



Cotherstone Primary School Newsletter

29th September 2023

End of the day arrangements

From Monday, we will be inviting parents onto the yard to pick children up. The yard will be accessible from 3:10pm and children will be handed over to adults there each day. We would ask that parents remain on the yard and not in classrooms.

School Photos

On Tuesday afternoon, children in the main school and the pre-school will be having their individual school photos taken. Please ensure your child is wearing their school uniform (with the exception of pre-school children). Children will have an individual photo taken and one with their siblings. Please contact Alison in the office if your child doesn't normally attend pre-school on a Tuesday, but you would like them to have their photo taken.

Swimming

Children with pierced ears are required to remove or cover earrings for PE and remove them for swimming. If your child is unable to remove them due to recently having them pierced, they must be covered with tape and a swimming cap must also be worn to cover the earrings; this is also the case if your child is unable to remove them independently.

Polite Reminders

PE for Class 2 is on a Wednesday. A few children have forgotten their kit this week and as we are doing Tag Rugby on the field they can end up quite muddy!

School Uniform

We have noticed a few non-uniform items of clothing coming into school. The children look so smart in their Cotherstone Primary uniform, please do try and send your child into school in uniform. If you have a shortage of items please contact a member of the Friends of School, as they have a rail of pre-loved items.

Harvest Festival

Parents and Carers are welcome to join us in celebrating our Harvest Festival at St Cuthberts church at 2pm on 4th October. Your child may bring in a tinned or packaged food item which will be donated to the local foodbank.

[Eden Camp report by Lydia and Henry](#)

On Thursday 28th September, Class 3 went to Eden Camp on a school trip. It was a long journey but it was worth the wait when we got there. Kelly Green and Mr Batchelor came on the trip. We all went around and into the huts where we had questions to answer on our worksheets. The huts were really scary, especially *The Blitz Hut* and *The Submarine Hut* but had loads of really cool facts and we all learnt about WWII and the First World War. After dinner we saw an amazingly fast tank driving up the road. Later on, we went through some more huts and discovered more and more facts. Soon after, we went to the gift shop and bought some souvenirs to go home with us. Finally, we got back on the coach and got back to school. Overall, we had a good time. Pics to follow next week

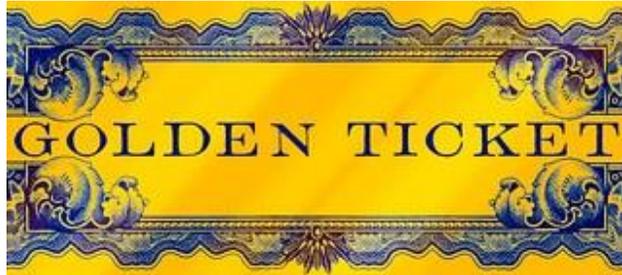


Awards

Class 1: Stars of the Week: Isla for fantastic number work counting forward and backwards and Edie for always displaying excellent manners and turn taking. Presentation award - Evie T

Class 2: Star of the Week: Calvin for working super hard in all lessons this week! Presentation - Harry

Class 3: Star of the Week: Oakley for his great work and attitude at Eden Camp. Presentation: Thom



This week's lunchtime awards go to:

Thom - for his good manners

George-William - for making a great start to lunchtimes at Cotherstone

Harry - for being a great role model

Zara - for her kindness towards her younger school mates during lunchtime play

Homework

Class 1: Year 1 - Reading book daily, spellings and History activity. Reception - Little Wandle phonic sheet to practise and revisit sounds taught this week in school and use small sound book to recall all sounds.

Class 2: Spellings. Reading- please listen to your child read at least 3 times per week and write this in their Reading Record.

Maths - consolidation of our Place Value work this week. Literacy - Regular and irregular verbs

Class 3: Maths - adding numbers mentally. SPaG - using semi-colons. Spellings from previous week



Dates for your diary

3rd October - School photos

4th October - Harvest Festival at St Cuthbert's Church at 2pm

18th October - Class 2 to Rugby Festival

19th October - Class 3 to Multi-skills Festival

27th October - School closes for half term break

6th November - School re-opens

12th December - KS1 Christmas performances (time to be confirmed)

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Gibson and the Cotherstone Team