



Newsletter



Summer term

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Dear Parents/Carers

It was a pleasure to see how much the children had learned during our Arts Week in last Friday's celebration assembly. The theme of 'connections' permeated through the collaborative and individual pieces of art work and creative projects.

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children ventured off to Gullivers for their residential trip this week, it was an exciting couple of days for them and they had a wonderful time. I am sure they slept well when they got home last night! A really big thank you to all the staff who accompanied them and ensured they were all safe and had a great experience.

We will be saying a fond farewell to Miss Hudson and Miss Barker at the end of term. We would like to thank them for their dedication and commitment to the children here at Cotton End and wish them every success in their new ventures. We will miss them immensely.

You will be receiving information regarding staffing in the next couple of weeks and you will find out who your child's new teacher is when you receive their end of year reports.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the sports days next week and hoping that the weather will hold out and be glorious days for us all.

Mrs Headland

Diary Dates

2nd & 3rd July- Year 6 Transition Days

2nd July-Sports Day parents from 1.05pm- Reception and Years 1 & 2

3rd July-Sports Day. Parents from 1.05pm- Years 3 -5

4th July-Movie Night

5th July-Preschool Sports Day 2pm for 2.30pm

8th July-Coffee Morning 9-10am
-New Parents Only

9th July- Year 6 Sports Day. Parents from 1.30pm

10th July-New Reception parents information evening 4.30pm

11th July-Transition Day

15th July-Coffee Morning 9-10am

17th July- Leavers Assembly 9.30am & 2pm (further information to follow)

18th July-Year 5 Concert (further information to follow)

19th July-Last Day of Term



Attendance

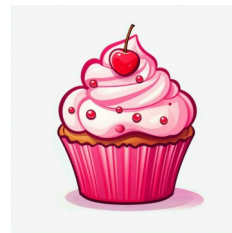
A big well done to Nightingales class this week with 99.3%

The whole school attendance is 95.3% but we are aiming for 98%



Fund Raising Events

It was Receptions turn to host a cake sale this week. They did themselves really proud and managed to sell lots of cakes. The total valued raised will be announced on our next newsletter. Well done year R and thank you to all parents and carers who supported this.



Warmer Weather

As the weather is getting warmer can we please remind you to send your child to school with a named sunhat, also please ensure you apply sun cream to your child before they come to school. There are some sun creams that can be purchased that last all day and we would encourage you where possible not to send bottles of sun cream in to school. Thank you.



Please be reminded, staff at Cotton End Forest School are not allowed to apply sun cream to any child.



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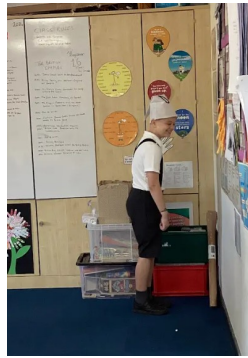
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Victorian Britain

Year 5's school day looked very different on Monday this week! The children participated in an immersive day, where they experienced school life in Victorian Britain. The teacher was very strict but they ended the day with some fun games! Everyone really enjoyed the day.



Year 1 Trip

Last week Year 1 visited Marston Vale Millennium Park and took part in a Forest School day. We had so much fun exploring a different site and found some very interesting things including a frog! We collected treasures and made a journey stick, created nature tiles and minibeasts from clay. The children represented our school proudly and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It would not have been possible without your contributions and the parent volunteers that joined us. Thank you for your continued support.



Mobile Library

If your child visits our mobile library on Wednesdays (Year 3-6 only), we will be asking children not to borrow any books on their final two visits prior to the Summer holidays. Children will be invited to return books only. If your child has any books outstanding, please ensure they are brought into school to be returned before the end of term.



Reminder—Holidays in term time

Any unauthorised holiday will trigger a fine in line with Bedford Borough Council guidelines. Should your child be absent from school for more than 3 or more consecutive days the school will need to be provided with medical evidence to support their absence.

From September there will be change's to the guidance for schools requesting fixed penalty notices. More information to follow.



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