

Coaley Church of England Academy

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Friday 22th November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been the usual busy week at Coaley although I haven't been in school as much as I'd like. Another one of my roles is that I am a Lead Inspector for Ofsted and I have been away inspecting a school this week. Inspecting gives me a great insight into how schools work and what makes them successful, as well as where schools often go wrong. I use these skills and knowledge as Headteacher at Coaley to make sure that the school is rapidly improving. My own personal view is that the school is no longer in special measures and is doing really well but we are aiming to jump straight to be a Good school when it is our turn to be inspected. I believe that we are doing all the right things to get there; to make sure that your children are being challenged and supported how they should be; that teaching is brilliant; the children are motivated and eager to learn; and that the curriculum is fun, exciting and challenging. We are well on our way and I hope to continue to reassure you that Coaley is an amazing school and that we are really going somewhere!

On that note, we have our open morning next Tuesday where any new prospective parents for Reception 2020, or any other year groups are welcome to come see all the good things going on at Coaley. They can have a tour of the school, see the children learning, as well as talk to myself, staff and governors. If you know of any families who live in the village (or outside!) and are looking for a brilliant school to send their children to then please give them a nudge to pop in between 9.00am and 10.30am next Tuesday 26th November.

Richard Lucas Executive Headteacher

Panto

On Tuesday 10th December the **whole school** are going on a trip to Bristol Hippodrome to watch the panto Dick Whittington, all paid for by of the Friends of Coaley School (FOCS). This is such an amazing opportunity for our children. They will experience the buzz of the theatre and I am certain there will be lots of laughing. A letter has gone out today and we need the consent forms back by 2nd December please.

Thank you so much to FOCS. This is just another example of all the hard work that goes into raising extra funds for our school and enriching the education here at Coaley. Thanks should also go to Mrs Astley who has organised the event.

Christmas Fair

As you all know the Christmas Fair is on 6th of December.

We are having a dress down day on Friday November 29th in exchange for a raffle or Tombola prize.

Also if you can please bake or buy a cake for us to sell at the fair, we would be very grateful.

As you know, In order for the Fair to be successful we need helpers please. It's actually good fun and you get a chance to meet new people.

Looking forward to seeing you there and hoping for your support, it's for all the children.

Many thanks

FOCS

Visit from Reverend Sue

This week Reverend Sue visited the school and brought with her Reverend Peter who is going to be assisting her in her duties. We will be seeing Rev Peter at times in school and look forward to that.

Please note, PE days:

Tuesday – Owls Forest School (arrive in PE kit – wellies/joggers in a named bag)

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Thursday – Robins (arrive in PE kit)

The closing date for the Scholastic Book Club order is 7th December 2019. You can place your order on-line to Coaley Primary Academy or by bringing it into the school office.

Can we make a polite request that all cheques are made out to Coaley Primary Academy School.

Open morning is on Tuesday 26th November 2019 9.00am-10.30am. Coaley Village Playgroup will also be holding their open morning, so please spread the word far and wide.

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Toby, Esme, Leo. **Owls:** Oliver, Lewis, Liam, Erika.

Attendance:

Robins –97.8%

Owls - 95.3%

Compassion:

Values Certificates:

Robins: Jess Owls: Andrew

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Violet for independently working out how to solve a problem in maths.

Owls: Sammy for having a positive attitude towards her English this week.

CLUBS: BEGINNING 5th NOVEMBER FOR 6 - 7 WEEKS

Monday: Song & Stage Club 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Tuesday: Multi Skills (lunchtime), Forest School 3:15pm -4:30pm,

Cross Country (Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6) 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Thursday: Sports Club (Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6) 3:15pm - 4:00pm, Book Club (All) 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Friday: Drama Club (lunchtime), Fun & Games Friday (YR,Y1,Y2) 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Dates for your Diary

Drop in session – Friday 29th November – 2:30pm Non School Uniform Day – Friday 29th November Celebration Worship – Friday 29nd November – 2:45pm Church Worship – Thursday 5th December – 9:00am Whole School Trip – Tuesday 10th December – 9:30am Christmas Carol Service – Monday 16th December – 6:00pm (in church) Coffee morning- Tuesday 17th December - 9.00am Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 18th December (wear a Christmas Jumper Day).

FOCS Dates

FOCS Meeting – Wednesday 27th November 2019 (to plan Christmas Fayre) 7:30pm in The Old Fox, Coaley Christmas Fayre - Friday 6th December 2019 Coaleyfest - Saturday 20th June 2020

Please note - Dates and times are subject to change, we will update you as soon as possible.

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