



COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Issue 20

Friday 11th February 2022

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Attendance %	92.0	94.3	88.7	90.4	94.6	97.7	94.7	97.0	93.6	92.4	85.7	93.8	88.7	98.6	93.0

From Friday 4th to Thursday 10th February 2022 inclusive

Target: 97%

It has certainly felt like a busy week in school and I would like to start by thanking everyone, both staff and parents who took part in Parents' Evening. Constructive conversations about our children can only help move their learning forward.

Monday was a lovely day for me: it was my 50th birthday and I really enjoyed so many children (and parents) wishing me happy birthday! I had a super celebration and I am delighted to report I feel no older than I felt this time last week.

The start of the week also saw Turtles and Dolphins take a short trip to the Co-Op in Cotteridge so that they could choose and buy vegetables to make some soup. I tried the soup with Turtles class on Wednesday afternoon and their choice of vegetables made sure it was delicious. The children finished their taster sample and then completed a simple evaluation, which included lots of smiley faces!

Next Friday is Music Day and I am so pleased to announce that the magnificent City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) will be performing at our school in the afternoon. All children will have the chance to see them live and I just can't wait for this to happen. The CBSO are world famous so having them in school is a real treat. The children will also be investigating the music of Florence Price who was the first black female composer to have her work played by a major orchestra.

Looking forward to after half term, the CBSO will also be completing some sessions with Year 3 on Myths and Legends in March, which will help, enrich our music curriculum.

I wish all families a relaxing weekend.

Miss Lacey.

Diary Dates 2022

February 2022

- Mon 14 4T Start Swimming Lessons
- Fri 18 Music Day—CBSO visiting school and Last Day Before Half Term Holiday
- Mon 28 All Children Return to School—Spring Term 2

March 2022

- Thur 3 Yr4 Trip Botanical Gardens
- Wed 9 Yr5 Trip Commandery Centre, Worcestershire
- Thur 10 Yr2 Trip Twycross Zoo
- Mon 18 Yr5 Trip Open Centre, Derby
- Fri 25 Yr6 Trip Holdenby House

April 2022

- Mon 4 Yr3 Trip Open Centre, Derby and Yr1 Trip West Midlands' Safari Park
- Fri 8 Last Day Before Easter Holiday
- Tue 26 All Children Return to School—Summer Term 1

Teacher Training Days:

Monday 25th April 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

Friday 22nd July 2022 school closed for Queen's Jubilee additional bank holiday for schools



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Absences From School

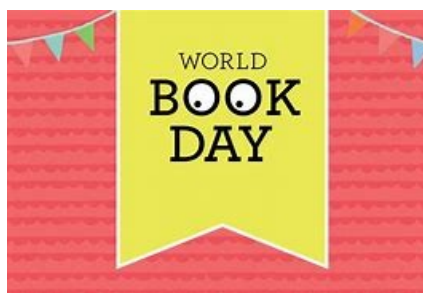
Please can we remind parents/ carers that they **MUST** contact the school office if their child is absent from school. You can call us on 0121 464 2865 and select option 1 to leave a message on the absence line. Please do this before 9am on the first day of absence. Parents/ carers must then continue to contact school every morning with an update until their child's return. The exception to this is if they are isolating due to Covid, in which case you will only need to inform us on their first day of absence. Thank you for your co-operation with this.



World Book Day

ADVANCE WARNING

This year, World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March, however, we will be celebrating it in school on **Friday 4th March 2022**. Children and staff can come into school dressed as their favourite character from a book (no donation necessary). This will be a really fun way to celebrate our love for reading and we can't wait to see everyone's outfits!



Music Day

Next Friday, we are incredibly lucky to be welcoming the World famous City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra into school where they will be performing throughout the afternoon for all the children. The CBSO are also offering a free performance called 'Myths and Legends' at Symphony Hall on 20th February for our families. If you are interested, please see the email we sent out to everyone on Thursday for how to obtain tickets.



PTA Corner

Reminder:

PTA AGM

Thurs 17th Feb 6.30pm

via Zoom

All welcome

email cotteridgepta@gmail.com for the link.



Netball

Netball Player of the Week: Mylie 6P!



Meet The Staff

- **Name:** Mr T Bacon
- **Role in School:** Teaching Assistant
- **Time at Cotteridge:** 4 months
- **Hobbies:** Running, football and eating
- **Favourite Book:** Think Like a Monk by Jay Shetty
- **Any Pets?:** No, but I dream of having a dog... one day
- **Favourite Place Ever Visited:** Edinburgh, wonderful history and lots of great places for food and drinks



Food Bank

We are still running our Food Bank to support our families. With so many families isolating last week, more parcels than ever have gone out. As a result, we are now running very low on stock. Please could we ask for any donations of non perishable food items, drinks, toiletries and household goods, so we can continue to support our families as much as possible.

Thank You very much to those who have sent something in already, as always, we have been amazed by your generosity!

