



#### Easter Half-Term

School will close today Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April @ 3.30 pm School will re-open on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April @ 8.50 am



Issue 26

Dear Parents / Carers

I am writing to you after a wonderful term of events here at Coton Green. The Easter Bonnet Parades this week were amazing and it was so lovely to see so many of you enjoying the parades in school. The children obviously enjoyed making their bonnets and showing them off during the parade. I am so impressed with the children's confidence with such a packed out hall. I was also impressed with the fantastic egg designs in KS2. Well done to all who took part.

Our charity and PTFA events have also been a huge success recently. For Comic Relief the school council sold Comic Relief Merchandise and we also organised Sainsbury's to come and sell a wider selection. The Coton Green Learning Family should be extremely proud of their efforts. We raised a total of £75.02.

Our PTFA bingo night was very popular with over 100 people in the hall with their eyes down and pens ready to react to the numbers being called by our in-house expert team of bingo callers Declan and Grace. The number of eggs donated by the school community in the previous non-uniform day was amazing and made for great prizes. This event alongside the successful film nights will contribute to the outdoor development of playground equipment planned for the summer term.

The PTFA continue to do great work in supporting our school in times when school budgets are under stress. This enables us to buy equipment that enhances the every-day lives of children in school. I cannot thank you enough for supporting the school so well.

Our Learning Family has also rallied around Mr Parker's efforts to raise money in the upcoming London Marathon with several events including a sponsored swim. Mr Parker is raising money for a charity very close to his heart which supports visually impaired people taking part in sport. He wanted to pass on his thanks for the amazing support he has received from the school community. We are very proud of Mr Parker and I am sure you will all join me in wishing him well for the up-coming event. I will be looking out for him on the TV!

We are very proud of our extended curriculum in school. This Thursday we were treated to a music concert by our peripatetic music teachers which the pupils also enjoyed thoroughly. We have also seen many teams entered for a wide range of sporting events including football, rugby and volleyball. As always our children represented the school and our values of hard work and fair play at all times.

I would like to say a thank you to all the staff who work so very hard behind the scenes to make these events possible. Also, a large thanks to our parents / carers who always volunteer in large numbers.

All that remains for me to do is to wish you all a happy Easter break, stay safe and come back refreshed for another busy but exciting term of learning.

Mr R Osborne

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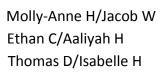
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Thursday	Year 1/2 ICT Club	Library EYFS/Y1/Y2 3.30 – 4.00 pm
Friday	Singing Club – Lunchtime	Aston Villa FC – Y3/4/5/6 (Week 1 of 5)

# Easter Bonnet Parade Winners

### <u>EYFS</u>

Miss Coton's Class: Mrs Hall's Class: Charlotte B/Dexter Q Joseph K/Felicity D Mr Birch's Class: Mrs Pursehouse's Class: Miss Thompson's Class:

KS1



# KS2 Easter Egg Competition



Mrs Holbrook's Class: Miss Stevenson's Class: Miss Wesley's Class: Mr Newton's Class: Mrs Tanner's Class: Mrs Thomas' Class: Madison G/Adam S Chloe T/Eva J Dylan D/Katie-Jo B James C/Leah E Scarlet H/Daisy L Chloe D/Ellie J

# PTFA Chocolate Raffle & Bingo

The Chocolate Raffle and the Bingo combined has raised a fantastic  $\pm 422.08$ .







Coton Green FC are a CASC registered Not for Profit organisation providing grassroots football for the local community. We are one of only 3 local teams to hold the highest FA Accreditation for junior football, The FA Charter Standard Community Club.

We are now looking for new players for our girls sides for the forthcoming season. We are looking for player for our under 8's and under 10's sides. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Gareth on 07931738297 or garethastle1@yahoo.com

### ParentPay - our new online payment service

We're pleased to announce that we will shortly be accepting payments online for items such as dinner money and school trips. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit or debit card. ParentPay will be our preferred method of making payments to school.

## What are the benefits to parents and pupils?

- ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7 –
- the technology used is of the highest internet security available ensuring that your money will reach school safely offering you peace of mind
- payments can be made by credit/debit card or also through PayPoint
- full payment histories and statements are available to you securely online at anytime
- your children won't have to worry about losing money at school
- Parents can choose to be alerted when their balances are low via email.

### What are the benefits to our school?

The more parents that use ParentPay, the greater the benefit is to our school. You can help us reduce workloads for all staff, creating more time to lend to educational support and the smooth running of the school. Using ParentPay also ensures that all financial transactions are safe and secure - helping us to remove costs associated with us having to manage cash securely on the school premises.

## How to get started with ParentPay...



We will shortly be sending you your account activation username and password, just follow the instructions in the letter we give you to get started with ParentPay.

If you want to find out more about ParentPay go to: ParentPay

(https://www.parentpay.com/)

#### Reminder Chasewater Payments

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	<u>Coton Green Kids' Zone</u> 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 along with payment) by the Weo attend to the Play Leader or School C	Inesday prior to the week you wish your child to					

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Week Commencing 24 <sup>TH</sup> April 2017					
Child's Name:			Class:		
Monday	Filled Lunch Box	Turkey Burger in a Bun with Pasta Salad & Roasted Vegetables	(V) Vegetable Supreme Pizza with Baked Cajun Wedges & Roasted Vegetables	No Jackets available	Sub Rolls with Fillings of the Day
Tuesday	Filled Lunch Box	Shepherd's Pie Served with Vegetables	(V) Cheddar Cheese and Sweetcorn Quiche with New Potatoes & Vegetables	No Jackets available	Sub Rolls with Fillings of the Day
Wednesday	Filled Lunch Box	Roast Turkey Served with Roast Potatoes, Gravy and Vegetables	(V) Country Vegetable Pie with Roast Potatoes & Vegetables	No Jackets available	Sub Rolls with Fillings of the Day
Thursday	Filled Lunch Box	Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake with Roasted Vegetables & Garden Peas	(V) Vegetarian Sausages With Mash and Roasted Vegetables & Garden Peas	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Sub Rolls with Fillings of the Day
Fríday	Filled Lunch Box	Salmon Fish Cake or Golden Fish Fingers With Chips, Baked Beans or Sweetcorn & Carrots	(V) Quorn Burger in a Bun With Tomato Relish, Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn & Carrots	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Sub Rolls with Fillings of the Day