



# Weekly Newsletter - 13/12/24

**A huge thank you to you all for signing up to our new My Child At School App (MCAS)**

**Anyone not already registered please go on MCAS Website or App and enter your email address and press forgotten or reset password.**

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**ParentPay is no longer used in school please DO NOT make any payments on this site.**

**Any credit on ParentPay will be moved over to MCAS**

**Thank you for your patience and understanding during this transition period.**

## ★ Attendance Superstars ★

W/C 02.12.24 - 06.12.24

Miss Wesley's Maple Class 98.64%

Mrs Holbrook's Willow Class 98.00%

### Pastoral Support

For pastoral support in school please message [pastoralsupport@cotongreen.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:pastoralsupport@cotongreen.staffs.sch.uk)



### Monday 16th December

Cello Lessons

Woodwind Lessons

Y5/6 Christmas Show 9.30am or 2.00pm

### Wednesday 18th December

Y3/4 Christmas Show 9.30am or 2.00pm

### Thursday 19th December

Y3 Violins

Y6 Ukelele

Violin Lessons

### Friday 20th December

EYFS/ KS1 Polar Express Day / Pyjama Day

KS2 Grinch Day or Christmas Day

Hot Chocolate Friday

**All clubs cancelled this week**



## Celebration Assembly Awards



### Chesnut Class

Mia C

### Maple Class

Scarlet S

### Rowan Class

Anantbeer S

### Beech Class

Tommy S

### Hazel Class

Noah D

### Cherry Class

Charlie J

### Hawthorn Class

Quinn S

### Willow Class

George M

### Ash Class

Arabella R

### Holly Class

Thomas K

### Sycamore Class

Sylvie - Rose L



# KS1

# POLAR EXPRESS DAY

20TH DECEMBER

Come to school in your pyjamas ready to  
enjoy a day filled with Polar Express  
activities!





# Are you team Christmas or team Grinch?

## Friday 20th December

**Team Grinch:** Come to school in green or something 'Grinchy'!

**Team Christmas:** Come to school in red or something 'Christmassy'!

Can't decide? Wear your pyjamas!



**KS2 will enjoy a day  
of grinch and  
Christmas activities!**







Christmas came early to Coton Green this week as Christmas Dinner was served in school. The children had a lovely time with crackers, hats and christmas music.

A big thank you to the kitchen for all their hard work.

Merry Christmas Everybody!







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# Sports Report

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## YEAR 5/6 INDOOR ATHLETICS

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On Tuesday, 11 Year 5/6 children went to Rawlett high school to participate in the indoor athletics competition. Events included: vertical jump, triple jump, long jump, obstacle relay, speed bounce, 4x1 lap relay, 6 lap relay paarfual, chest push, 1+1 lap relay and 2+2 relay.

Our whole team participated with great determination and resilience as they faced tough back to back events. Thank you to Mr Parker for taking us to this event.



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We can't wait to receive our Indoor Athletics sports strips so we can wear them with pride!

Well done to Georgia T who is already on her 3rd competitive sports strip of the year already!

Go team Coton Green!



# HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAYS!

Treat yourselves to an 'elf' or 'reindeer'  
hot chocolate after school!

When: 6th, 13th & 20th December!

Where: KS1 - Studio door. KS2 - Y3/4 door.

£2



Includes: cream, marshmallows,  
sprinkles and a flake/candy cane!



# TUCK SHOP



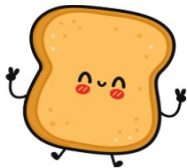
**Fruit bags £1**



**Mini Cheese 50p**



**Yogurts 50p**



**Toast 50p**



**Yogurt raisins 50p**

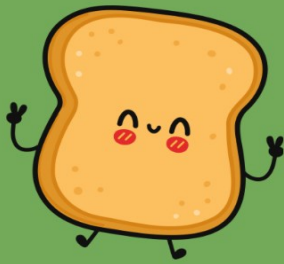


**Yo-yo Bears 50p**





# TUCK SHOP



Every Friday break time  
Year 3/4 door  
Cash only!

All funds raised go to fun  
enrichment activities!





