



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 13th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, I hope that you have all had a good week and are very much looking forward to the weekend with your children. It's been a busy first full week of school and, as always, there's a lot to share.

Welcome back Mrs. Marks – we've missed you!

Those of you who have popped into the school office this week or have phoned the school office will probably have spotted that one of our 'front of house' admin team: Mrs. Marks is back at work. She has been absent for a few months due to a health issue but is now, thankfully, fully recovered. We are thrilled to have her back where she belongs, meeting and greeting parents, carers and children in her usual happy way. She isn't quite back up to her full hours yet but will be soon. Therefore, you may continue to be greeted by Mrs. Witham, who has done a fantastic job in Mrs. Mark's absence. We are blessed at The Coppice to have such a fantastic admin team, which also includes Mrs. White and Mr. Webster and it's great to be back to a full complement of staff.

Thank you Jemma – you've been amazing!

On Monday evening, at our PTA (Parent and Teacher Association) meeting, we said thank you and goodbye to our wonderful Chair of PTA: Jemma Plumb. Jemma has been an incredible leader of the PTA for a number of years now and, because of her drive and tireless commitment, and ably supported by her excellent team of volunteers. The school and children have benefitted hugely from the money that has been raised. For example. The Adventure Zone, Quad area and library have all been possible, in full or part, due to this PTA fundraising. The future redevelopment of our playgrounds will also be benefitting very soon. Without Jemma and her team, these developments wouldn't have happened.

PTA – an appeal for help!

Linked to the above, if you are able to offer some of your time to help support the PTA, this would be hugely appreciated! Without the on-going support of PTA volunteers from all year groups, fun events for the children in these year groups e.g. film nights, discos, The Summer Revel and Christmas Market won't be able to happen or continue, which will be a great shame, particularly for the children.

There are two types of volunteer that we are looking for:

1) Parents, carers or grandparents (male or female) who are willing and able to attend PTA meetings and events. There is a monthly face-to-face meeting and these are held sometimes in the evenings and sometimes during the school day. We fully understand that it is not always possible to attend all of the meetings every time but a commitment to attend most of them is required.

As a perk for taking on the above role, we allow the above level of PTA members priority booking with parents' evening times and front row seats at your child's events.

2)Occasional volunteers who can help supervise one or two events over the course of the year. This would be someone (parent, carer, grandparent) who can't give the level of commitment as outlined above but is able to do something. These people are still incredibly needed and important so please volunteer if this sounds like what you are able to offer.

If you are interested, please email the PTA on thecoppiceschoolpta@gmail.com

or get in touch on Facebook at: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/coppiceps/>

Our PTA are a fantastic group of people and please be assured that you'll receive a very warm welcome from them! We very much hope to hear from you and the children will greatly benefit if you do!

School Council:

I'm delighted to announce that The School Council is back! Its election was a little bit delayed this academic year due to Miss. Keogh leaving and Miss. Franklin and Miss. Danby taking over. However, 'real-life' democratic elections were held in the weeks before the Christmas break and children had chance to present their 'manifesto' before the elections were held. Thank you to all of the children who participated in this. At the end of the process, the following children were elected:

Y3 - Daria, Evelyn and Blake

Y4 - Florence, Madison and Maeva

Y5 - Ellie-May, Emilka and Daniel

Y6 - Seth, Evie and Poppy

Well done children – we know you'll do a great job!



Nursery and Reception Celebration assemblies:

Mrs. Ashwell and I had the pleasure of presenting celebration certificates to our Nursery and Reception children this week and they were wonderful occasions. The joy (and in some cases shock) on the children's faces when they heard their names were truly magical moments! The children, who had certificates presented on this occasion, also had some really lovely things said about them by their teachers and should be rightly proud of this. These children will have their photos published on their learning journeys so that their parents and carers can share this special moment with their child.

Huge congratulations Harper!

A couple of weeks before Christmas, I wrote about Harper, of musical theatre, dance and acting examinations. I therefore have huge pleasure in letting you know her results:

Musical Theatre - Passed with Honours star

Arco - Passed with honours star

Primary Tap - Passed with honours

Primary Classic Ballet - Passed with honours star.



Honours Star is the highest grade that can be achieved which shows how superbly Harper did in these exams. There were also some amazing comments from her examiners who said that her performances were: 'very confident', 'strong delivery', 'neatly shown', 'very confident acting and spoken words', 'tuneful voice well-projected' and 'neat content'.

Obviously, we are extremely proud of Harper at school and, as I've said before, we wish her all the very best on her dance and theatre journey. A West End star in the making I think!

