 2pm
- Wed 21 Last Day. School Closes for Summer Holiday. Usual Closing Time

September 2021

- Thur 2 Teacher Training Day
- Fri 3 Teacher Training Day
- Mon 6 School Re-opens To Pupils For Autumn Term 1

Teacher Training Days:

- Thursday 2nd September 2021
- Friday 3rd September 2021
- Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Monday 25th April 2022
- Monday 6th June 2022



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Year 6 Enterprise Day New Date



As you will be aware we had to postpone the Year 6 Enterprise Day due to the bad weather that was forecast. It will now take place on

Thursday 1st July. All

children will be timetabled to take part in activities organised by the Year 6 pupils to buy their wares etc., so please send your child to school with some money (no more than £3) so they can take part in the event. All proceeds will go towards funding the Year 6 leaver's disco.

Coats in School

Please can we remind all Parents to make sure their children come to school with a coat every day. Even though it is quite warm at the moment, the weather is proving to be quite changeable and on some days, it has been raining at play times and some children have not had coats with them. Although we don't send the children outside when it is raining heavily, we do allow them outside if it is just a fine drizzle. Thank you.



Class Photo Orders

Just a reminder that the last day for ordering class photos online is Tuesday 29th June. If you are ordering through school, please return your envelopes by Monday 28th June as they will be collected by Tempest Photography on Tuesday morning. Thank you.

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Sports Mornings

We will be holding Sports Day in separate year group bubbles which will be timetabled to take place on the field closest to school in Cotteridge Park.

KSI Sports morning will be on **Friday 2nd July**: Year 2 9:30 to 10:10am, Reception 10:20 to 10:50am, Year 1 11:10 to 11:40am.

KS2 Sports morning will be on **Friday 9th July**: Year 6 9:30 to 10:am, Year 5 10:10 to 10:40am, Year 4 11:00 to 11:30am, Year 3 11:40am to 12:10pm.

Please arrive **only just before** your child's session is due to start. If you are early, we ask that you keep well away from the Sports Day area. Please ensure you are wearing a mask given that there may be quite a lot of people there.

Please also dress your child in school PE kit: PE shoes/black shorts/white top/red jumper **before they come to school on sports day**. They do not need to bring a change of clothes and can stay in kit all day. The teachers will send their kit home beforehand.



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.

