



Weekly Newsletter



Thursday 21st October 2021

Dear Parents,

As we approach the half-term holiday I would like to thank the school community for the support that has been offered to us since September.

There have been a number of challenges this half term with the on-going local rates of Covid-19 transmission in the local and regional area. However, we are pleased that we have been able to re-introduce many aspects of school that are more 'normal.'

Playtimes have seen children being able to play with friends in other classes, within the phase. Lunchtime service in the hall has fully resumed, assemblies in Key stages / phase groups have resumed and we have been able to hold face to face parent consultations.

We are aware that there have been bumps along the way and understand that there have been some frustrations, but together we have been able to limit transmission in school and overcome any teething issues.

At the moment we are limiting external adult contacts in school. This has meant that some of our normal practice, such as allowing pre-school siblings for school photos and parents being unable to be included in our weekly celebration assemblies. We have also asked parents to inform us when someone in the household has tested positive for Covid-19. If this is the case for you in future, please contact the school office where we will be able to advise you using the latest local guidance. Our priority has to be keeping as many children in school as possible.

The first phase of our school expansion is almost complete and we now have our studio ready for our use. There is still much more in store for us in this exciting development with two more fully refitted classrooms and a much larger library in phase 2. Phase 3 will see our staffroom facilities remodelled and finally phase 4 will be the addition of a state of the art MUGA (multi-use games area). There will ultimately be some disruption during the course of these developments but we are really pleased that these have been limited as much as possible.

We are really pleased in particular with our new early reading scheme (RWI) and the impact this is having on progress. We are also pleased to be able to inform you that reading books will be ready to go home after half term. More information on this will come from your teachers after half term.

In my role, I am honoured about what I get to see daily and I am always astounded by the creativity and quality of work that our pupils produce. We do try and share these via our twitter page regularly so if you haven't already, check out our page here: <https://twitter.com/GreenCoton>

Our PTFA scarecrow competition that started last year has also taken on a new audience this year when they were transported over to Planters Garden Centre to be part of their display. There is currently a competition taking place and you can vote for our school as follows:

Help us to win £200 prize for our school from Planters Garden Centre Scarecrow Competition!

Here's how to do it...

1. Go on to the Planters Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/563439383791482/posts/2355935981208471/?d=n>
2. Like scarecrow **number 7**, which is the Coton Green entry (the photograph with the collection of scarecrows)
3. Tell friends and family to like it too.

The closing date is Saturday 23rd October.

Finally, I would like to wish you a great half term break. Stay safe and well everyone!

Mr R Osborne
Headteacher

School Opens at 8.45 am
Registers close at 8.55 am
(Gates will be locked at this time and pupils arriving after this will be signed in late at the office) Lessons end at 3.20 pm



w/c Monday 1st November

Swimming Year 4

Mr Birch and Mrs Holbrook's Classes

Please do not forget your swimming kit!

A Gentle Reminder to Parents and Carers

In line with continued Covid restrictions Parents are kindly asked to please refrain from entering the school without prior arrangement with your child's class teacher. We thank you for your co-operation during continued restrictions.



For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you'll get a Grow Token to help our school get growing. Download the MyMorrisons app today to start collecting Grow Tokens. Select Coton Green Primary School to donate your tokens to us.

We will then be able to exchange the Grow Tokens for FREE gardening supplies.

Thank you!

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 22nd October

INSET day – School closed to pupils

Y6 Visit

Second Instalment for Y6 Residential due today

Monday 25th – Friday 29th October

School Closed – Half Term

Monday 1st November

School Opens to Pupils at 8.45 am

Swimming Y4

Mr Birch and Mrs Holbrook's Classes

Friday 5th November

Y6 Dance Club

Thursday 11th November

PTFA AGM

Wednesday 15th December

Xmas Dinner for Pupils – Menu to follow

Dear Parents/carers

We would like to ask for your help!

If you are thinking of having a clear out of toys before Christmas to make some space, Reception would like to ask for donations please! We would really like more small world toys to improve our provision for the children.

The sort of toys we would really like are

- small animals/farm/zoo/castle toys.
- dolls' house furniture and dolls.
- cars, car garage
- workbench, tools
- dolls and doll accessories

We would be very grateful for any donations, please bring them round to our classrooms or the school office.

