



# NEWSLETTER



Spring Term  
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6th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers



We've had a fantastic Book Week in school, filled with excitement, imagination, and a shared love of reading. It was wonderful to see so many children (and adults!) joining in the fun on World Book Day by coming to school in their pyjamas. Thank you for embracing the spirit of the day and helping to make it so memorable.

A huge thank you as well for supporting the Scholastic Book Fair. Your purchases directly help us to enhance and refresh our reading books across the school, ensuring our children continue to have access to engaging, high-quality texts.

I've particularly enjoyed reading with the children this week as part of our reading challenges, their enthusiasm has been a joy to see, thank you also to all the parents and grandparents who joined us for reading sessions.

We are also very grateful for all donations received for Spring Lamb Day. The children are already buzzing with anticipation as we prepare for our biggest fundraising event of the year. There will be plenty to enjoy on the day, including:

- Delicious cakes and a sizzling BBQ
- Face painting and tombolas
- Lots of exciting activities for all ages
- And of course... our beautiful lambs



## A Gentle Reminder About Appointments

Please can we remind families of the importance of arranging dentist, doctor, and other appointments outside of school hours wherever possible. Recently, we have had several requests to collect children early without any proof of an appointment. Going forward, early collection will only be authorised when evidence of the appointment is provided. This helps us maintain good attendance and minimise disruption to learning.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for being such an important part of our school community.



Mrs Headland

## Keep In Touch

If you need any support, have a safeguarding concern or need a confidential chat please feel free to contact Mrs. C on 01234 740100 - option 5  
[keepintouch@cottonendforestschool.co.uk](mailto:keepintouch@cottonendforestschool.co.uk).



## 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.



We aim to provide our children with opportunities to become confident, happy children valuing and respecting diversity and who are proud of their achievements.



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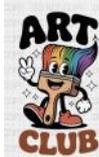


### Extra Curricular

Dodgeball—Year3-6  
Thursday 26th February 26  
Thursday 26th March 26



Art Club—Year 4-6  
Monday 2nd March 26  
Monday 23rd March 26



DT Club - Year 1 & 2  
Wednesday 4th March 26  
Wednesday 25th March 26



Lego Club—Year Reception-Year 6  
Thursday 26th February 26  
Thursday 26th March 26



### Any Other Business

#### 8th March 2026



Tickets are still available to purchase on the below link or you can pay on the day !

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/spring-lamb-day-tickets-1980168032891?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

If you have bought your tickets through ParentMail, there's no need to worry about physical tickets. Our entrance team will have a full list of names and ticket purchases, so simply check in when you arrive.

### Thank you

We would like to say a big thank you to all the families who contributed to our Lamb Day. Whether you donated items for the tombola or volunteered your time on Sunday, we truly appreciate your support.

Also, a big thank you to Ryan's Plumbing & Heating for their kind donation.



### Any Other Business Continued:-



#### **We're Hiring at Cotton End Forest School!**



Junior Adventures Group is recruiting for two exciting term-time roles at our wraparound care club.  
Breakfast & After-School Activity Leader  
Monday–Friday | Split shifts (7:30–9:00am & 3:00–6:00pm)  
A fun, active role creating games, sports, and creative activities for children.



Apply here:

<https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/join-our-team/job-application/?adid=661602>



Family-friendly hours, FREE CHILDCARE in our setting, paid training, and the chance to make a real difference.  
If you or anyone you know might be interested please reach out or apply today.



### Attendance

### W/c 2/3/2026

Oak	96.7%
Willow	98.7%
Owl	91.0%
Wagtail	91.0%
Skylark	95.0%
Woodpecker	99.0%
Kingfisher	97.7%
Nightingale	98.5%
Eagle	99.0%
Falcon	95.7%
Osprey	93.2%
Harrier	93.8%
Kestrel	100%
Kite	92.5%



This week Woodpeckers class from EYFS and KS1 with 99.0% and Kestrels class from KS2 with 100%. The whole school attendance is 96.1% however we are aiming for 98%.



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## Festival Dates

### Year 1&2 Events

Tues 24th March: Woodpeckers multisport

Weds 10th June: Owls multisport

### Year 3&4 Events

Weds 11th March: Nightingales multisports

Mon 27th April: Year 4 quadkids

### Year 5&6 Events

Weds 22nd April: Year 5 multisports (selected students)

Mon 8th June: Year 6 athletics (selected students)

Tues 16th June: 5/6 cricket tournament (selected students)

Mon 22nd June: 5/6 girls football (selected students)

## Current News

Please make sure children **DO NOT** come in wearing jewellery on their PE days.

New external rules state earrings must be removed and tape is not deemed safe in schools.

Please make sure your child is wearing their PE kit to school on their PE day.

