



Coaley Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been a bit of a special week and we have reached the end of term on such a positive note.

First of all, on Tuesday, our Worship Team (or Dream team!) put together an amazing Harvest Worship in St Bartholomew's Church. We were joined by lots of parents, grandparents and family members, as well as the amazing Coaley Village Playgroup, to share in the Worship and present all the food we had brought in for the local foodbank. The prayers and stories were wonderful and the confidence of the children was a delight to see. Thank you to the church for being so welcoming and for tidying up the mess I made on the floor!

Also, on Tuesday afternoon, the School Council went on a fact finding mission to see what other school libraries looked like and came back with lots of notes and photographs on what they found out. A huge thank you to Mrs Bywater who helped to transport the children to Slimbridge and Uley Primary Schools. We still have lots of work to do but the children now have lots of ideas to start redesigning our school library and a big list of books to buy.

And finally, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, we had our first parents' evening of the year and I was delighted to see so many come into school and find out about how well their children are doing. It was lovely to be able to introduce myself to the parents who I hadn't yet met as well as say hello to the ones that I have. There were so many positive comments about how well your children are doing and what they need to do next to improve. It reminded me a lot of our school. We have come so far and always looking at the next steps for improvement to become even better.

I would also like to say a personal thank you for you all making me feel so welcome this first term. I have loved my first term at Coaley and I can just see things getting better and better for our school.

Richard Lucas
Executive Headteacher

Alan Jenner

We were very Lucky to have the dynamic Alan Jenner visit the school again this Tuesday. This time he told the story of Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41) through his art. We interviewed Noah and Jack about their experience and they explained that Jesus helped to stop a storm when he and his disciples were on a boat. The disciples were afraid that they would die but Jesus calmed them and reminded them that their faith would see them through and that he would help protect them. Noah and Jack helped to paint the picture and were proud to tell us that they "did the yellow bits".



★Bonfire Bangers

★ We have a special menu for our first day back after half term. Tuesday 5th November. A
★ Guy Fawkes Day feast!

- ★ **Bonfire Bangers (Hot Dogs)**
- ★ **Catherine Wheels (Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel)**
- ★ **Jumping Jacket Wedges**
- ★ **Bonfire Baked Beans**
- ★ **Homemade Toffee Apple Pudding**

★Open Morning

★ Many of you have younger children who are looking for their school places next September. Or maybe you have
★ friends in the same position. We are delighted to announce our open morning 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.
★ Coaley Playgroup will also be open at the same time so please take the opportunity to have a look around both and
★ see how the two settings work together to provide education to our children.

★Coaley Fireworks

★ Sunday 3rd November at 5.30pm sees our annual FOCS firework display. Tickets are £4 for adults and children over 4
★ £2. This is always a well-supported event by not only families in the school but also the wider community. The
★ money raised from this, and all the events that FOCS put on, goes directly to the children. Things have been
★ purchased in the past such as ipads and there is a surprise coming soon.....

★ **FOCS still need helpers for this event. Please, please can you sign up a small amount of time to help out. These
★ events cannot take place without parents donating a little of their time.
★ Thank you.**

★Stranger Danger

★ Onto a more serious note.
★ Due to a recent incident in the Stroud District, we ask that all parents discuss with their children "Stranger Danger".
★ With half term coming up and children need their independence to grow and develop it seems even more pertinent
★ to visit the subject. The NSPCC have some great information on their website about this. Click on this link to read
★ more <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/staying-safe-away-from-home/>

★Poppy Appeal

★ We now have poppies available for your children to purchase ready for Remembrance Day, 11th November. They will
★ be here after half term in the foyer so if your child would like one then send them in with their donations.

★Cheques

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

★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)



The school gets a 30% commission when the school photos are ordered online. Can we encourage you to place your orders via the Tempest website by Monday 4th November.

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Clementine, Anna-Mae, Ben and Violet.
Owls: Oscar, Noah, William, Erika, Poppy, Sam, Iyla, Phoebe, Rosa and Jude.

Attendance:

Robins – 97.5%
Owls – 93.2%

Respect :

Values Certificates:

Robins: Ellie
Owls: Lara

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Ffion for being a true “Try-a-saurus” in Maths!

Owls: Ava for working really hard on new learning tasks this week. You have tried really hard! Well done.

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 8th November – 2:45pm

Children in Need – Friday 15th November (this year’s theme: Extremely colourful sportswear....details to follow).

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

FOCS Dates

Coaley Fireworks - Sunday 3rd November 2019 - 5:30pm

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.

WE ARE COALEY - We Believe

We Respect

We Belong