

Coaley Church of England Academy

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Friday 27th September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, the weather has certainly changed and the seasons are on the march again. Autumn has really made its presence felt this week with the rain and drop in temperature. With the breaks in the weather, I hope we still manage to get outside and enjoy our amazing grounds as much as possible. Please could children bring a coat to school every day.

Our value this week is Humility and it's tough to admit something when you've not got things right. So, I'm going to go first and admit that I didn't let the parents of Reception know that EVERYONE is invited to the Celebration Worship on Friday. Typically for their first week, the whole of Reception were on the Proud Cloud and some parents were not there and couldn't see their proud children standing up in front of the school to be celebrated. This week, we're having a replay of that so that no one misses out. I can only apologise for not letting you know that everyone is welcome along. Having only been here a few weeks, there is still lots for me to learn about how the school works, what you need to know and when things are happening. I would ask you to please bear with me as I learn the ropes of Coaley and not be too harsh when things don't go according to plan. Learning from our mistakes is often the best learning experiences and this is one I will do my best not to repeat.

The School Council have met this week and have been putting together a plan for the new library. They are thinking about what they want to do and what they would like to buy. They are planning to go and see some other libraries in other schools to inspire their thinking. They will keep you updated with what is going on.

Richard Lucas
Executive Headteacher

Please note, PE Days:

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

Changes to PE Days

Further to the parentmail earlier in the week, it has been decided that in order that all of Owls take part in a PE session on Tuesday afternoon we will split the session with Forest School. Y3 and Y4 will do Forest School first and Y5 and Y6 will do PE. They will then swap mid-afternoon and Y5 and Y6 will do Forest School and Y3 and Y4 will do PE. Therefore all of Owls will need to come to school in PE kit that day and bring along tracksuit trousers/Joggers and a pair of wellies. Wellies can be left in school if you so wish.

We are hoping to have a new sports provider by term 2 therefore this arrangement is subject to change next term and we will keep you updated on the progress. Many thanks for your support and understanding with this.

Breakfast Club

As you may be aware we run a Breakfast Club from Monday to Thursday mornings in term time from 8am to 8.40am. The cost per session is £2.50 and the children are given healthy breakfast with a choice of cereals, toast, pastries, juice or a hot drink. This is seen as a very valuable service by some parents, but it needs to have several children each day to be financially viable. Once your child is registered you can book them into Breakfast Club at any time, subject to numbers not being exceeded. Miss Payne runs this club and often does themed weeks, ie. Christmas, Easter and Harvest.



If you are interested in a breakfast club could you please contact Mrs Astley. Fridays may be available if there is enough interest.

Drop in

The staff and children love to share all our hard work with parents and due to this we will be beginning drop in sessions again on the last Friday of each month. As we have parents evening this term where you will be able to see and hear about your child's learning our first drop in will be on Friday 29th November at 2.30pm. We look forward to welcoming you all then.

Message from FOCS

FOCS AGM is on **Wednesday 2nd Oct at 7:30pm** in The Old Fox. Please try to attend, if anyone wants to put their name forward to stand for Chair, Secretary or Treasurer then please let us know. We need to officially elect the committee. If you can't attend but would like to put your name forward then please do let us know.

We'd especially welcome any new parents to the meeting so you can get an idea of what we do and hopefully how you can help.

We will also be discussing Coaley Fireworks which is planned for **Sunday 3rd November.** Hope to see you there.

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Toby, Tess, Theo,

Jessica, Ben

Owls: Harry P, Oliver, Lewis

Attendance:

Robins - 96.7%

Owls - 95.6%

Humility:

Values Certificates:

Robins: Daisy Owls: Sam

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Jack for being so engrossed in his maths that he didn't go out to play straight

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Owls: Harry M for working really hard this week to complete all work and persevering

when you have found work tricky, especially in maths.

CLUBS: BEGINNING 16th SEPTEMBER FOR 6 WEEKS

Monday: Book Club (All) 3:15pm – 4:00pm (No club Monday 30th Sept)

Tuesday: 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 Friday: Fun & Games Friday (YR,Y1,Y2) 3:15pm – 4:00pm

Dates for your Diary

Author Visit (book signing) – Wednesday 2nd October – 3:15pm

Church Worship - Thursday 3rd October – 9:00am

Celebration Worship – Friday 4th October – 2:45pm

Coffee Morning - Tuesday 8th October – 9:00am

Flu Immunisation (All Years) – Tuesday 15th October

School individual & sibling photos – Friday 18th October – 8:30am

Harvest Festival (in Church) – Tuesday 22nd October – 9:30am

Parent Evening – Tuesday 22nd October – 3:30pm-5:30pm

Parent Evening – Wednesday 23rd October – 5:00pm-7:30pm

Drop in session – Friday 29th November – 2:30pm

FOCS Dates

FOCS AGM meeting – Wednesday 2nd October 2019 – 7.30pm (at The Old Fox, Coaley) Coaley Fireworks - Sunday 3rd November 2019 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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