



# COTTERIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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Friday 29th April 2022

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Attendance %	96.7	98.9	97.2	98.8	97.8	97.7	97.7	100	97.8	99.4	91.7	98.3	97.8	96.1	97.5

From Tuesday 26th to Thursday 28th April 2022 inclusive

Target: 97%

Welcome back after the Easter holidays! I hope that you had some quality time with your families and managed to get off the hamster wheel of life, if only for a few days.

The children and staff have come back very positively and settled back into the Cotteridge routines quickly and effectively.

Lots of quality work has been produced and it has been a pleasure seeing the children work sensibly, collaboratively and with ever maturing learning behaviours.

On Monday we welcomed 2 new members off staff to the Cotteridge team. The first is Mrs Lucy Hudson who has joined us on a permanent basis as Special Needs Co-Ordinator. Mrs Hudson is going to spend the next few weeks meeting all of our SEND children and where appropriate, their families.

The second is Mr Rose, who is a Teaching Assistant joining us on a temporary basis to support an individual child in Year 1. We hope that they both enjoy their time with us.

Next, may I draw your attention to the attendance figures at the top of the newsletter. For the first time, in a long time, it is looking very good. Now that hopefully we are over the worst of the Covid crisis, chickenpox and norovirus please can you do everything in your power to ensure that your child attends school every day and on time. It does frustrate me how many people are consistently late to school. I'm sure that they wouldn't be happy if the staff were late in and couldn't teach the children or deal with their questions or queries!

In addition can you please ensure that your child wears full uniform every day (no trainers) and doesn't wear nail polish or more jewellery than a pair of studded earrings. I do feel like a broken record at times, but still we have individuals who try and flaunt the school rules. We have high standards at Cotteridge and we want to maintain them!

Finally a huge thank you to everyone who has brought in sponsor money after the walkathon before Easter. We are starting to count it all and we will give you an update on the total amount raised next week.

I hope you all enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing everyone in full uniform, in school and on time on Tuesday.

Jason Willetts

## Diary Dates 2022

### May 2022

- Mon 2 Bank Holiday - School Closed
- Mon 9 Final 4T Swimming Lesson
- Fri 13 3B Trip Lapworth Museum
- Mon 16 Diversity Week - All Week. 4C Start Swimming. 3A Trip Lapworth Museum
- Wed 25 Yr6 Residential Trip Depart
- Fri 27 Yr6 Residential Trip Return. Queen's Jubilee Celebrations. Last Day Before Half Term.

### June 2022

- Mon 6 Teacher Training Day
- Tue 7 All Children Return To School - Summer Term 2
- Thur 9 Yr2 Trip Weston-Super-Mare
- Tue 14 Class Photos
- Wed 15 Yr5 Trip Space Centre. Reception Children Paediatric Eye Tests - School Nurses
- Fri 17 Yr3 Trip Cadbury World
- Thur 30 Yr4 Trip Tamworth Castle

### July 2022

- Wed 6 Reports Go Home

### 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



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

## Science Resources/Events

One of our parents, Dr Hamlett, has very kindly passed some information our way about some exciting and interesting Science stuff that is coming up...



### Discover Materials website

This website is for the Discover Materials group (a UK-wide group of UK Materials Science and Engineering departments) who aim to help enthuse students, and families, about Materials Science. The website has a range of resources aimed at schoolchildren (of all ages), teachers and families.

### Big Bang Fair (NEC, Birmingham) 23<sup>rd</sup> June

This is a national science fair held at the NEC and Dr Hamlett is coordinating a stand there. The event is primarily aimed at 11-14 year olds but he has been taking his daughter there since she was 3 and she has loved it. The event has booked out for school groups on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> June but the link for booking is here <https://www.thebigbang.org.uk/the-big-bang-fair/> and tickets are available for 4pm – 8pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

### COCOMAD 2<sup>nd</sup> July

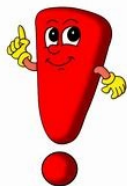
Dr Hamlett is coordinating the science field at COCOMAD and there will be loads of awesome science for everyone!

### Sci Fest (University of Wolverhampton) 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July

This is a free science fair at University of Wolverhampton. The school day is on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July and the family day is Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Discover Materials will have a stand there at which they will probably be breaking chocolate bars! Booking: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/scifest-uniconnect-schools-day-general-admission-tickets-290356783957>

## Pick Up Arrangements

Please could we remind everyone to contact the office if someone different is going to be collecting your child(ren) from school. We do not let children go with other adults if we have not had a message from someone with parental responsibility and will hold on to your child at the end of the day until we have managed to contact you to clarify. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this.



## SAVE THE DATE!



**YEAR 6 GRADUATION WILL BE ON THURSDAY 21ST JULY DURING THE AFTERNOON. EXACT TIMINGS TBC.**

## Meet The Staff

- **Name:** Mrs Lucy Hudson
- **Role in School:** SENDCo
- **Time at Cotteridge:** 5 days
- **Hobbies:** Walking my dog, visiting the seaside and eating out
- **Favourite Food:** Italian food
- **Any Pets?:** A black Labrador named Ruby and some fish
- **Piece of Advice:** Be a 'radiator' - be positive, friendly, kind and warm around others



## Cake Sale For Ukraine

A big well done to the Year 5 girls who raised money for Ukraine by having a cake sale on the last day of term. Moreover, these were not just any cakes; they



were cakes they had baked themselves in school and they were delicious! In total, they managed to raise £146.56! Well done!

## Netball

Netball Player of The Week: Ayda 4T!

Match: Fri 13th May, friendly vs St Laurence - away (Change of date from 18th May)

Upcoming Tournament: Mon 27th June - TBC

