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# Weekly Newsletter 9th September 2019

#### Dear 'Learning Family',

I was delighted to see so many smiling faces on Wednesday for the return to school. The children looked so smart in their uniforms and genuinely pleased to be back, excited to see their friends and new teachers and classrooms. Whilst walking around school Wednesday morning, I was so impressed with the way children had settled straight back into work and routine of school and were enjoying their learning. A special mention to our reception children too who have joined us this week. They have been brilliant and so confident.

The staff had returned on Monday and had the opportunity to complete some excellent training through our prospective partners at Arthur Terry Learning Partnership and we will be working closely with them whilst our conversion to academy status is being confirmed. This gave us an opportunity to learn about curriculum development from the latest research and time to plan with colleagues from other schools so that our children get the very best curriculum we can offer.

On Tuesday the staff continued to work on fine tuning these developments and ensuring that our school priorities for this this year are in place from day one:

- Developing a knowledge-engaged curriculum where key learning is well-structured and revisited; so that it is learned, retained and applied in different contexts.
- That children have access to a broad curriculum that is well-resourced and gives them the knowledge, skills and understanding they need.
- Develop a real love of reading, so that children read as a choice and get lost in books.
- Children are taught how to keep safe, healthy and well.

Developing a real love of reading is a real challenge with so many distractions such as TV streaming and computer games for children these days. What we want is to change attitudes so that children choose to 'get lost' in a book. They choose to read for pleasure. We see this as a huge priority for us and I am sure you will support us in our quest to help children get to the stage where they choose to read as a pastime.

Whilst keeping the school day the same, we have taken a more flexible approach to our afternoon break times. From discussion about curriculum delivery – our teachers (and pupils) fed back that there is often frustration that afternoon lessons were often interrupted by this break and that having the flexibility to choose the timing and length of break, depending on the lesson would be more beneficial for all concerned. This is much the same way that our EYFS work and we have decided to follow this model this year.

As you may be aware, over the Summer the Local Authority released the planning application for the extension of the school. This is very exciting for us and we feel the addition of extra classrooms will enable a two form entry intake from September 2021 - with demand in the immediate local area already there for places at Coton Green. Full details can be found on Staffordshire County Council's planning website:

https://apps2.staffordshire.gov.uk/SCC/CPLand/Search.aspx

Here is to an exciting and productive 2019-20 academic year!

Mr Osborne Headteacher

#### **School Dinners**

A reminder that all children who have moved into Year 3 will now need to pay for their school dinners which are priced at £2.25 (please pay ParentPay).

#### **NOTICE FOR PARENTS / CARERS**



School is open to pupils from 8.50am for early work.

We cannot be held responsible for children being left unsupervised on the playground before this time.

Pupils are expected to be in class by 8.50am so they can start their learning briskly. Register is taken at 9.00am prompt.



w/c Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Swimming Year 4

Please do not forget your swimming kit!

#### **REMINDER**

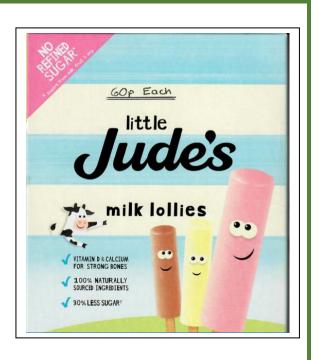
It is school policy that dogs are not allowed on school premises at any time.

This includes leaving dogs unattended at school entrances.

The safety of all in our learning family is our number one priority.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Morning Break Sales				
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 Po	ruit Pot/Veggie Pot 35p Crumpe		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	



### School uniform for sale

Good quality used uniform. Come along and have a look.

#### **Price List**

<b>Sweat Shirts</b>	£2.00
<b>Polo Shirts</b>	£1.00
Cardigans	£2.00
Dresses	£2.00
Trousers	£1.00



#### Coton Green Primary School – School Terms and Holiday Dates 2019/2020

#### **Autumn Term 2019**

**Inset Day 1:** Monday 2 September (Staff Only)

**Inset Day 2:** Tuesday 3 September (Staff Only)

Term Starts: Wednesday 4th September

**Inset Day 3:** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October (Staff Only)

Holiday: Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November

Term ends: Friday 20 December

Holiday: Monday 23 December - Friday 3 January

**Spring Term 2020** 

Inset Day 4: Monday 6 January (Staff Only)

Term Starts: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Half term: Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Term ends: Friday 3 April

Holiday: Monday 6 April - Friday 17 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 12 April

Summer Term 2020

Term starts: Monday 20 April

May Day: Friday 8th May

Half term: Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May

Inset Day 5: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July (Staff Only)

Holiday: Tuesday 21 July - Monday 31 August

Staff Total: 195 days Pupil Total: (pupils are required to attend for 190 days)

(Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 is already fixed as an Inset day and the other four days are to be identified by schools. Coton Green Primary have worked with other schools to try to align our Inset days where possible)



# We're collecting Team GB stickers with Aldi's Kit for Schools.

Help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win

£20,000!

Find out more and get stuck in at getseteatfresh.co.uk/kitforschools







#### **Coton Green Kids' Zone**

## Monday to Friday 8.00 am - 8.45 am and 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm

If you wish to arrange a long term booking in advance, please call in to the school office

Breakfast Club £3.25 per day
 After School Club £7.00 per day
 Both (wrap around care) £10.00 per day
 Sibling rate for wrap around care £9.00 per day

Please complete the booking form and send in to the school office the week before do avoid disappointment.

#### Payment via ParentPay please.

Booking forms are available from either the school office or Play Leader

#### **Lunch Reminder**

Please complete your menu choice for the week on a Monday morning to avoid disappointment.

Thank you

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Week Commencing 9th September 2019			Week 1		
Child's Name:		Class:			
Monday	Tomato & Mozzarella Pizza with Jacket wedges, Broccoli and Sweetcorn Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Chinese Style Veggie Noodles With Broccoli and Sweetcorn Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
Tuesday	Chicken & Potato Pie With Green Beans and Mediterranean Vegetables Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Veggie Pasta Bolognaise With Green Beans and Mediterranean Vegetables Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
Wednesday	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Baked Beans and Cheese Wrap With Roast Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
Thursday	BBQ Beef Meatballs With Wholegrain Rice, Sweetcorn and Roasted Seasonal Vegetables . Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) BBQ Sweetcorn Stack (Layered Tortilla Bake) Wholegrain Rice, Sweetcorn and Roasted Seasonal Vegetables . Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
Fríday	Golden Cod Fish Fillet Fingers & Chips, Peas Carrots & Baked Beans Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Vegetarian Hotdog with Chips, Peas, Carrots & Baked Beans Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	