



Cogenhoe Primary School

Friday 24th May 2024

Inspire. Aspire. Achieve!

Dear Families,

A huge well done to our Year 6 children and our dedicated teaching team! What a week for our BRILLIANT Year 6 children! Each and every one of them truly showed our school values of confidence, courage and pride and tried their very best in each and every single SATs paper.

We are so very proud of our children - well done Year 6, you did it! A special mention must also go to all of the teachers and support staff who prepare the children so wonderfully for these tests, thank you to each and every one of you and a special mention to Mr Evans for organising it all whilst teaching!

All our teachers attended the NVP trust writing moderation session this week where we all look at our writing outcomes in books. I am delighted to report that our teacher judgements have all been verified and our outcomes are very strong this year especially in Year 6 - well done to Mrs Prescott who teaches writing in both Year 5 and 6 to a very high standard.

We have plenty of exciting days booked in for next half term, including Cogenhoe's Got Talent, Sports Day, our Year 6 Residential, Leaver's Assembly and Aspiration Day. If you would like to come into school and share your job role or a life changing experience, please do contact the office. We would love you join us as we encourage all our children to Inspire, Aspire and Achieve together on our Cogenhoe journey.

We wish all our children a very well-deserved holiday.



This Term Value is
Compassion



Dates for your diary.

- 20th June - Year 1 Showcase Assembly (Year group parents/Carers only)
- 14th June - Father's Day Pop-Up Shop
- 21st June - Sports Day
- 12th July - Cogenhoe's Got Talent
- 24th June-28th June - Year 6 Residential
- 27th June - EYFS Showcase Assembly, Year Group parents/Carers only)
- 28th June - Year 3 Learning Showcase (Year Group Parents/Carers only)
- 11th July - Rocksteady Concert
- 12th July - Showcase Assembly - Year 6 (Year Group Parents/carers only)
- 18th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Attendance Summary

- Preschool - 94.2%
- Reception - 96.6%
- Year 1 - 97.4%
- Year 2 - 96%
- Year 3 - 96%
- Year 4 - 96.1%
- Year 5 - 95.7%
- Year 6 - 95.9%
- Overall - 96.2%

Please remember how important attendance is!





Cogenhoe Primary School's very own Karen Prescott and Nikki Mould, from Kids On Keys, have shared the exciting news that they are competing in ITV's Britain's Got Talent! They are part of the Northants Sings Out Choir who auditioned in Manchester, winning support of all four judges and a standing ovation from the crowd.

The Northants Sings Out Choir (NSO) comprised of 60 singers from Northants and choir director Gareth Fuller conducted them through a rendition of the gospel song 'It is Well With My Soul' before switching to the 90's club classic 'Show Me Love.'

Did you miss it?

Do not worry, you can catch the performance here:



There was another very special moment for NSO this week, The Queen of Pop herself, MADONNA, shared a reel of NSO singing with her 19 million followers! From that, on Monday Chris Evans also shared our reel after talking about the choir on his Virgin Radio Breakfast Show.

We need *your* support to help us on our journey...

Follow our journey on social media: @northantssingsout

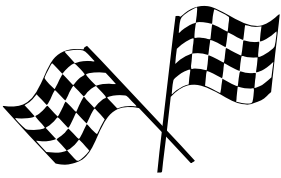
We are on Instagram, TikTok and Facebook.

Please like, comment and share our posts with all of your family and friends!

Waendel Wagtail Walkers!

We are incredibly proud of our 12 Cogenhoe Wagtail Walkers, who smashed an amazing 15k of the International Waendel Walk, in order to raise funds for our fabulous Forest School provision. We are just waiting for some final donations to come through, then we can reveal our grand total! Well done Team!





