



NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term

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25th October 2024



Dear Parents/Carers

It has been lovely to see so many parents in school over the last couple of weeks for consultations. We hope that you enjoyed meeting the teachers, finding out what your children have been learning and discussing how they are getting on. Harriers and Skylarks shared their learning confidently last week in assembly, well done to them for showcasing a small part of their learning to their parents.

As you know, we recently supported The Food Bank with your harvest donations, we received a lovely thank you from them saying that we had donated 136.40kg of food which will help to provide 324 meals. After half term, we will be launching our fundraising for The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, with poppies and other merchandise available for the children to purchase. We will send more information out after the break.

The children have really enjoyed our range of after school clubs that we are offering and the new cheerleading one for after half term seems to be popular too.

This week, we have welcomed representatives from the Local Authority into school to review our provision for and inclusion of pupils with SEND and received very positive feedback. The visitors complimented the children on their politeness and confidence when speaking to them. Well done everyone.

I hope you enjoy a restful week over half term with your families and look forward to seeing everyone back on **Monday 4th November** for the start of the second half of the Autumn term.

Kind regards
Mrs Headland

Term Dates

Autumn Half Term

Last day before half term - 25th October 24
Return to school - 4th November 24

Christmas Break

Last day of term - 20th December 24
Staff training day - 6th January 25
Return to school - 7th January 25

Spring Half Term

Last day before half term - 14th February 25
Return to school - 24th February 25

Easter Break

Last day of term - 4th April 25
Return to school - 22nd April 25
Bank holiday - 5th May 25

Summer Half Term

Last day before half term - 23rd May 25
Staff training day - 2nd June 25
Return to school - 3rd June 25

Summer Break

Last day of term 18th July 25



Attendance	W/C 14/10/24	W/C 21/10/24
Oak	91.3%	98.1%
Willow	89.4%	100%
Owl	94.8%	98.1%
Wagtail	99.2%	97.5%
Skylark	99.3%	98.0%
Woodpecker	95.9%	97.6%
Kingfisher	95.9%	95.0%
Nightingale	99.3%	95.4%
Eagle	94.1%	97.6%
Falcon	94.6%	99.2%
Osprey	98.5%	96.7%
Harrier	95.6%	92.2%
Kestrel	99.3%	98.3%

Well done to Skylarks Class from EYFS and KS1 last week with 99.3% and Nightingales & Kestrels from KS2 jointly with 99.3%. Also to Willows from EYFS and KS1 this week with 100% and Falcons from KS2 with 99.2%. The whole school is 96.2%

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Extra Curriculum

Football - Year 5-6
Mon 4th November - Mon 9th
December



Cheerleading Club - Year 2-4
Tues 5th November - Tues 10th
December



Basketball - Year 3-6
Wed 6th November - Wed 11th
December
3.30pm - 4.30pm



Dodgeball - Year 3-6
Thurs 7th November - Thurs 12th
December 3.30pm - 4.30pm



Jam Coding - Yr 3-6
Thurs 7th November - Thurs 12th December
3.35pm - 4.35pm

Jam Coding - Yr 1&2
Thurs 7th November - Thurs
12th December
3.35pm - 4.35pm



Website

For any dates, letters or information that you may have missed, make sure you head over to the school website to find them.

<http://cottonendforestschool.co.uk/>



Any Other Business

Uniform

Please could we ask you to check the uniform you have at home and ensure everything is labelled with your child's name. Also could you check that you don't have any items which may have accidentally come home that belong to somebody else—particularly from the younger children.



October Half Term Child Care

Bookings now being taken



DAWNUNTILDUK
CHILD CARE



Surplus Clothing

Faces Baby Bank have some surplus baby and children's clothes up to age 7. If you are in need of any baby or children's clothes please contact Mrs Chesters Lewis who can arrange for the clothes you require to be delivered to school.



School Lunches

The menu on school grid is now available for you to pre order up until the Christmas holidays. Please could we kindly remind all parents and carers to pre-order your child's dinner in advance, ideally half termly. The kitchen has noticed an increase in orders not being put through. If this continues this will result in you receiving a phone call and asking you to bring in a lunch for your child. Thank you for your support.



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