



# COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

Issue 22

Friday 4th March 2022

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Attendance %	91.7	96.7	95.0	97.3	96.7	97.5	94.6	99.2	97.5	99.2	91.7	97.0	94.2	97.9	96.1

From Monday 28th Feb to Thursday 3rd March 2022 inclusive

Target: 97%

After a restful break, it has been lovely to get back to school and see all of the children's smiling faces. I started this week with a Reflection Assembly all about the coming season of Lent, but we also thought about the people of Ukraine and the suffering and hardships they face at the moment. I am incredibly impressed and proud of the many comments I have received from children around the school sending messages of love and support. Our hearts really do go out to all of Ukraine at this time and we hold them in our thoughts and prayers.

This week on Thursday, Year 4 enjoyed a great trip to the Botanical Gardens as part of their Rainforests topic. The rain held off and we were very proud of the children's behaviour and maturity during their visit. A wonderful time was had by all. Meanwhile, Year 6 have been working hard this week, doing their practice SATS papers in preparation for their tests in May. They have worked very hard and shown a growth-mindset throughout—well done Year 6!

The children have been very excited about our World Book Day celebrations today and we have enjoyed seeing them in their costumes. A particular highlight of our World Book Day this year has been seeing the children collaborate together across school as part of our 'Class Swap.' The younger children had the opportunity to read and be read to by the older children. Whole school learning like this has been long missed over the last two years and we are excited about all of the opportunities we are now able to give the children for the remainder of the year. We also had a very enjoyable visit from author Sally Nicholls, who read extracts from her books, explained what being an author involved and answered children's questions. A big thank you to Miss Stalker for organising this year's activities.

Mrs Darby

### Diary Dates 2022

#### March 2022

- Thur 3 Yr4 Trip Botanical Gardens
- Fri 4 World Book Day at Cotteridge
- Wed 9 Yr5 Trip Commandery Centre, Worcestershire
- Thur 10 Yr2 Trip Twycross Zoo
- Mon 18 Red Nose Day—Non-School Uniform and Funny Hair
- 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
- Mon 25 Teacher Training Day
- Tue 26 All Children Return to School—Summer Term 1

#### May 2022

- Wed 4 Yr6 Residential Trip Depart
- Thur 5 Scheduled Election—School Closed For All Children
- Fri 6 Yr6 Residential Trip Return

#### 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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## Poem by Zara 6P

Here is a really beautiful poem written by Zara in Year 6 following a poetry lesson.



## Red Nose Day

For Red Nose Day, we will be asking the children and staff to come to school on **Friday 18th March** in non-school uniform and wearing funny hair—this could be anything from bright pink to spiky hair! Please could we ask for a suggested donation of £1.00.



## Meet The Staff

- **Name:** Mrs Smart
- **Role in School:** Business Manager
- **Time at Cotteridge:** 10 years
- **Hobbies:** Reading and walking my dog
- **Favourite Book:** Brooklyn by Colm Toibin because it is based on a girl from my hometown, Enniscorthy
- **Any Pets?:** A dog named Dudley
- **Favourite Place Ever Visited:** I lived in Germany for 7 years so I love it there, but I also loved Mauritius, which is where I got married



## Parking Outside School

We have again received an increase in complaints from local residents about parents/carers speeding, parking on yellow lines, parking on pavements and blocking driveways. Even more worrying, local residents have reported that they have been verbally abused when they have, quite rightly, brought the dangerous driving/parking to the attention of the offenders. As a result, we have reported this to the Police who will be carrying out regular observations and patrols in the local vicinity of school during drop off and pick up times. Anyone found to be parking or driving in an illegal or inconsiderate manner will be prosecuted. Therefore, please could we ask that everyone drives and parks considerately around our local area. It is not acceptable to put our children's lives at risk, nor is it acceptable to be abusive to our neighbours. Thank you.



## Privacy Notice

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## Mothers' Day Sessions In School

To celebrate Mothers' Day and the important role that they play in their children's lives, we would like to invite all mothers to a session in school where you will do some fun learning activities with your child. We understand that not all mothers will be able to make the sessions listed below so this invitation is also extended to significant women in your child's life. However, due to limited space, only one female adult per child can attend. For the same reason, please could we ask that you do not bring younger siblings who are not yet in school.

Day	Time	Infant Hall	Junior Hall	Own classrooms
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	9am to 9.45am	6A	6P	
	10.15am to 11.00am	3B	3A	
	11.00am to 11.45am			Nursery
	2.00pm to 2.45pm	2PE	2JP	
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9am to 9.45am	1EB	1SB	
	10.15am to 11.00am	4T	4C	
	10.45am to 11.30am			Turtles and Dolphins
	2.00pm to 2.45pm	5H	5S	