Thank you so much, have a great half term break.

Mrs Evans and Miss Coton

PTFA NEWS!!

Date for your diary!

AGM November 11th at 2pm, to be held in the new school building.

Please come and join us, coffee and cakes will be available.

We are in desperate need of treasurer! If you are able to help us, please let us know ASAP. Legally we are not able to continue without a treasurer, if we do not have one by the time of the AGM we will have to fold. The children would miss out on so many events such as school discos, film nights, scarecrow competition, Christmas and summer fayre's, which in turn means we are not able to provide the extra resources for school.

KS2 (Y3-6)

Children in these year groups can bring in money to purchase snacks at morning break. For the moment KS1 will continue with their free fruit options until we can incorporate them at the same time.

We ask that you are patient with school as we try to open up this facility for all our children again.

Snacks and drinks are listed below and purchased with cash only please.

<u>Morning Break Sales</u>			
Toast	30p	Veggie Stick	30p
Cheese on Toast	60p	Jam on Toast	35p
Tea Cake	35p	Half Bagel (toasted)	30p
Half Cheese Bagel	45p	Oatcake with Cheese	60p
Fruit Pot/Veggie Pot	35p	Crumpet	35p
Veggie Sticks	35p	Scotch Pancakes	35p
Small Water	30p	Fresh Milk	25p
Flavoured Milk	60p	Orange Shot 85ml	40p
Orange & Apple Juice	35p	Hot Chocolate	50p

Please see below details of job vacancies at school. Application forms and further details are available on our website or the ATLP website.



**Coton Green Primary School
Kipling Rise
Tamworth
Staffordshire
B79 8LX**

Lunchtime Supervisor x 2

**Grade 3, Points 3-4 - £18,562 - £18,933
(actual salary £2,733.01 - £2,787.63)**

**6.25 hours per week, 12.15 pm - 1.30 pm, Monday – Friday term time only inclusive of 5 Inset Days
Required: As soon as possible Permanent**

The Arthur Terry Learning Partnership is a highly successful Multi Academy Trust (MAT) encompassing 5 secondary schools, 11 primary schools, a Teaching School Hub, and School Centred Initial Teacher Training provider. Our schools are based in North Birmingham, Tamworth, Lichfield, and North Warwickshire. A further secondary school and 2 primary schools will join ATLP during the next 12 months.

Coton Green Primary School are seeking to appoint two enthusiastic, caring and self-motivated Lunchtime Supervisors to ensure the safety and supervision of pupils during lunch time.

The role will involve:

- Preparing the dining room for lunch time, including setting out tables
- Supervising pupils in the Dining Room during lunch time, on the playground or in the classrooms
- Sweeping, cleaning and putting tables away and tidying up after lunch
- To collect and return pupils to their classes

Full training will be provided

This post is covered by Part 7 of the Immigration Act (2016) and therefore the ability to speak fluent English is an essential requirement of the role.

Closing Date: 9.00 am Monday 8th November 2021

Date of Interviews: Friday 12th November 2021

We continue to adhere to the government's advice and guidance for education settings, ensuring appropriate risk assessments are in place to allow for safe working practices.

If you require further information about the vacancy, please email Elizabeth Pursehouse on lizpursehouse@cotongreen.staffs.sch.uk.

Completed application forms should be emailed to recruitment@atlp.org.uk only. Candidates are encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible, as preliminary discussions may begin as soon as expressions of interest are received.



Please note we do not accept CV's, application will only be considered if received on an ATLP application form.

The Arthur Terry Learning Partnership (ATLP) is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Post subject to Enhanced Disclosure Barring Service Disclosure. The ATLP is an equal opportunities employer.