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## **Coton Green Primary School Term Dates 2023/2024**

### **Term Dates 2024/2025**

#### **Autumn Term 2024**

**Term Ends: Friday 20 December 2024**

#### **Spring Term 2025**

- **Monday 6 January 2025 ATLP Training Day**
- **Term Starts: Tuesday 7 January 2025**
- **Half Term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2025**

**Term Ends: Friday 11 April 2025**

#### **Summer Term 2025**

- **ATLP Training Day - Monday 28 April 2025**
- **Term Starts: Tuesday 29 April 2025**
- **Monday 5 May 2025 - Bank Holiday**
- **ATLP Training Day – Friday 23 May 2025**
- **Half Term: Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May 2025**
- **ATLP Training Day – Friday 4 July 2025**
- **Term Ends: Friday 18 July 2025**

**ATLP Training Day - Monday 21 July 2025**

**Please Note no leave of absence will be granted for holiday and only very exceptional circumstances will**



### **Activities for Children during November and December**

Funclub: Tamworth Castle Grounds – Thursdays 6.30pm – 8.00pm. Last Youth club of 2024 is Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Free Entry. 10 – 15-year-olds. [www.funclub.co.uk](http://www.funclub.co.uk)

Tamworth Boxing Club: Monday and Wednesdays 5pm – 6pm. Last session of 2024 is Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. £5 per session. 12 – 15-year-olds. Other age group sessions are available.

[www.tamworthboxing.com](http://www.tamworthboxing.com)

Tennis: Beacon Park Lichfield: Sunday 2pm-3pm all ages and abilities welcome. This a free session.

[www.clubspark.lta.org.uk](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk)

Lego Group: Glasgote Library - Saturdays 10am – 11am. This is free of charge and for all ages.

Children's gardening project: Fazeley, Tamworth - Saturday 10am-2pm. The community garden provides a safe and nurturing environment for kids to explore the joys of planting, nurturing, and harvesting their own vegetables. For children aged 8 –18 years. The is ongoing through to the New Year. This is free. For more information email: [selfsufficientchildren@gmail.com](mailto:selfsufficientchildren@gmail.com)

Jump Xtreme: Wilnecote - For children of all ages. Open daily from 10am – 6pm.

[www.jumpxtreme.com](http://www.jumpxtreme.com)

Scouts: Tamworth -10 –14-year-olds and Explorer Scouts 14 – 18 years. There is a cost to this, and sessions times are different according to age. For more information go to

[www.tamworthscouts.org.uk](http://www.tamworthscouts.org.uk)





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Tamworth Boys Brigade: Tamworth Baptist Church, Belgrave. 5 – 19 years old. Every Tuesday evening between 5pm and 9pm dependant on age. £5 per session with the first session free. This is at Tamworth Baptist church in Belgrave. For more information go to [www.tamworthbaptistchurch.org.uk](http://www.tamworthbaptistchurch.org.uk)

Tamworth Girls Brigade: Tamworth Baptist Church, Belgrave. 5 – 19 years old. Every Wednesday evening between 5pm and 9pm dependant on age. £5 per session with the first session free. This is at Tamworth Baptist church in Belgrave. For more information go to [www.tamworthbaptistchurch.org.uk](http://www.tamworthbaptistchurch.org.uk)

Rock and Bowl – Namco Tamworth - £10.00 per person for 2 games of bowling, every Sunday evening. Monday – Thursday games are £6 per person. For more information go to [www.namcotamworth.com](http://www.namcotamworth.com)

Parkrun – Castle grounds – Saturday morning at 9am. Free entry. All ages and abilities are welcome.

Tamworth Gymnastics club – Lichfield industrial estate – Saturday 3.15pm – 4.15pm. This is a boys session only and there is a fee for this. For more information email [membership@tamworth-gymnastics.com](mailto:membership@tamworth-gymnastics.com)

Tamworth Gymnastics club – Lichfield industrial estate – Tuesday – 6.30pm – 8.15pm. This is a girls session only and there is a fee for this. For more information email [membership@tamworth-gymnastics.com](mailto:membership@tamworth-gymnastics.com)

The Snowdome – Flume and Floats sessions – every Saturday – 12pm – 4pm. [There is a fee for this. To book email: \[guestservices@snowdome.co.uk\]\(mailto:guestservices@snowdome.co.uk\)](#)