A Visit from Mrs Evans

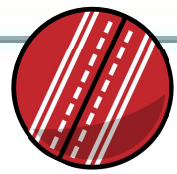


Special thanks goes out to Mrs Evans, who came into school to speak with our year 6 pupils about the varied and exciting work opportunities surrounding Formula 1. They were lucky enough to take a close look at some F1 safety wear, which included a very special looking helmet, lightweight carbon fibre race boots, safety gloves and race suit. Our Year 6's found the talk incredibly captivating and had some wonderful questions for our guest.

Thanks again!



Y5 Cricket



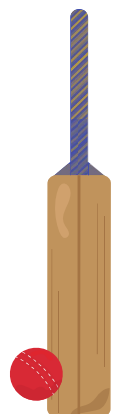
Last week, 10 Y5 children visited Wellingborough School to take part in a cricket tournament.

There were 8 teams, and we were split into two groups.

We showed some amazing skills – Everly scoring 2 6's on the bounce; Seb C with incredible bowling accuracy, even taking the catch after he had bowled to the player. The entire team were not just proficient at batting and fielding, but showed real tactical knowledge as they maintained their conversations during the game, attempting to outwit their opponents.

We played magnificently, only missing out on a place in the final by 3 runs – 159 to 162.

Overall, a wonderful afternoon's cricket was enjoyed by all.





Y4 Hockey tournament

On Tuesday, six Y4 children took part in a hockey tournament at Wrenn School in Wellingborough. The afternoon began with the Young Leaders from Wrenn School taking the children to complete some warm-up drills and exercises, to ensure they are familiar with techniques required in the games. There were 9 teams taking part in the event – split into three groups of 3. Each group played the other teams in their group in games of 8min / half. There were only 4 players allowed on the pitch, so we rotated our subs. We had two tough matches, but the children were strong and resilient, winning both games 3-2 and 2-1 respectively.

The 9 teams were then regrouped into the three 1st place teams; three second and three 3rd place. We were in the 1st placed group. By now the rain was coming down and the surface was becoming tricky to maintain grip. Both games were tough and unfortunately, this time, we were beaten. The games were extremely well fought. Sophia showed fantastic skill at manoeuvring the ball around the pitch and scoring several of our goals; Logan made some incredible blocks, which kept us in the games.

All the team members worked incredibly hard to keep possession of the ball and were extremely supportive of each other's efforts. The children came a well-deserved 3rd out of the 9 teams and were rewarded with a bronze medal.

Well done Cogenhoe!





Mystery Reader



We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to the lovely Mr Monk for being our surprise Mystery Reader after our Celebration Assembly. The children really do enjoy this time to sit and read with our guest and as always, we really do appreciate the time our Mystery Readers take out of your day to spend reading with our children.



ENCOURAGING HEALTHY FRIENDSHIPS

Navigating the complexities of childhood and adolescent friendships can be challenging – but with the right guidance, children and young people can cultivate meaningful, supportive relationships, some of which may last for many years. These top tips provide a comprehensive approach to fostering healthy friendships among children and young people. It's important to remember, however, that each child is different, and will require an individual approach to relationship support.

1 GRANT FRIENDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Encouraging children and young people to join extracurricular activities can foster healthy friendships by providing shared interests and common ground. Engaging in these pastimes offers a platform for interaction, sometimes alleviating the social pressure of knowing what to say, and helps children develop meaningful connections.

2 LEAD BY EXAMPLE

The children and young people in our lives see how we behave, the connections that we've made and the interactions between us and others. When we model healthy friendships, we set an example and help youngsters to understand what healthy friendships looks like and how to navigate them.

3 HELP THEM LOVE THEMSELVES

Healthy friendships aren't just about dynamics with other people. They're about our relationship with ourselves. For overall wellbeing, it's important for a child to have the space to build their self-esteem and a positive self-image, as these factors can have a notable influence on the friendships they form throughout life.

4 MONITOR SCREEN TIME

Too much screen time can affect some children's wellbeing in general, but it can specifically impact friendships if it results in fewer positive social interactions. In some cases, reducing screen time and encouraging children and young people to find ways to interact face-to-face can have positive results. It's also important to remember that young people can make positive friendships online, but they will require support to do this safely.

