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Friday 9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another incredibly busy and productive few weeks at Coaley, with lots of exciting learning taking place across the school. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us in classrooms last Friday to share in your child's learning. It was wonderful to hear so many positive comments about the progress children are making and the impressive amount of work they have already completed this academic year.

I would also like to thank everyone for parking so thoughtfully and considerately during drop-off and collection times. Your support helps to keep our children, families and residents safe. As a reminder, the rear car park at the Village Hall is usually underused and provides a safe alternative for families. I have recently been informed that a fish van visits Coaley (at the front of the village hall) every Tuesday afternoon at 3.00pm. Villagers have kindly asked that parents and carers leave the coned-off space at the main entrance to the Village Hall clear so that the vehicle can access the site easily. This service is widely valued and used by members of our community, and respecting this reserved space will help ensure that it can continue to operate in the village.

It has been wonderful to see our pupil leaders embracing their roles with such pride and enthusiasm. Children have been wearing their leadership badges proudly, and several groups have already held meetings and begun taking on new responsibilities. I am continually impressed by their initiative and commitment, and I look forward to sharing more of their work and achievements with you in the coming weeks.

Earlier this week, I had the pleasure of visiting the Cotswold Homes development in Coaley with Daisy, Lily and Martha. You may remember that Mrs King and I took a group of children to the site over a year ago when work was only just beginning and foundations were being laid. It was fantastic to return and see how the development has progressed. The children had the opportunity to explore the beautiful show home and visit another property nearing completion. It was particularly exciting to see some of our pupils' competition-winning designs incorporated into the study. Our children were keen to test out the comfortability of every bed in the house! We are extremely grateful to Cotswold Homes for their continued engagement with our school and for providing such meaningful opportunities for our children to connect with developments within their local community.







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Today, I am delighted to be accompanying our Year 2 children on a visit to Hatherley Infants, one of our Trust schools. This visit will provide a valuable opportunity for children to meet pupils from a wide range of backgrounds, learn about different cultures and worldviews, and broaden their understanding of the diverse communities that make up our wider world. We are excited to invite them and other year groups to our school later in the year.

Thank you for your continued support,

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

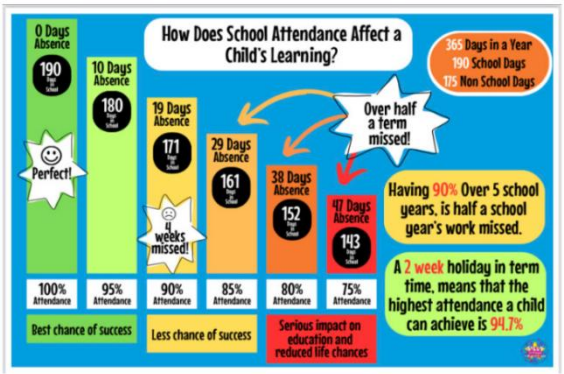
Best wishes

Miss Thomas
Headteacher



Attendance

Our vision: Every child in school, on time, EVERY DAY!



58 children have 100% attendance this term!

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Diary dates

Week 7 Afterschool Clubs	12th Oct 9.00am- Coaley Open Day 2 for prospective 27-28 Reception children	13th Oct	14th Oct	15th Oct	16th Oct 9.00am- Reading parent workshop for Starlings
Week 8	19th Oct 3.30-5.30- Parents' Evening 1	20th Oct	21st Oct Individual and sibling photographs	22nd Oct 3.30-5.30- Parents' Evening 2	23rd Oct 2.45- Celebration Worship

Operation Christmas Child 2026

We kindly ask that all donations are brought into school by Friday 23rd October. Thank you for your generosity!