The Snowdome – Indoor rock climbing – every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday – 5.40pm. There is a fee for this. To book email: [guestservices@snowdome.co.uk](mailto:guestservices@snowdome.co.uk)

The Snowdome – Ice skating sessions – every Friday – 6pm – 8pm. There is a fee for this. To book email: There is a fee for this. To book email: [guestservices@snowdome.co.uk](mailto:guestservices@snowdome.co.uk)

## **On e o f f e v e n t s i n d a t e o r d e r:**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Christmas Light switch on – Free event 12 noon – 5.30pm. Lots of activities: Bert & Gerts festive market, Barker's Family Fun Fair, Food & drink stalls, Tamworth Round Table's Santa sleigh, Live entertainment stage including: The D-Day Juniors and Tamworth Voices Choir, Tamworth Pantomime Company, The Santa Show Elves, Rory & The Revellers (Youth Battle of the Bands runners-up) – Lights switch on at 5pm.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2pm – 4pm Wreath making workshop at Sacred Heart. Aged 16 years and over. Booking is essential

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Tamworth Castle – 1pm – textile wreath making. There is a £20 fee for this, all materials are supplied with a complimentary mince pie and drink. To book go to [www.tamworthcastle.co.uk](http://www.tamworthcastle.co.uk)



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Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Antler fun run – 10am at the Castle Grounds. All ages welcome, fancy dress, reindeer antlers and Santa hats are encouraged.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Berts and Gerts Christmas market 10am – 5pm – Ankerside shopping centre.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Gartmore riding school: 30 minute session for beginners aged 5-19 years. Riding boots and hats are supplied. Call the booking team to book/express an interest in an activity, cancel an activity or ask any questions: 0300 111 8007 (option 2, then option 3).

The Wildlife Trust Tamworth: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Wild skills 10:30am – 12:30pm SEND aged 6 – 19 years + family members Dosthill Park, Blackwood Road, Dosthill, Tamworth, B77 1LJ

\*Available to all Staffordshire families\* \*Bookings close 18.12.24 at 12-noon\*

The Wildlife Trust Tamworth: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December Wooden Reindeer Workshop 10:30am – 12:30pm SEND aged 6 – 19 years + family members Dosthill Park, Blackwood Road, Dosthill, Tamworth, B77 1LJ \*Available to all Staffordshire families\* \*Bookings close 19.12.24 at 12-noon\*

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Santa Paws - different time allocations throughout the day. Children are encouraged to take their family dog with their parents to get a gift from Santa for their pets.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Santa's in the building! – Ankerside shopping centre 11am – 4pm. Visit Santa in his grotto, for children of all ages.

Tamworth Assembly Rooms:

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Elf movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Polar Express Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 4pm, film starts at 5pm. Tickets are £5 each.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December – A Muppets Christmas Carol Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December – Despicable Me 4 Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each.

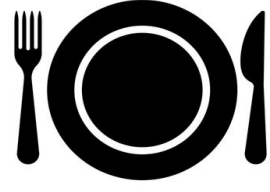
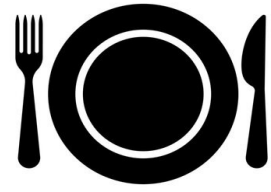
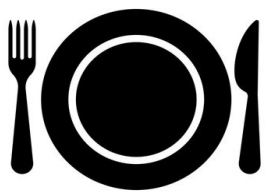
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December – Deadpool and Wolverine Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each. For 15 years and over.





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## Relish Food Ordering System

<https://atlp.relishops.com>

**Helpline: Phone: 0330 024 0016**

Thank you to all parents who have been ordering their children's meals through Relish

The kitchen have asked that when you are ordering Sandwich and Jacket Potato options that you specify which filling you would like.

Also if you could make sure that you scroll down and also order your child's Pudding choice at the same time for each day.

Remember you can order for the day, week or term in advance.  
Please cancel any orders made if your child will be absent for lunch.

Cut off for ordering is midnight the previous day  
E.g Sunday night Midnight for Monday meal order.

Please make sure your dinner account is in credit so that the kitchen can view your orders.