5 TEACH PROBLEM-SOLVING

Inevitably, friendships can run into problems. However, this is also an opportunity to support children and young people to work through any difficulties that may arise. It can be tempting to intervene and try to fix these issues for those involved, but helping them consider ways of resolving conflict or managing difficult situations for themselves can help them create stronger friendships.

6 EMPOWER THE CHILD

When we give children and young people the confidence to choose their friends, navigate interpersonal boundaries and consider how they want to interact with the different people around them, we empower them to take control of the friendships they have. When young people feel in control of these things, they're more likely to make positive choices and remain aware of the signs of a negative relationship.

7 TEACH EMPATHY

Healthy friendships' doesn't always mean perfect. Sometimes, disagreements can happen. When we teach children and young people to have empathy, we help them to see both sides of a relationship, to be mindful of the challenges a friend might be facing or whatever else might be going on. This can help children and young people to build stronger friendships.

8 BE OPEN TO QUESTIONS

Talking to young people about their friendships, who they spend time with and who they interact with can open the door to questions if they have concerns. Initially, these queries may be straightforward, but if we are receptive to discussion from the outset, young people are more likely to come to us for help when they are older as well.

9 UNDERSTAND BOUNDARIES

One of the keys to a healthy friendship is honouring boundaries. This can include anything from respecting personal space and belongings to acceptable language and behaviour. Understanding the importance of setting these limits and upholding those set by others can help children stay safe. If young people figure out their boundaries and feel comfortable enforcing them, they're more likely to call someone out if they go too far.

10 SPOT THE SIGNS

We can't always supervise young people; sometimes, we need to step back and give them some space. However, it's important to consider any indicators that they may be struggling in their friendships. Are they becoming increasingly irritable? Does their behaviour alter when they've been with their friends? Are they becoming withdrawn or reluctant to take part in certain activities? These could all be signs that they're finding things difficult, and we should remain alert to such changes.

Meet Our Expert

Becky Dawson is an experienced educator who has worked in primary and secondary schools for 20 years. She is a facilitator, consultant and coach working with young people and the adults who work with them, with a focus on developing understanding and skills around mental health, wellbeing and safeguarding.



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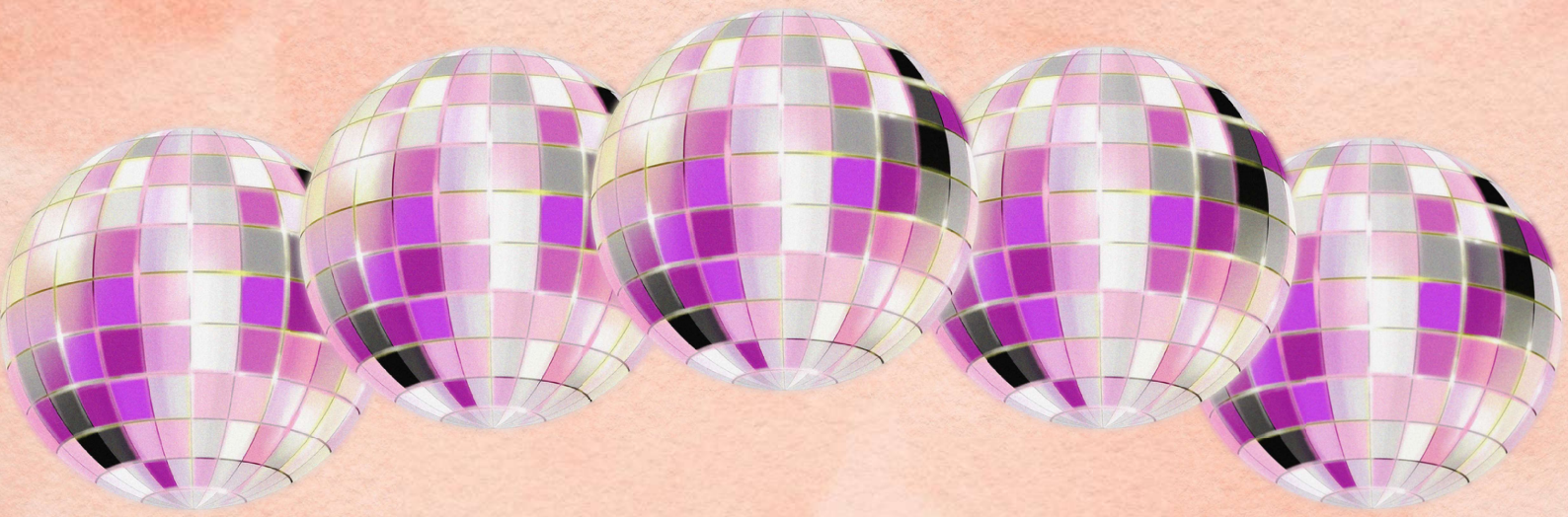
Saturday 29th June 2024 / Spinney Theatre