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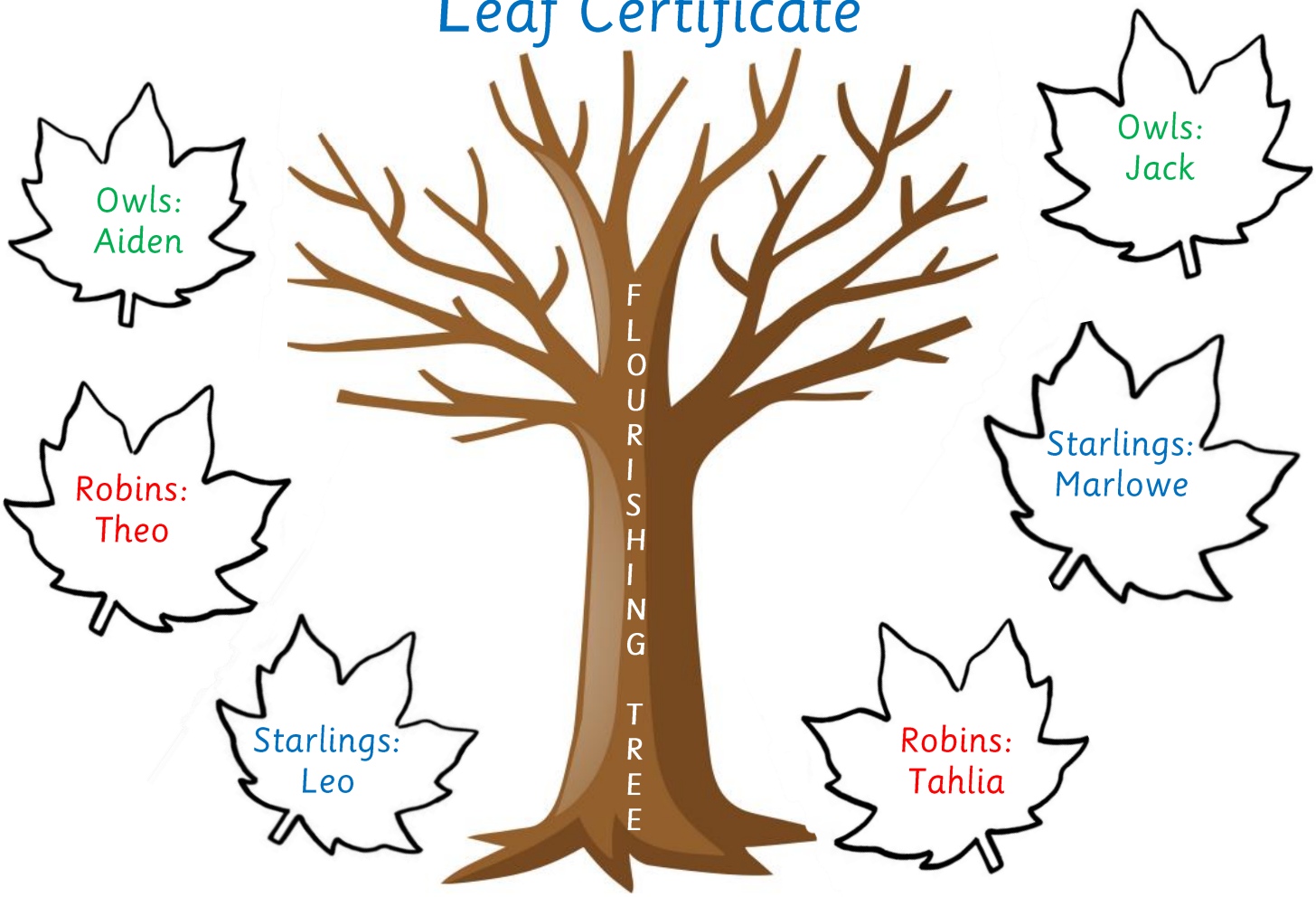
Leaf Certificate

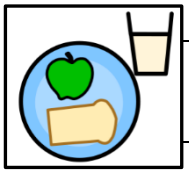


Values Certificate

Respect Humility Compassion Forgiveness Courage Truth

Robins	Edith	Imogen
Starlings	Dougie D	Poppie B
Owls	Evalyne	Sammy

Lunchtime Certificate



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COALEY RECREATION GROUND
CRAG EVENTS
What's Coming Up!
10 October 10am – Nature Morning
10 October 7.00pm – Quiz of Quizzes
18 October 10am–12 – Rec Clean-Up
31 October, 5–8pm – Halloween Trail & Disco
PUB QUIZ
16 November, 7pm – Old Fox Pub Quiz
21 November, 10am – Adopt a Tree Planting
(National Tree Week)
To find out more visit: www.coaleyrecreationground.co.uk
Find us on Facebook
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COALEY
NATURE
MORNING
Worms & Compost
Saturday 10th October
10am – 12 midday
Coaley Village Hall
Proudly sponsored by:
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Learn all about our worms and compost.
All ages welcome.
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