

Coaley Church of England Academy

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Friday 15th November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been the usual busy week in school and the children have been really knuckling down and learning lots. The half term holiday now seems a distant memory and the big C-word is still some way off – phew! This week I have been looking at how we teach reading and the differences between the classes. The Robins are busy learning their sounds in phonics sessions and I heard some of them read to check their progress. All the children were doing really well and the Year 1 and Reception children are right on track to be where they should be to be proficient readers. The Y2s are reading more complicated books where they have to understand how characters feel and behave. Your help with reading with you child at home is a crucial part of this as you can't read too much. The more you practise, the better you get; it's that simple with reading.

The Owls were learning about characters and how they feel in more complicated texts. They have been reading whole books in small groups and well as having their own books each day. They have been focusing on famous authors such as Micheal Morpurgo and William Shakespeare to name but two and their class book at the moment is the classic, Stig of the Dump.

Reading is such an important skill that children need to be able to do to access the curriculum at Coaley and at secondary school. It is vital that we all play our part in helping your child to be the best they can be, including reading loads at home. We expect children to be heard reading four times a week and every day if possible. We will be discussing how you can help your children at home at the Christmas coffee morning for parents on Tuesday 17th **December at 9.00am.** You are all very welcome to attend.

Richard Lucas **Executive Headteacher**

Children in Need

What a colourful school we were today. The children braved the cold after our fire drill to pose for this fantastic picture and I think it speaks for itself. It has been a fun day with lots of sporting activities, dance, party games, country dancing and aerobics. The best thing is we raised £56.57 for Children In Need. Thank you everyone!



Scholastic Book Clubs

We have been really lucky to join the Scholastic Book Club. Brochures have been given out to your children and there are many more books on-line. Just in time for that Christmas shopping to start. All the books have been carefully chosen for every stage of reading ability and interest and the best part is that Coaley Primary Academy receive 25% of the order value back meaning your shopping can help earn us money. You can place your order on-line to Coaley Primary Academy or by bringing it into the school office. The closing date is 7th December 2019.

Cross Country Results

It was another cold and wet one this week with 7 children running for us in the Cross Country. All athletes need perseverance and determination to succeed and I think there can be no question that these guys have that. To wake up early on a Saturday morning and brave that weather to run shows so much commitment and we can't thank you all enough for representing our school.

Results:

lyla - 100/114

Will - 41

Oscar- 42 /101

Erika - 44

Scarlett - 61

Lara - 62 / 73

Aidan - 69/84

We are super proud of them!



Football Tournament

We really are an athletic school! As well as the cross country this week we also had a football team represent us in an inter school tournament. The children played really well and demonstrated our value of humility in the way they presented themselves. Surprisingly, we were the only school who had girls on our team and I know we have a few girls in school who play for local clubs. The Lionesses must have been a big influence in Coaley. Really well done to all of you. We are super proud of you and the way you represented the school.



Here is Noah's match report.....

On Wednesday, 8 children (me, Ava, Erika, Jack, Scarlett, Ronin, Jamie and Aidan) went to Rednock to compete in a football tournament against 3 other schools. We played really well and worked well as a team. We came fourth and loved it.

Poppy Appeal

Just another word of thanks. £28.71 was donated in exchange for your children's poppies this year. The children had an extra special worship with a display of remembrance and paid their respects to the fallen with two minutes of silence. Another way of showing our value of Humility.

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)

************REMINDERS********

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. Please spread the word far and wide and if you are able to put a poster up then pop into the school office and we will print one out for you.

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Stephanie, Ffion, Violet

Owls: Oscar

Attendance:

Robins -97.7%

Owls - 95.5%

Humility:

Values Certificates:

Robins: Oscar Morgan **Owls:** Noah Carter

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Elise for keeping going, despite feeling missing numbers were never going to be

found!

Owls: Harry Parker for showing enthusiasm and determination in maths 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

Celebration Worship – Friday 22nd November – 2:45pm Drop in session – Friday 29th November – 2:30pm Church Worship – Thursday 2nd December – 9:00am Coffee morning- Tuesday 17th December - 9.00am.

FOCS Dates

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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