

# NEWSLETTER

Summer Term

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27th June 2025



Dear Parents and Carers

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Sports Days this week. We were fortunate to enjoy such beautiful weather, and the children all did brilliantly. Thank you for coming along to support them — it really means a lot.

The children have also been proudly sharing their wonderful work from Arts Week, which has been incredibly impressive. Well done to everyone involved!

Year 1 had a fantastic time on their trip to Marston Vale on Monday. They thoroughly enjoyed exploring the forest areas and creating their own Forest School wishes. A big well done to them all!

You may have noticed that our telephone message has recently changed. We now have an additional option — **Option 5** — if you wish to contact Mrs C, our Family Support Worker. If she is unavailable, please leave a message or email [keepintouch@cottonendforestschool.co.uk](mailto:keepintouch@cottonendforestschool.co.uk) and she will get back to you as soon as possible.

Finally, we are hoping to re-establish our PTFA (Parent, Teacher, and Friends Association). If you are interested in finding out more about getting involved, please come along to a short meeting with Mrs Russell and Mrs Sohanpal on **Wednesday 16th July** in the school hall at 3.45pm. We'd love to see you there!

## Ofsted Report - Thank You!

We were delighted to share our Ofsted report with you earlier this week. We are really pleased that it reflects our school's values and ethos. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to the Parent View survey—your feedback was invaluable.

We'd also like to thank our wonderful staff for their continued dedication and hard work, and of course, our amazing children, who truly make our school such a special place.

Kind regards

Mrs Headland

## Keep in Touch

If you need any support outside of school hours, please feel free to contact Mrs. C at

[keepintouch@cottonendforestschool.co.uk](mailto:keepintouch@cottonendforestschool.co.uk).

Or on 07565 355858.



## Term Dates



### Summer Break

Last day of term - 18th July 25  
Staff training day - 21st July 25

### Autumn Break

Staff training day - 1st September 25  
Return to school - 2nd September 25  
Last day before half term - 23rd October 25  
Teacher Training—24th October 2025  
Return to school - 3rd November 25

### Christmas Break

Last day before Christmas - 18th December 25  
Teacher Training—19th December 2025  
Return to school- 5th January 2026

### Spring Break

Last day before half term - 13th February 26  
Return to school - 23rd February 26  
Last day before Easter break - 27th March 26  
Return to school—14th April 26

Reminder—Any holidays taken in term time will trigger a fine in line with Bedford Borough Council guidelines.

Attendance	W/C 16/6/25	W/C 23/6/25
Oak	98.7%	96.8%
Willow	98.7%	93.7%
Owl	92.3%	95.4%
Wagtail	97.7%	99.2%
Skylark	96.6%	97.9%
Woodpecker	97.3%	93.4%
Kingfisher	94.3%	98.3%
Nightingale	91.7%	94.5%
Eagle	97.8%	94.7%
Falcon	92.5%	94.9%
Osprey	99.6%	94.8%
Harrier	89.2%	91.5%
Kestrel	98.3%	95.2%

Well done to Oak & Willow class last week from EYFS and KS1 with 98.7% and Osprey class from KS2 with 99.6%.

This week Wagtail class from EYFS and KS1 with 99.2% and Kingfisher class from KS2 with 98.3%. The whole school attendance is 95.2% But we are aiming for 96%.



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## Extra Curricular

Lego Club—Year R-6

Wed 4th June 25 -

Wed 9th July 25

Cricket & Tennis Club - Year 3-6

Wed 4th June 25 -

Wed 9th July 25

DT Club - Year R-6

Wed 4th June 25-

Wed 2nd July

Rounders Club—Year 3-6

Thurs 5th June 25 -

Thurs 10th July 25

Art Club - Year 3-6

Mon 9th June 25 - TBC



## Any Other Business

### Calendar Dates

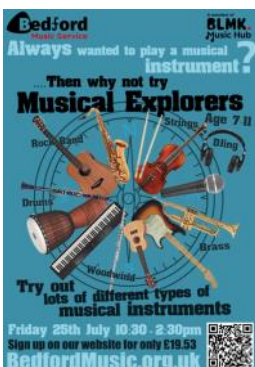
For any dates, letters or information that you may have missed, please make sure you head over to the school website at

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

You will also find a list of the academic term dates for your reference.

## Bedford Music Service

Bedford Music Service have been running Musical Explorers in the summer holidays for a few years now. It is a great opportunity for primary-aged children who love music to try out different instruments and musical equipment and learn about different styles of music in a fun and engaging way



## Little Princess Trust

Emilia Dalcy from Wagtails has chosen to donate her hair to the Little Princess Trust charity. If you would like to sponsor her, please contact Mum directly on maria@dal.cy - Thank you



## Any Other Business Continued:-

### Healthy Screen Use Talk



FREE online talk



### Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Screens are here to stay. What are the potential harms and how can we reduce them?

To book your place go to the PARENTS page (facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

## Victorian Day



## Wheelbarrow Trail



On Monday last week, Year 5 experienced a day in the life of the Victorian times.

## Dawn Until Dusk

From September 2025, Dawn Until Dusk wraparound care will operate under the Junior Adventures Group (JAG) name. They remain the same team, same trusted programs, and same commitment to care which you know and love — simply delivered under a new, nationally recognised name.



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