That just leaves me to say that I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Who for?	What time?	Where?
20th Jan	Class assembly	5F	2.30pm	Infant Hall
23rd Jan	Family Science Night	Y3 & science ambassadors	4.30-5.30pm	Infant Hall
27th Jan	Flu vaccinations	Anyone giving permission via Vaccination UK website	During the school day	In school
2nd Feb	Upton Warren parent meeting	Y4 only	3.15	4AW classroom
14th, 15th & 16th Feb	Hearing screening	Reception classes	AM	Reception
15th Feb	Music Concert	Choir & instrument players	7pm	Infant Hall
17th Feb	Class assembly	5D	2.30	Infant Hall
20th -24th Feb	Half term	Everyone		
27th Feb	School re opens	Everyone	Normal times	

Term Dates - Academic Year 2022/2023

Holiday	School closes on (all usual school finishing time)	School re-opens on
Spring half term	Friday 17th February 2023	Monday 27th February 2023
Easter	Friday 31st March 2023	Monday 17th April 2023
Summer half term	Friday 26th May 2023	Monday 5th June 2023
Summer term ends	Friday 21st July 2023	See below
<u>Other closure days:</u>	Monday 1st May 2023 Monday 8th May 2023	May Day Bank holiday Coronation Day Holiday
<u>Summer Term TED days.</u>	Monday 24th July 2023	Tuesday 25th July 2023

Term Dates - Academic Year 2023/2024

Term/Holiday	School closes on (all usual school finishing time)	School re-opens on
Autumn Term	Not applicable	Wednesday 6th September 2023 (Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th September 2023 are TED days)
Autumn Half-Term	Friday 27th October 2023	Monday 6th November 2023
Christmas	Friday 22nd December 2023	Tuesday 9th January 2024 (Monday 8th January 2024 is a TED day)
Spring Half-Term	Friday 9th February 2024	Monday 19th February 2024
Easter	Friday 22nd March 2024	Monday 8th April 2024
Summer Half-Term	Friday 24th May 2024	Monday 3rd June 2024
Summer Term Ends	Friday 19th July 2024	Not applicable
Other Closure Days	Monday 6th May 2024 Monday 1st July 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024	Bank Holiday TED Day TED Day

Applications for Reception 2023

Very important for parents of Nursery aged children

All applications for Reception year places must have been submitted online by Sunday 15th January.

If you still have not applied for your child's place please follow this link

https://emsi.worcestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en

Themed menu - Thursday 19th January



HUNGRY CATERPILLER

Thursday 19th January

Choose from
Caterpillar Hot Dog
or
Veggie Hot Dog (v)

Served with
Munchy Chips, Butterfly Baked Beans
& Leafy Green Salad

Also available
Jacket Potato with Various Fillings

Followed by
Butterfly Cake
or
Fruity Jelly

Please pay and order via ParentPay.
If you have already submitted an order
for this date you will need to re-order.

A healthy food meal is important for children and young
people to keep healthy and improve their performance

FOODSMART
Be Macro SMART
FOR BODY AND BRAIN

AiP
GROUP OF
COMPANIES

Community News



Hollywood United FC Football Camp

We are excited to return during February half term holiday and will be running for 3 days - with football pitches and equipment all on site we are ready and raring to go!!! ⚽

February Half Term

**Mon 20th
Tues 21st
Wed 22nd**

Hours

8:30am - 3:30pm

Price

£18 per day

Book all 3 days and have a reduced fee of £50

We have indoor facilities for break / lunchtimes and for activities and games. Children will need to bring their own pack lunch and refreshments will be provided.

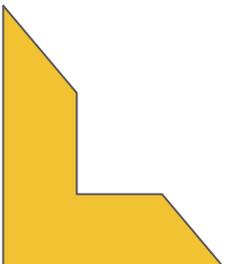
**Location – Woodrush Rugby/Football Club
Icknield Street, Birmingham, B38 OEL.**

**All coaches are FA Qualified, Enhanced
DBS and are First Aid trained!**

**Spaces are limited so please contact ASAP if you are interested for
your child**

**Many thanks
Jamie Petty
07833 085170**

HUFC Head Coach & Welfare Officer



Thank you for reading our Whole School Newsletter. Now click on the link below to access your Year Group Newsletters.

[Click here](#)

CONTACT US

School office –01564 826 709

School email—office@coppice.worcs.sch.uk

Text service - 07984441282 - Use this number to text a child's absence

OUR ONLINE LINKS

School website- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/>

Newsletter- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/>

PTA- <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/coppice/#.Wv1BYDQvypo>

Official Facebook page- <https://www.facebook.com/coppiceps/>

PTA Facebook group—<https://www.facebook.com/groups/320191721984039/>