Children from Y3 upwards will need to pay for meals at a cost of £2.70 per meal unless in receipt of Free school Meals

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**Please pay for all meals on MCAS - My Child At School App**

**ParentPay is no longer in use.**

**Thank you for all your support.**

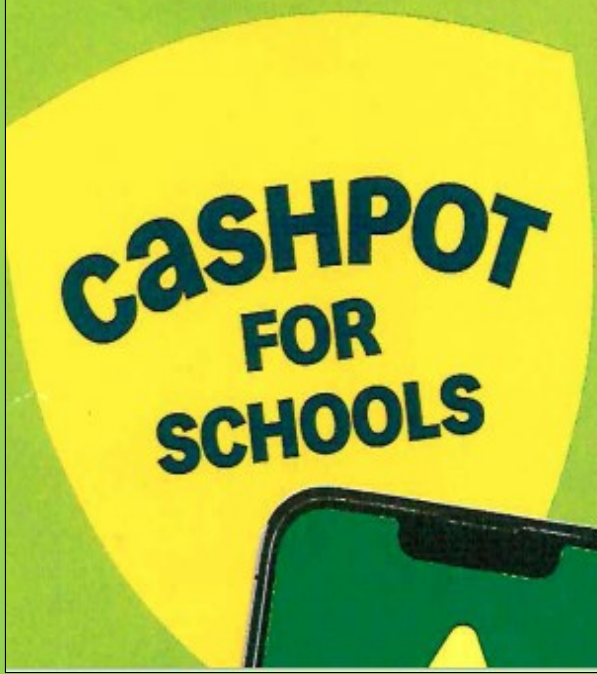


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app and opt-in today







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- 1** Download the Asda Rewards app and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools.
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## Our Blossom Groups

A SAFE SPACE FOR GIRLS TO BUILD FRIENDSHIPS, CONFIDENCE,  
SELF-ESTEEM AND WELLBEING!



- *Primary Blossom (school years 4-6)*

**Mondays 4.30pm-5.45pm | Chester Road Baptist Church B73 5HG**

**Wednesdays 6.15pm-7.30pm | St. Peters Church B72 1JJ**

- *Primary Blossom Tamworth (school years 4-6)*

**Tuesday 5.30-7pm | Landau Forte Academy Amington. Woodland Road. Amington. B77 4FF**

- *Secondary Blossom (school years 7-8)*

**Monday 6pm-7.15pm | Sutton Baptist Church, Trinity Hill, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1TA.**

- *Blossom Bloomers (school year 9+)*

**Tuesdays 6.30pm-8pm | Sutton Baptist Church, Trinity Hill, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1TA.**





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## Attendance

**Our school attendance target is 96%**

### **The School Day**

A reminder that the school day starts at 8.50am and the registers close at 8.55am. The school doors are open at 8.45am to allow the children to get in with plenty of time to be settled. Once the registers have closed then your child is marked absent and this will affect their overall attendance. The school day

Finishes at 3.15pm for EYFS 3.20pm for KS1 and 3.25pm for KS2.

### ***Please note if your child is late then this will count as an absence***

The table below demonstrates how much school children miss if they are absent, and it is surprising how this adds up. We are fully aware that the circumstances around illnesses that children have picked up are unavoidable for the majority of absences. The aim of this initiative is the positive promotion of attendance for all.

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is....	over 13 years schooling
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Over 8 years

### ***Why does attendance matter?***

Statistics show that pupils with good attendance have higher attainment in school and studies show that children with attendance above 96% make better progress socially and academically. With the focus and development on the curriculum that has taken place at school, children who are absent will have gaps in their sequential knowledge. For our younger children, both attendance and punctuality are extremely important as they go straight into their phonics groups after the register has been taken.

### ***Working Together***

We will be working with you to keep you updated on your child's attendance by sending out letters at key points to inform you of your child's attendance should it go below 90%. If this is the case, we'd like to invite you in to find ways to work together to support your child's attendance.



### BE SMART ONLINE



# S

### SAFE

Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.



# M

### MEET

Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

THINK UK KNOW

# A

### ACCEPTING

Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.



# R

### RELIABLE

You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.



# T

### TELL

Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline - 0800 11 11 or [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)



### BE SMART WITH A HEART

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

