

Cotherstone Primary School

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Number 2
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I would like to thank parents, staff and children for making my first few days at Cotherstone very welcoming and helpful. If you have not already, please come and introduce yourself and say hello. Although, I will not be in school all day every day as my time will be split between here and Bowes Hutchinson's, please be assured that I am being updated about school business and am only twenty minutes away on the days I am based at Bowes. I am contactable via either school and will endeavour to do my very best for both schools and communities. Staff are already sharing training, ideas and resources and planning joint events. I am sure that this will benefit all of the children.

Kind regards,

Mrs Chris Matthewman.

Attendance

Please remember that good attendance supports better learning and progress. Wherever possible, - please try to make routine appointments outside the school day. If your child has an appointment during the day, please collect them shortly before their appointment and return them to school afterwards if they are well enough. Thank you for your support.

Parent Helpers

If parents would like to help in school in any way on an ad hoc or regular basis, please contact the school office. If anyone would like to join us to talk to the children about their profession or help with reading or other activities, we would love you to join us. Thank you.

School Bags

Please can children use school book bags and not backpacks in school. Unfortunately we are extremely limited for storage space in school. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Email addresses

Please, wherever possible, can parents ensure that we have an up to date email address to enable us to contact you via email with school communications. Thank you.

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All year 6 parents should have received an email on Wednesday with regard to secondary school places. If you didn't please notify Alison in the office.

Harvest Festival

We invite everyone (little brothers and sisters, grandparents and friends) to our Harvest Festival Celebration to be held in St

Cuthbert's Church, Cotherstone, on Thursday 3rd October at 2pm.

We hope that all the school children will be able to bring a modest Harvest offering of tinned foods for harvest festival. Offerings will be donated to the food bank at West Auckland. Thank you.

Request for Outdoor Resources

We would like to develop and enhance our Class 1 outdoor area further. If you have any of the following items that you would like to donate to us to keep we would be very grateful!

Range of utensils- metal spoons,

Dates for your diary

Dates in bold are new additions from the last Newsletter

19th Sep - FOCS meeting @ Fox & Hounds 8pm

25th Sep - Class 1 trip to Raby Castle

3rd Oct - Harvest Festival @ St Cuthberts 2pm

16th Oct - Individual school photos

18th Oct - Celebration assembly 2:45pm

24th Oct - Flu immunisation

25th Oct - School closes for half term break

4th Nov - School re-opens

ladles and whisks. Pots and pans of a variety of sizes. Large cardboard boxes, any plants (that rabbits don't like!) wooden curtain rings, bamboo, willow, cable reels and 'old keys'

Many thanks

Miss Lee

Staff Offsite

None expected

Homework

Class 1 - Years 1 & 2 - Please see your homework book

Class 2 - Maths: Place value work. Literacy: Reading comprehension & spellings

Class 3 - Science: Characteristics of materials. Spellings

News from The Friends of Cotherstone School

We are holding our first meeting of this academic year at The Fox & Hounds on Thursday 19th September at 8pm. For anyone wishing to become involved in the Friends of the School, please come along, it would be lovely to see new faces!