



## Cowbit St Mary's Church of England Primary School Newsletter- Term 4

As we draw to the end of another term, it's time to embrace the beauty of spring and the spirit of renewal that are just around the corner. We're thrilled to extend warm Easter greetings to you and your family! It's a time of joy, reflection, and cherished traditions, and here at Cowbit St Mary's Church of England Primary School we're excited to celebrate this special occasion with your children.

### Red Nose Day



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose Day. We invite your child to wear red or wear something funny for money for a monetary donation towards Comic Relief. We will also be selling pin badges from Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March for 50p a badge. If you wish to purchase a badge, please send 50p in a sealed envelope with your child's name on to Mrs Matthews in the office.

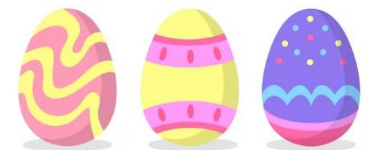
### Friends of Cowbit

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to our Friends of Cowbit for all the work they have been doing this term. They have raised an amazing £167 from the Mother's Day gifts and Mother's Day raffle, which wouldn't be possible without your continued support. Friends of Cowbit are always looking for new members, so if you are interested in joining and have any ideas for future fundraising events, please speak to Mrs Cornwell.



### Easter Activities

Friends of Cowbit will be running their annual Easter egg hunt on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Every child will receive an egg kindly donated by the Friends of Cowbit.



There will also be an Easter raffle with over twenty prizes donated by staff and governors. Tickets are available on the gate from Friends of Cowbit or payable online through their Facebook page. Tickets are £1 a strip.

### Sponsorship event with Sean Rose

The children enjoyed a fun and informative afternoon with Sean Rose, a paralympic skier, and I would like to thank you for your support with sponsorship. We raised £104 to help the athletes with their work and raised a further £156 to spend on sports equipment for the school. Prizes will be sent out shortly to those who hit certain fundraising targets.

## Parent Governor

Following our first letter for a parent governor, nobody has come forward for the role. We will shortly be advertising the governor role again but if you are interested please speak to Mrs Carol Clark, our chair of governors. The Governing Body, with the Head Teacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governing bodies have three core strategic functions.

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction.
- Holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils.
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

The role of governor can be demanding but very rewarding. Parent governors serve a four-year term of office.



## Swimming

Years 4/5/6 start swimming on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. A letter will follow shortly, we kindly ask for a £3 contribution towards each session to help with transport costs which have risen to £105 per session. We need all children to have parental permission, given on ParentPay, for the swimming sessions so we are able to take them. The bus will leave at 12.30pm for a 1pm lesson. Please make sure your child has their swimming kit every Monday, this will be instead of P.E on a Friday. Morpurgo class will still need to come to school in their P.E kit on a Wednesday please.

## Staffing

Mr Fitzgerald will be leaving us at Easter as his supply contract ends. I would like to thank Mr Fitzgerald for all his hard work and support this term, he will be greatly missed. We have now appointed a permanent teacher, Miss Emily Dean, who will join us from 15<sup>th</sup> April as the class teacher in Dahl class. We look forward to welcoming Miss Dean to our team.

This term shall end on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. We hope you have a wonderful Easter and a very relaxing break! Term 5 starts on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 for the children as we have an inset day on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Leonard