



21st December 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy end to a great term here at Coton Green!

Firstly, I am delighted with our new Reception cohort who have settled in so well to the Coton Green Learning Family since September. This was highlighted with a superb Christmas performance last week where they performed with such confidence to a fantastic audience. They were so good and it was the perfect kick off to a series of festive events in school. This was followed by the KS2 performance at the Coton Centre and the KS1 performance at school this week. These performances again were fantastic and the children performed with such confidence and talent. The audience's comments at the end of the performances really do fill us with pride. I would like to thank the teaching team here at Coton Green who work so hard to ensure these productions are such a success.

Congratulations also to the St George team who won this term's House Points reward. On Monday afternoon, they joined myself, Mrs Pursehouse and Miss Palsler for a fun-packed afternoon of crafts and party games in the hall. This was organised brilliantly by the house captains, with help also from Mrs Tanner. It was a great afternoon and to see the children from different year groups enjoying themselves together was such a pleasure. I can see why St George's are such a strong team but I'm sure next term they will be pushed hard by the other houses. The house captains have been brilliant all term, collecting the house points, welcoming parents at Headteacher's Assembly and also representing the school when we have welcomed visitors.

The school choir also performed at Evergreen Care Home on Friday morning. We have changed our venue from local shops this year as we wanted to serve the local community and it was such a delight to see the children and the elderly residents take such joy from the mini-concert. Thank you to the Songbirds and to Mrs Hall for organising such a heart-warming event. It was also so great to see the children all in their Christmas jumpers last Friday and your donations will be forwarded on to Save the Children. The school community always supports our charity events so well and it was so heart-warming again to see almost 100 lovingly-packed 'Christmas Shoeboxes' from Coton Green that will be opened around the world by children on December 25th. We also raised a fantastic amount for Children in Need. Thank you for your generosity.

As always, the Coton Green Learning Family has contributed to so many events since September. Our sports teams have had a particularly successful term, competing at local events and in many cases qualifying for regional and even national finals. Our PTFA has again run a series of very successful and enjoyable events for the children here. The disco, film nights and Christmas Fayre have been really enjoyable events and the PTFA continue to support the school in paying for those extras that otherwise we wouldn't have.

Sadly, we will however, be losing a key member of the learning family this Christmas. Mrs Laight, our Senior cook, has decided to take retirement to spend more time with her family. I would like to place on record our thanks for her hard work and dedication for over 20 years in our school kitchen. She has such high standards and has worked so hard to deliver food of high quality for the children here at Coton Green. She will be sorely missed and all at Coton Green would like to wish her a long and happy retirement.

Finally, in assembly last week I had to take an unexpected call and it was from none other than Father Christmas himself - checking to see if there are any late alterations to be made to his 'Naughty and Nice' lists. I had to call him back and re-arrange a call for this weekend. I will of course need the children to promise to be extra good for the final few days before Christmas, assist parents by helping out around the house and to go to bed on time, especially on Christmas Eve, before I can confirm my final recommendations!

I would like to wish each and every one of our Learning Family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr R Osborne



Class of the Week

11th – 14th December 2018

Mr Birch's Class – 98.00%

(Whole school attendance for the week: 95.85%)

(Whole School current attendance: 96.69%)

(Target 97%)

Upcoming Dates

JANUARY

Monday 7th January

School opens for Spring term @ 8.50 am
Swimming – Year 5

Tuesday 15th

Closing date for Admission to Primary Schools

Thursday 24th

6.30 pm ATLP Consultation meeting for Parents

EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

	Lunchtime	Afterschool
Monday		
Tuesday	Cross Country	
Wednesday	Football	
Thursday	Netball Singing Club Y5/6	
Friday	Singing Club Cross Country	

Christmas Jumper Day

Everyone looked fantastic in their jumpers!

Thank you once again for your support and kind donations for 'Save the Children'.

We raised £186.34

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 see the Kids' Zone team

- ❖ 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 or direct to the Kids' Zone club the week before to avoid disappointment.

Payment via ParentPay please.

Booking forms are available from either the school office or Kids' Zone team



BLAST OFF!!



Think **YOU** can whack it like these guys and gals? Then come and join us at **Tamworth Cricket Juniors**. Indoor training starts **January 2019** - new junior boys and girls welcome! Contact us at juniors@tamworthcc.co.uk for more details.



Training will be held at:
Landau Forte Academy, QEMS,
B79 8AH.

Starts Monday 14th January
for 12 weeks. Cost £50



Coton Green Primary School – School Terms and Holiday Dates 2018/2019

Autumn Term 2018

Staff: Monday 3 September **Inset Day:1**

Pupils: Tuesday 4 September

Staff: Friday 26th October **Inset Day: 2**

Holiday: Monday 29 October - Friday 2 November

Staff: Monday 5th November **Inset Day: 3**

Term ends: Friday 21 December

Holiday: Monday 24 December - Friday 4 January

Spring Term 2019

Term starts: Monday 7 January

Half term: Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February

Term ends: Friday 12 April

Holiday: Monday 15 April - Friday 26 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 21 April

Summer Term 2019

Term starts: Monday 29 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Half term: Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May

Term ends: Monday 22 July **Inset Day: 4**

Holiday: Tuesday 23 July - Friday 30 August

There is 1 other Inset day to be confirmed.

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

(Monday 3rd September 2018 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 and align our Inset days where possible).

Food Allergies

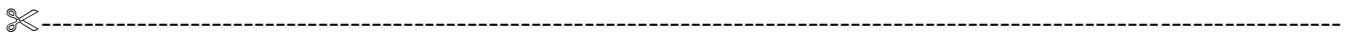
If your child has a food allergy, please collect a 'Chartwells Special Diet Request Form' from the school office.

Morning Break Sales

Toast	20p	American Pancakes	35p
Cheese on Toast	50p	Jam on Toast	30p
Tea Cake	35p	Half Bagel (toasted)	30p
Half Cheese Bagel	45p	Oatcake with Cheese	60p
Fruit Pot	30p	Crumpet with honey	30p
Veggie Sticks	25p		

500ml Water	35p	Fresh Milk	20p
Flavoured Milk	60p	Orange/Apple Shot 85ml	30p
Fruit Juice Beaker 150ml	35p	Hot Chocolate	50p

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



	Week Commencing	7 th January 2019	Week 2	
Child's Name:			Class:	
<i>Monday</i>	Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza With Pasta Salad Sweetcorn, Peas Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Baked Bean & Cheese Wrap Sweetcorn, Peas Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
<i>Tuesday</i>	Chicken and Sweetcorn Pie with Creamy Mashed Potato, Roasted Vegetables Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Vegetarian Sausages with Creamy Mashed Potato Roasted Vegetables Fresh	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
<i>Wednesday</i>	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes & Gravy, Broccoli, Carrot Batons, Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Cheese and Potato Bake with Roast Potatoes Broccoli, Carrot Batons, Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches	
<i>Thursday</i>	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges Green Beans, Sweetcorn Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Vegetarian Tagine with Rice Green Beans, Sweetcorn Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches
<i>Friday</i>	Golden Cod Fish Fillet Fingers & Chips, Peas Carrot Batons & Baked Beans Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	(v) Quorn Burger with Chips Peas, Carrot Batons & Baked Beans Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Choice of Assorted Sandwiches
Subject to availability				