Please find a link to our safeguarding policy, which we would encourage you to read prior to applying to work in our organisation <https://atlp.org.uk/files/2021/03/ATLP-Overall-Safeguarding-Policy-2020-FINAL-3.pdf>

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TAMWORTH ACADEMY

2021/22

**TAMWORTH ACADEMY HAVE A FANTASTIC
OPPORTUNITY FOR GIRLS U7'S TO U11'S
(SCHOOL YEARS TWO TO SIX - SETEPMBER 2021).**

**ALL TRAINING SESSIONS TAKE PLACE AT
TAMWORTH FC'S ALL WEATHER 3G FA GRADE A
FACILITY.**

Tuesdays 5 - 6pm

chriswood@thelambs.co.uk

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**THE LAMB GROUND,
KETTLEBROOK ROAD,
TAMWORTH,
STAFFORDSHIRE,
B771AA.**

COACHES

**UEFA AND FA QUALIFIED
COACHING STAFF, WORKING
ALONGSIDE OUR
PHASE COACHES.**



*If you love singing,
come and join us*

Tamworth Voices Together Choir

Landau Forte – QEMS Sixth Form, B79 8AA

Join us at our next Saturday fortnightly rehearsals:

9 Oct, 13 & 27 Nov

& Christmas Concert 4 Dec.

**All school aged children welcome
FREE OF CHARGE!**

To register interest and for more details contact:
Tamworth Music Centre Manager, Alison McAusland
alison.mcausland@entrust-ed.co.uk

Coton Green Primary School Dates 2021-22

Autumn Term 2021

Inset day: Thursday 2 September (School Focus)

Inset day: Friday 3 September (School Focus)

Term starts: Monday 6 September

Inset day: Friday 22 October (School Focus)

Half Term: Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October

Inset day: Monday 29 November (ATLP Focus)

Term ends: Friday 17 December

Holiday: Monday 20 December – Monday 3 January

Spring Term 2022

Inset day: Tuesday 4 January (ATLP Focus)

Term starts: Wednesday 5 January

Inset day: Friday 18 February (ATLP Focus)

Half Term: Monday 21 February – Friday 25 February

Inset day: Friday 8 April (ATLP Focus)

Term ends: Friday 8 April

Holiday: Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 17 April

Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25 April

May Day: Monday 2 May

Half Term: Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

Inset day: Friday 1 July (School Focus)

Term ends: Friday 22 July 2022

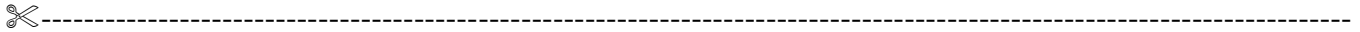
Holiday: Monday 25 July – Friday 2 September

*** Please remember school meals for KS2 now cost £2.35 per day ***

Please order your preferred meal choices using the menu below or collect one from your child's class.

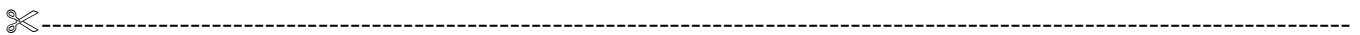
Can we ask parents in KS2 to please ensure that their children only order meals that they will be eating, as any meals ordered and not taken will still be charged by the kitchen.

Thank you for your co-operation



MAIN MENU

Name			Class		Week 3
<i>Monday</i>	Macaroni Cheese (v)	Veggie Sausage Mash with Gravy (v)	Jacket Potato with Assorted Fillings	Ham or Cheese Sandwich Cucumber Sticks Tray Bake	
<i>Tuesday</i>	Veggie Balls in a Tomato Sauce (v)	Garlicky Chicken Served with Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Assorted Fillings	Ham or Cheese Sandwich Carrot Sticks Tray Bake	
<i>Wednesday</i>	Roast Pork With Roast Potatoes, Vegetables and Gravy	Quorn Roast (v) With Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Jacket Potato with Assorted Fillings	Ham or Cheese Sandwich Cherry Tomatoes Tray Bake	
<i>Thursday</i>	Beef Burrito	Vegetable Lasagne	Jacket Potato with Assorted Fillings	Ham or Cheese Sandwich Cucumber Sticks Tray Bake	
<i>Friday</i>	Southern Fried Chicken Tasters and Chips	Soft Taco (V) and Chips	Jacket Potato with Assorted Fillings	Ham or Cheese Sandwich Carrot Sticks Tray Bake	
Subject to availability					



ALLERGY AWARE MENU

Name		Class		Week 3
<i>Monday</i>	SD Tomato Pasta With Plain Wedges (v)	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese		
<i>Tuesday</i>	Garlicky Chicken With Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese		
<i>Wednesday</i>	Roast Pork Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & SD Gravy	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese		
<i>Thursday</i>	SD Beef Burrito	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese		
<i>Friday</i>	SD Fish Fillet And Chips	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese		
Subject to availability				