

# Coaley Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Miss Jen Thomas

Friday 19th March 2024

Dear Parent/ Carers,

It has been another busy week at Coaley and children have enjoyed making the most of our wonderful grounds during break and lunchtime when the sun has surfaced. I must begin by sharing some very exciting news which makes me incredibly proud. A group of four pupils from Owls represented our school for the second time in the Nature Quiz earlier this week. I am absolutely delighted to share that they won and are now through to the FINALS! The level of knowledge they demonstrated was outstanding. A huge well done to you all!

Thank you to all of you who attended the parent coffee morning last week, it was wonderful to hear your feedback and ideas. I appreciate that many of you had work commitments so I will continue to host these at different times each term to suit as many of you as possible.

Thank you to those who attended the Coaleyfest meeting and to the organisers; your passion and commitment to raising school funds through such a fantastic event is appreciated hugely. Please keep an eye out for further information about this event coming soon!

Best wishes, Miss Thomas

## What you told us about the strengths of our school...



- The community spirit and family feel
- How easy it is to catch up with teachers and how approachable all staff are
- An inclusive environment that gives plenty of attention to children and their needs.
- Very nurturing with a holistic approach.
- Children are happy and flourish here
- Sharing children's work during enrichment week and in celebration worship.
- The great outside space & outdoor learning opportunities
- Great communication





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# As a family, we flourish

During Collective Worship this week, we revisited our school vision and discussed its meaning and value. We talked about members of our school family and what flourishing looks like. We identified the gifts and talents we have all been blessed with and how these make us all special and unique.



These balloons are like happiness. We will never find it if everyone is looking for their own. If however, we care about other people's happiness, we'll find our own too! Just like our school vision, if we face things alone, like when we tried to find our own balloon, it can be challenging and overwhelming. If we come together, as a family, we can achieve great things and flourish together.



To recognise the value of flourishing together as a family, each of the pupils participated in a fun activity. I threw 72 balloons into the middle of the hall, each balloon had a child's name on and I challenged the children to find their balloon without using any verbal communication. Although the children were extremely respectful, it proved difficult for many children to find their balloon amongst the busy crowds.





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#### Dates for the diary

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**- Forest School for Robins instead of Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 26th April- FOCS School Disco

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April- Deadline for Parent

Governor Ballot (in school foyer)

Monday 6th May- Bank holiday

Monday 13th May- Year 6 KS2 SATs week,

Reception & Y6 heights & weights

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May- Scholastic book fair in school

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May- Y4/5/6 swimming begins

Friday 24th May- Last day of Term 5

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June- Term 6 begins

Wednesday 5th June- Wildlife Quiz Final

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June**- Y1 & 2 Multisports at Rednock

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 4pm**- Field Athletics at Rednock

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 5pm**- Track athletics at Rednock

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June**- Y6 Leavers at Glos Cathedral

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June- Coaley Y6 Residential Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June- Robins Swimming & Y4

In the Net

Saturday 29th June- Coaleyfest

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July- Y5/6 Rounders

Tournament

Friday 5th July- Sports Day (parents in pm)

Monday 8th July- Reserve Sports Day

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July**- Y6 Rednock Meet the Tutor

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July- Y6 Rednock Induction day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm- Last day of academic year

Every Friday at 2.45pm- Celebration Worship in the hall, all welcome!

### Proud Cloud Certificates

Robins: Evalyne

Starlings: Jack

Owls: Daisy

### Value Certificates

Robins: Lily

Starlings: Lochlan

Owls: Ellie

#### **Growth Mindset Certificates**

**Robins:** Iris for explaining the properties of materials using scientific language.

**Starlings:** Albert for always challenging himself on the maths deepen it.

Owls: Arya for always giving

100% in all of your work





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Children thoroughly enjoyed their 'With the Ball' session last week. Each class had a wonderful session with Ritchie and Laura, developing the ball skills.

There are still spaces available in their afterschool club if your child would like to join.







