



Coten End Newsletter

Issue No 3

Friday 10th October 2025

Message from Mr Williams

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an incredibly busy term so far and there has been so much going on in just 6 weeks. We've had school visits to Mary Arden's Farm, workshops, theme days, author visits, come and learn sessions, and of course, coming up next week Y6's Residential Visit to Arete in North Wales. Residential visits are an incredible opportunity for children to challenge themselves and demonstrate our school rules and values. There is no doubt that they are going to need every one of responsibility, kindness, determination, courage, collaboration and curiosity whilst on their adventure. We are very lucky to have a dedicated and committed to staff team who take incredible care of the children on residential. Good luck, Year 6! I've got my bag packed and I can't wait!

You will find later on in the newsletter an introduction to this year's Executive Committee. Executive Committee bring all of our Action Teams in School Council together and ensure that there is plenty going on related to Languages, Eco, Sports, Science, OPAL and wellbeing. They ensure that pupil voice is a significant part of what we do, but they have explained more in their piece, so do read on.

House Captains have also been elected in Years 2, 4 and 6. We are going to reflect and review this year how we utilize our House Captains across school so that they have more opportunities to be role models for children across school, particularly during playtimes. Pupil voice is incredibly important to us and we are spending more and more time, especially as leaders, listening to children's views and feelings.

Finally, I would like to emphasise the importance of communication between school and home. It is something we stress in every introduction evening and Open Morning. The relationship between school staff, pupil and parents is essential. Parent's Evenings are upcoming on the 4th and 6th November, but Parents' Evening alone is not going to maintain that working relationship. Far too often, we hear 'through the grapevine' about concerns parents are discussing on WhatsApp groups, and we are often left thinking, 'Why has no one come to speak to school staff about this?'. We will always work with parents on finding a solution to any concerns, so please do not hesitate to talk to us. You will see in Mrs Smith's email about Parents' Evening today that you have the option to reach out to SLT if you have anything you wish to discuss.

Best wishes

Nick Williams



BE SAFE BE RESPECTFUL

INSET days

This is just to confirm the remaining INSET days for the year; school will be closed to children on the following days:

Friday 24th October

Monday 3rd November

Monday 5th January

Monday 1st June

The full calendar can be viewed on the school website, [Coten End Primary School - Term dates](#)

Positions of responsibility



House Captains

We have recently held our House Captain elections for children in Years 6, 4 and Year 2 and also for Year 6 representatives on the Executive Committee and School Ambassadors, The children had clearly taken time with preparing for the election and, as always, there were difficult decisions to make:

The house captains are:

	Rubies	Emeralds	Diamonds	Sapphires
Year 6	Charlie, Evelyn Priyanjali, Aanya	Evie, Will Anna	Joshua, Bethany Isabella, Gennah	Keziah, Ava Laura, Rosie
Year 4	Iris, Ivy G	Mohammed, Ada	Dexter, Taylor	Ellis, Allysia
Year 2	Laila, Haider	Idris, Azora	Grika, David	Mia, Emil

Executive Committee

Chair	Gurbani
Vice-Chair	Ottilie
Secretary	Frederic
Vice-Secretary	Jessica
Clerk	Elahee
Staff Liaison	Teddy

Action Teams

Eco	Louisa
Charity	Risha
OPAL	Elena
Science	Malia
Sports	Genevieve and Harry
Language	Sam, Liv and Emily

The Year 6 pupils will be involved in our forthcoming Open Mornings and will represent school by leading tours for parents—we know that they will do a fantastic job!

Introducing Executive Committee



What is the Executive Committee? The Executive Committee is a group of six students, currently in Year 6 that want to help, alongside the action teams (groups focused on a specific subject e.g. science), make school improvements. We make sure that all children across school have their voices heard by using the Smart Schools Council platform.

The roles:

Chairperson (Gurbani S): I wanted to join the Executive Committee because I want to be a part of the change in the school and be a part of an amazing team. Now that I am part of the committee I want to help the school be a more fun place to be. One of my hobbies is playing music. I like music because music is very beautiful, also it brings people together.

Vice Chairperson (Ottillie P-R): One of the main reasons that I wanted to join the Executive Committee was because I love debating and also just working in a team where everyone has the same values and wants the same outcomes is important to me also I love to be busy and there is definitely a guaranteed buzz when it comes to the exec committee.

Staff Liaison (Teddy T): The reason I wanted to be in the Executive Committee is because I love sharing my ideas and helping my peers to have more voice and freedom. I also really enjoy being part of the Executive Committee. One of my hobbies is football.

Secretary (Frederic A-C): I really wanted to be part of a team and spend time with the people in the team by having meetings and asking their thoughts. I also enjoy asking people what they think and seeing whether they have the same view. I enjoy playing sports and being active as well as chess.

Vice Secretary (Jess W): I wanted to be a part of the Executive Committee because it sounded really fun and exciting. I also wanted to join because I want to make an impact on the school before I leave so I can make my mark. My hobbies are crochet and girls football.