STEPbySTEP
Dance School

Strictly Northampton



is BACK!





Learning to grow through play, nature and discovery...

Little Explorers is a child-centred pre-school, with its own Forest School, based within Cogenhoe Primary School on the outskirts of Northampton. We work in partnership with parents to achieve the highest outcomes for all of our children.

Our main aim is to provide a secure and happy environment, where each individual truly thrives socially, academically, culturally, physically, emotionally and intellectually. Every child we care for deserves a calm, caring and stimulating setting, enabling them to become successful, life-long learners!

Our pre-school offers:

- ✓ Newly established Forest School
- ✓ Welcoming children from 3 yrs
- ✓ Vast outdoor area & excellent facilities
- ✓ One form entry (no mixed classes)
- ✓ Dedicated & experienced staff
- ✓ Wrap around care available before & after school
- ✓ Programme meets the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum
- ✓ We accept government childcare funding (which can be split over two different providers)
- ✓ Member of the Nene Valley Partnership Trust

Grow



Discover



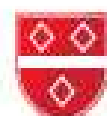
Play



Contact us:

Email admin@cogenhoe-school.net or call 01604 890380 to book your bespoke, personalised tour and meet our team.

We look forward to welcoming you into the Cogenhoe family!



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Forest Tots

➤ Starting Tue 27th Feb

Exploring nature through hands-on, fun, outdoor play...

Love exploring, learning, playing and adventuring outdoors?
Fond of puddle jumping or a fan of climbing?
Want to experience something different with your child?
Then Cogenhoe Forest Tots group is for you!

Our forest school has a relaxed, child-led approach with play at the heart of our ethos. Children learn with their whole bodies: walking, jumping, searching, smelling and feeling, all the time absorbing the world around them. Our hands-on activities produce muddy children with happy faces and brains that are inspired by nature!

Cogenhoe Forest Tots offers:

- ✓ Sessions suitable from 18m - 5 years (accompanied by a parent/carer)
- ✓ Each session includes a drink & snack
- ✓ Accessible toilets
- ✓ A passionate & dedicated Forest School Leader
- ✓ A fun way to grow in confidence & independence
- ✓ A place to make new friends in a beautiful setting
- ✓ Activities may include: story-telling, tool use, den building, woodland crafts, campfires, mud kitchen fun & exploring bug hotels

Book your sessions:

Day/Time: Tuesdays 10 - 11.30am (Starting 27th Feb)

Venue: Cogenhoe Primary School, York Avenue NN7 1NB

Cost: £35 for a five week block of sessions

Book: Email admin@cogenhoe-school.net or call 01604 890380

Please ensure your child is suitably dressed for all weathers

Tuesdays

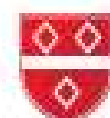
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