

# Cotherstone Primary School

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Number 4  
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## Forms Update

We have recently updated the consent forms we use for e-safety and photographic permission. Please find attached relevant forms for your child. If these could be completed and returned to school by next Friday it would be very much appreciated. Thanks in advance.

## Book Trust

Each year the Book Trust donate a reading pack to each reception child when they start school. Reception parents will find this year's pack in their child's book bag today. For tips and book recommendations please visit [booktrust.org.uk](http://booktrust.org.uk)

## Bikeability Success

Well done to Class 3 children who have all successfully completed the Bikeability Level 2 course. A number of the children have expressed an interest in following on to Level 3. We have made enquiries about the next stage and whilst it is possible, it would involve cycling to Barnard Castle and learning how to negotiate roundabouts and traffic lights. At this stage we need to gauge the level of interest. If this is something you would like your child to take part in please inform a member of staff.

## Critters

Please check your child's hair for uninvited guests.

## Cool Kids

Can we please remind parents to book children into Cool Kids through the office or myself before a session. This avoids any confusion and allows us to plan accordingly.

The children have really been enjoying our cooking sessions so far. We've made crispy cakes, bread, pizza and next week spooky cupcakes. We have some budding Jamie Olivers! Because of its popularity I'd like to gauge the interest in running a cooking session after half term. If you or your child is interested please let me know before we break up.

With Hallowe'en fast approaching we would like to make some spooky lanterns. If you have any spare jam jars we would be very grateful.

Thanks

Claire

## Staff Offsite

Mon - Mrs Sabey

Tue - Mrs Sabey

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If you need to get in touch while Mrs Sabey is offsite please leave a message on the school answerphone. We will pick messages up at break-times and lunchtime. Thank you.

## Dates for your diary

Dates in bold are new additions from the last

### Newsletter

12th Oct - Parents' Evening

**13th Oct - FOCS meeting**

14th Oct - Celebration Assembly 2:45pm

14th Oct - Class 3 trip to Beamish

17th Oct - Class 3 trip to Bowes Museum

18th Oct - Individual school photos

19th Oct - Hallowe'en Party

21st Oct - Harvest Festival 2pm at St Cuthbert's Church

21st Oct - School closes for half term

31st Oct - School re-opens

*Don't forget to book your child's place at Cool Kids!*

*Contact Claire on 0751 2917262*

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## Homework

Class 1 - See below

Class 2 - Research ancient civilisations & spellings

Class 3 - Spellings. Literacy - time adverbials  
Year 5 Maths - properties of 3d shapes. Year 6  
Maths - adding decimals

**ALL - Practise the recovery position which you learnt in house assembly this week.**

## **News from The Friends of Cotherstone School**

### **Christmas Cards**

The children will be bringing their personally designed Christmas card home today. It's very early to be thinking about Christmas but we hope that you like them. If you wish to order any of the items available with their design on please fill in the order form and return to school along with payment, cheques to be made out to Friends of Cotherstone School. In order to get the best price for the cards we need to get the orders in rapidly so please get all orders into school by Friday 14th October. Thank you.

### **Meeting**

On Thursday 13th October we will be holding a Friends of the school meeting in Class 3. The meeting will take no longer than half an hour and we welcome new parents to pop along to meet us. Refreshments will be provided and the meeting will be very informal mainly to discuss arrangement for this year's Christmas Fayre.