Clerk (Elahee D): I wanted to be part of the Executive Committee by being the clerk because I love writing. I'm good at summarising and I like being part of a team. I like to dance and I enjoy netball.

Executive Committee and Smart School Council updates will start to be posted on the school website shortly.

[Coten End Primary School - Smart School Council](#)



Join our team as a Midday Supervisor!

Who You Are:

- A team player with a positive attitude
- Patient and caring, with a genuine interest in children's well-being
- Creative and resourceful in helping provide engaging activities

To find out more about the role please see the vacancy on Stowe Valley vacancies page at:

[Vacancy Detail -SCH-SVMAT-0878 - SAMpeople Recruit \(face-ed.co.uk\)](#)

Christmas Lunch!

The school Christmas lunch will again happen over 2 days in December.



Reception and Key Stage 1— Tuesday 16th December

Key Stage 2—Thursday 18th December

The cost of the Christmas Lunch is £3.00 for children in Key Stage 2 (not in receipt of Free School Meals)

There will be a hot dinner alternative offered to children on the days when other year groups are having Christmas lunch.

The kitchen needs to place their orders for Christmas lunches by half-term. Please complete the google form below to indicate whether your child will have a school Christmas lunch by **Thursday 23rd October**.

[Christmas Lunch link](#)

Lost property

If your child loses anything during the week, please rest assured that anything with a name on will be returned to them. Unnamed lost property will be put outside the office every Friday for parents to sort through. As you can see from today's haul there is an incredible amount of lost property so **ensuring that items are named is essential**.

If items are not collected after 2 weeks they will be donated to the uniform shop.



School photographer — Thursday 23rd October

The school photographer will be taking the children's photos on Thursday 23rd October. There will be individual and sibling photos and proof cards will be sent home shortly after half-term.

Please ensure that your child comes to school looking neat and tidy, wearing their badges of responsibility as appropriate.

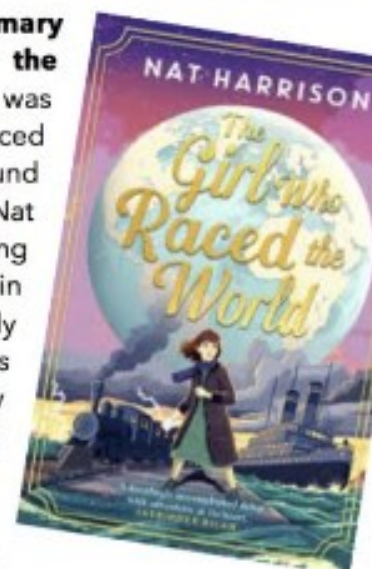


LATEST NEWS

Coten End author visit from Nat Harrison



On Monday 6th October, Coten End Primary School had a very special author visit for the children in Years 4, 5 and 6. Nat Harrison was talking about her debut book 'The Girl who Raced the World,' which is a modern retelling of 'Around the World in 80 Days.' During the session Nat shared about her fascinating childhood travelling the world herself and what inspirations she had in becoming an author. The children were thoroughly engaged throughout and enjoyed asking Nat lots of questions at the end of the session. Nat kindly stayed after her talk to meet children and sign



preordered copies. It was a fantastic opportunity with lots of children excited to start reading their copies.

A huge thank you to Nat for giving up her time to come and speak to the children and also to Warwick Books for arranging the event.



Learning for everyone, learning from everyone.

Year 5 Maya man visitor

Last week, year 5 welcomed a very special visitor who came to deliver Maya theme days for each class. Simon thoroughly engaged the children as he shared stories, videos and pictures about his trips to the Amazon rainforest and his recent adventure to the rainforest of Ecuador. The children completed fun and engaging activities that taught them even more fascinating facts about the Maya culture. We are sure that these brilliant theme days will inspire more great work as we continue with our learning theme. Here are some pictures of our days.



5* kitchen rating

The kitchen was recently visited by the Food and Safety Team Leader at Warwickshire County Council. During the visit they inspected the kitchen, stores and staff room/WC and examined the food safety management system and associated temperature records, cleaning schedules, calibration records, invoices and pest control records.

The hygiene standards found at the time of the visit mean that a rating score of '5' was issued.

Congratulations to Laura and the kitchen team for maintaining such high standards.



Congratulations to Reuben and Louis!

Reuben and Louis have both achieved their purple belts in kickboxing, a major milestone that reflects their dedication, discipline, and continuous improvement. Throughout their training, they have demonstrated excellent control, strong commitment, and impressive technical skill.

Their success is the result of consistent effort, perseverance, and a positive attitude toward learning and personal growth. Reuben and Louis set a great example for others in the club — showing that with focus and determination, progress is always within reach.

Well done to both of you on this well-deserved achievement!





PLEASE JOIN US FOR A



COMMITTEE MEETING

WHERE?

