



Coaley Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good week and have been doing all the things you've needed to in the time available. At school, this term seems to get busier and busier with all the exciting things we try to cram in and this year is no exception. Despite the COVID restrictions, we are still trying to give the children memorable experiences that we hope they will always remember, from the PGL week for the Owls to the Arts/Environmental week for the whole school.

We have a packed programme of events for the Arts week. In fact, we've probably overfilled the week with invited artists and environmentalists, as well as the teachers and TAs working in their own classes on special arty topics. There is a timetable attached so you can see what we are doing, which also includes Bikeability for the Owls!

We have some members of Coaley CAN coming into make a HUGE Bug Hotel in the corner of the field on Tuesday 13th July. It will be really wonderful to set this area of the field up as a special nature area and this special bug home will help start this up. Ben Bywater (Bella's Dad), who is a member of Coaley CAN, has asked for a number of items to help make it a really lovely place to house lots of bugs and animals at school. If you have anything listed below to help, please can you drop them off at school (car park area) and we will store them until the 13th.

- Bricks (ideally with holes drilled in but we can do this on day as need be)
- Small logs and sticks
- Wood chip
- Planks
- Tubes of various sizes and length
- Bamboo canes
- Flower pots, both ceramic and plastic
- Roof tiles
- Straw and hay
- Moss
- Dry leaves
- Pine cones
- Sand

We are hoping to hold Sports day on Monday 19th of July. I am hoping to invited a limited number of parents in for it too, if we can still have groups of 30 on the school site by then. The situation is quite fluid at the moment as we are having conflicting advice so I'm still seeking clarification on whether I can do this. I will let you know as soon as I can. It might be in shifts, so we can accommodate everyone, but as soon as I know, I will let you know too.

Yours

Richard Lucas
Executive Headteacher

Arts and Environment Week 12th – 16th July

Day	am/pm	Robins	Starlings	Owls
Monday	am	Claire Hill from Paint a Pot in Nailsworth is working with all of the children (in bubbles) to create a display in school by each child painting a tile based on “What Coaley means to you”.		
	pm	Designing bags from recyclable materials.	Redwing Gate - Tour & sustainability talk, to learn about hedgehog highways.	Designing hats from recyclable materials.
Tuesday	am	Paint a Pot – Finishing tiles for Claire to take away for firing. Finished display is due in new academic year.		
	pm	Coaley CAN Bug Hotel Building – all classes to take part at various points in the afternoon.		
	pm	PE/Forest School – with input to the Bug Hotel.	Designing jewellery from recycled materials.	Virtual Knex Competition Celebration.
Wednesday	am	Creating their bag designs.		Bikeability (small groups) Steel Pan Workshop.
	am/pm	Miss Lauren Burley – Rednock Art Teacher and inspiring artist will be providing virtual lessons for the children to create a 3D piece of art to be displayed within school, based on the environment and the life who thrive within it.		
	pm		Creating their jewellery designs.	Bikeability (small groups) Steel Pan Workshop.
Thursday	am	More from Miss Burley’s virtual lessons to finish insects and animals for the display.	Steel Pan Workshops – Mrs Holmes is our music teaching volunteer. An amazing musical experience of how beautiful sounds can be created by recycled materials.	Bikeability (small groups) Creating their hat designs.
	pm	Balinese (Monkey Chant) with Mrs Holmes.	PE/Creative Forest School lesson.	Bikeability (small groups) PE/Creative Forest School lesson.
Friday	am	Fashion Show – The Robins bag creations.	Fashion Show – The Starlings jewellery creations.	Fashion Show – The Owls hat creations.
	pm	Celebration Worship & Bikeability Certificate Presentation.		

Thank you to all of the individuals, Claire Hill, Lauren Burley, Coaley CAN, and Gill Holmes, who have volunteered their own time to make this week a valuable, enjoyable and remarkable experience for all of us here at Coaley School. Also to the Teachers TA’s, Mrs Levan and MDSA’s who are giving so much of their own time to support the children in this week of fun and activity. Look out for some fantastic photos in the newsletter of this week, and on the website!

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Leo

Starlings: Arthur

Owls: Harry M, Sammy, Phoebe

Values Certificates:

Robins: Charlotte

Starlings: Ben

Owls: Lucas R

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Theo for understanding and explaining how to use the conjunction “but”.

Starlings: Jasmine for keeping on trying in maths challenges without giving up.

Owls: Oscar C for having such a “can do” attitude towards our maths this week.

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June Dates

Tuesday 29th June, 3.20pm – Raffles Camping Parent Information event (Y5 & Y6)

July Dates

Monday 5th July till Friday 9th July – Y5 & Y6 Residential Week (28th June closing date for consents)

Monday 12th July till Friday 16th July – Whole School Arts & Environment week (details above)

Wednesday 14th July till Friday 16th July – Bikeability for Y6

Wednesday 21st July – Last day of term

FOCS Future Events:

We need a new FOCS team for September 2021!.....please contact Mrs Astley if you are interested in offering some time to organise some fun events and raise funds for the benefit of the children.

Please note- Dates and times are subject to change, and depend on Covid restriction updates. We will advise you of any changes as soon as possible.