

# Coteford Junior School

Newsletter 20

06<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Welcome to our weekly newsletter, here we will keep you up to date with important information and upcoming events. Please also keep an eye on your year group newsletters and our school website: <https://www.cotefordjunior.org.uk/>

## Merit book:

The following children are in the merit book this week:

- 3EB: Harry for always being mature**
- 3TH: Evie for always following the 3Rs**
- 4LF: Anaya for amazing effort in all lessons**
- 4IW: Aiden for great resilience**
- 5DJ: Samy for always trying his best**
- 5EP: Arthur for amazing effort in assessments**
- 5RC: Alisa for trying trying hard in all subexcts**
- 6KB: Kouji for working hard**
- 6SP: Anaiya for a fabulous piece of writing**
- 6UQ: Cerys for her resilience and growth**

**Mrs. Eckley: The whole school for excellent behavior at the disco**

**Miss Martin: Frankie 5EP for showing bravery**

A huge well done to them!



Be Ready  
Be Respectful  
Be Responsible

## ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

Year Group	Percent
Year 3	95.4%
Year 4	92.8%
Year 5	93.2%
Year 6	92.7%
Whole school	93.5%

**Reminder:** please check parentmail for any outstanding payments.

## **Neon Disco**

A huge thank you to all the staff and parents who helped make our Neon Disco such a success. We hope your children had a brilliant time – they were wonderfully behaved, full of fun, and showed off some seriously impressive dance moves.

Our parent helpers were fantastic, selling glo-wands, painting faces, and creating a steady stream of glitter tattoos (which were an absolute triumph). A special shout-out to our Y6 helpers, who were a credit to their families and supported the event with maturity and enthusiasm.

Thank you for helping us create such a joyful evening for our pupils.

From one of our governors: I was super impressed how well all the children behaved. They had such lovely manners when buying from the tuck shop and were so kind to each other if someone wanted something.

We teach our pupils the 3Rs every day so we are proud when they display beautiful manners.

## **Attendance**

We are really grateful for the efforts being made to improve attendance; this helps our children achieve their potential and enjoy time with their friends.

This week attendance is 93.5%. We want to keep working to get this to above 95% weekly and know we can get there.

We want to celebrate the progress that has been made. Some of our children have been working to improve their personal attendance and are thrilled with the progress they have made by being in school every day.

- Pupil A- 11% improvement since 17<sup>th</sup> November
- Pupil B- 8% improvement since 1<sup>st</sup> December
- Pupil C-9% improvement since 1<sup>st</sup> December
- Pupil D- 5% improvement since 17<sup>th</sup> December
- Pupil E-5% improvement since 17<sup>th</sup> December
- Pupil F-10% improvement since 14<sup>th</sup> December

This term 58% of our children have 100% attendance and 61% have 100% or have only missed a half day.

We also want to celebrate 4LF's attendance as they have made the most progress, 3.4%, this term.

## Parental Participation

### Safer Internet Day – Parent Invitation

As part of our **Mental Health Week** celebrations, we will also be delivering a **Safer Internet Lesson**, and we warmly invite parents and carers to join us.

**Wednesday 11th February**

- **9:50am – Year 3 & Year 4**
- **9:10am – Year 5 & Year 6**

These sessions will explore how children can stay safe online, including an introduction to **AI** and how it is used in everyday life. You'll have the chance to join in with the activities and see how we teach responsible, confident digital choices. Sign up using the form below.

We would love to welcome you into school for this event. You will join your child's class.

<https://forms.gle/4DRRGQib6qsdRRsu7>

### RSE Consultation Evening - Tuesday 10th February at 6pm

We invite you to an information evening to discuss all aspects of PSHE and RSE in Y3 to Y6, and to share our resources for Sex Education in Year 5. You will have the opportunity to give us valuable feedback regarding the programme; we will also be conducting some evaluations with the children in a pupil voice session (during school time). This will help us to prepare for the guidance changes and be ready for September 2026. Please sign up on the form below.

<https://forms.gle/C6fZL16anidU5zuJ8>

# FEBRUARY HALF TERM SWIMMING SHORT COURSES

Make a splash with our fun  
half-term swim lessons:

**16th February –  
20th February**

9.30–10.00 Foundation Non-Swimmer  
10.00–10.30 Foundation Non-Swimmer  
10.30–11.00 Foundation Top-Up  
11.00–11.30 Foundation Top-Up  
11.30–12.00 Intro to Development

**Limited spaces – book now!**

Visit [better.org.uk/swimming-lessons](https://better.org.uk/swimming-lessons)

For any inquiries, email  
[HighGroveSwimSchool@GLL.ORG](mailto:HighGroveSwimSchool@GLL.ORG)

**UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Information:</b>
19/01/26	Y6 Planetarium
22/01/26	Y6 Junior Citizens event
30/01/26	Neon Disco
06/02/26	Y5 Incident at station Road
09/02/26	Children's Mental Health week
10/02/26	PSHE / RSE / Sex Education Consultation for Families at 6pm with Mrs Eckley.
11/02/26	Wear your SCARF Day
16/02/26-20/02/26	Half Term
23/02/26	Woodland workshop
26/02/26	RNLI Assembly
19/03/26	World book day – treasure Island
27/03/26	Term ends 12 noon
13/04/26	Children return
23/04/26	Y4 Hampton Court Palace
22/05/26	Inset day (school closed to children)
25/05/26-29/05/26	Half-term
21/07/26	Term ends 12 noon