**THE STAFF ROOM FOR
COFFEE, CAKE AND CHAT**

WHEN?

**FRIDAY
17TH OCTOBER-9AM**

WHY?



**Christmas fair planning but also
looking to meet new people and
get new event suggestions.**

	Morning		Afternoon/Evening	After School Clubs
Monday 13th October	Year 6 residential trip to Arete (all week)			Football (Y3/4) Girls' Football (Y3/4) Spanish (Y1-6) Dance (Y3—6) Mandarin (Y1-6) Boys' Football Squad
Tuesday 14th October	Year 4 Greek Day			Football (Y1) Netball (Y5 & 6) Hockey (Y3 & 4) Drama (Y3-6) Cookery (Y2-6)
Wednesday 15th October				Judo (Y2—6) Music (Y1 & 2) Arts & Crafts (Y1 & 2) Football (Y5 & 6) Spanish Sewing (Y3-6)
Thursday 16th October			Year 2 Maths Calculation meeting - 2pm & 6pm	Multi-Sports (Y2—4) 11+ Maths & English (Y5) Young Voices (Y3-6) Bat & Ball (Y1 & 2)
Friday 17th October	Friends Committee meeting—9.00am (staff room)			Dance (Y1—2) Football (Y2) Chess (Y3-6) Girls' Football Squad
Monday 20th October				Football (Y3/4) Girls' Football (Y3/4) Spanish (Y1-6) Dance (Y3—6) Mandarin (Y1-6) Boys' Football Squad
Tuesday 21st October	OPEN MORNING 9.30am—11.00am			Football (Y1) Netball (Y5 & 6) Hockey (Y3 & 4) Drama (Y3-6) Cookery (Y2-6)
Wednesday 22nd October	Flu immunisations—all year groups			Judo (Y2—6) Music (Y1 & 2) Arts & Crafts (Y1 & 2) Football (Y5 & 6) Spanish Sewing (Y3-6)
Thursday 23rd October	Pupil photos			Multi-Sports (Y2—4) 11+ Maths & English (Y5) Young Voices (Y3-6) Bat & Ball (Y1 & 2)
Friday 24th October	INSET DAY			Dance (Y1—2) Football (Y2) Chess (Y3-6) Girls' Football Squad



AUTUMN TERM VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS & PROGRAMMES

Workshop/ Programme	Date and Time	Venue
Sleep and Routines	10th October 09:30 – 11:30	Virtual
Boundaries and Rules	15th October 10:00 – 12:00	Virtual
Routines	16th October 12:45-14:45	Virtual
Keeping your child in mind	16th October 17:30 – 19: 30	virtual
Understanding Children's Behaviour	23rd October 12:45 – 14:45	virtual
Parenting Together	28th October 10:00- 12:00	virtual
Sleep and Routines	6th November 09:30 – 11:30	virtual
Boundaries and Rules	6th November 12:30 -14:30	virtual
Routines	12th November 12:30 – 14:30	virtual
Understanding your teenager	14th November 09:30 – 11:30	Virtual



**Book your
free place**

For Warwickshire
parents only.

For further information about this
programme please email
ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk



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Workshop/ Programme	Date and Time	Venue
Understanding Children's Behaviour	18th November 09:30 - 11:30	Virtual
Boundaries and Rues	21st November 09:30 - 11:30	Virtual
Understanding your teenager	27th November 10:00-12:00	Virtual
Sleep and Routines	28th November 09:30 - 11: 30	virtual
Parenting Together	1st December 17:30 - 19:30	virtual
Understanding Children's Behaviour	9th December 10:00- 12:00	virtual



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Saturday 11th October 2025



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SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER

AGES 8 - 11: 10.13AM - 11.30AM

AGES 12 - 16: 11.30AM 1 12.30PM



Light Party

Friday 31st October

5.15-6.45pm

Ages 0-11

FREE

Games, crafts, story, refreshments

Children must be supervised by an adult

MYTON CHURCH

No booking required

Westbury Community Centre
CV31 3JE

CRAFTS * MUSIC * GAMES * FOOD

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Light Party

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Friday 31st October 2025

4-6PM • GERRARD ST HALL CV34 4HD

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HARVEST FESTIVAL!

SATURDAY 18TH
OCTOBER

10.30AM - 12.30PM

WOODLGS PRIMARY
SCHOOL

Games, loads of crafts, a story, worship
and of course - lunch! Free of charge.

Messy Church is for primary school age children with a
parent/guardian, younger siblings always welcome.

PLEASE CONTACT ELLIE ON
ELLIE.STNICSWARWICK@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE
INFORMATION



Your Community Survey

We would like to know what life is like where you live.

- What is your community like?
- Do you get involved in activities or events?
- What do you enjoy?

Please take a few minutes to complete our short survey. This will help us to understand what is working well and whether more support is needed in some areas or within our diverse communities.

Please scan the QR code to complete the survey.



The survey closes on 27 October.

