

The Coppice Whole School Newsletter Friday 13th October 2023

(Yellow edition for World Mental Health Day)

World Mental Health Day #HelloYellow

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children.

Appointment of new Parent Trustee:

I am very pleased to announce that, following our recent ballot process, we have appointed Bethany Reid as our new Parent Trustee. Bethany is mum to three children in the school and is an Early Years Teacher at another school. We wanted someone with an Early Years background so are thrilled to have her on board. Welcome to the Board of Trustees Bethany – we are really looking forward to working with you over the coming years. Many thanks also to Danielle Butler for putting herself forward and to all those parents and carers who voted.

World Mental Health day:

Thank you to everyone for your support with World mental Health Day. It was lovely to see so many children with yellow items added to their uniforms to mark the occasion. As you all know, the focus was to give the children an opportunity to partake in activities that could help them to relax and also to talk about other ones that they could try. The importance of children talking to someone if they ever feel stressed, anxious or worried was also discussed and reference was made to the 'Get Britain talking campaign' which is fronted by Ant and Dec. Many teachers commented to me about what a lovely afternoon they'd had and how much they'd loved seeing the children talking to each other during the activities. Please remember that we have many Mental Health resources on our website.

Can you help Daniel's shoebox appeal?

Further on in this newsletter, you will see an appeal from Daniel W in 6D, who is again organising a shoebox appeal. He is looking for donated items, which can then be packed into a shoebox and sent to Eastern Europe and Ukraine. These will obviously help those people who are greatly in need of these items. Please support him if you can because it's a wonderful thing that he's doing. Daniel wrote:

Dear Coppice families,

I am taking part in the Christmas shoebox appeal again to provide children and families in Ukraine and Eastern Europe something to smile about this Christmas (in support of a UK charity called Teams4U).

Please can you bring in as many items that can be given to a child between the ages of 3 and 12+ to school by Friday 10th November. Items such as: Toys, books, stationery, small packets of sweets etc. and also hats, scarves, gloves, combs/hairbrushes and toiletries (such as soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes) would be gratefully received. These don't need to be completely new shop bought items, but anything in very good or as new condition will also be happily accepted.

For some other ideas of what to bring, please have a look at the YouTube videos: https://teams4u.com/video-content/

Also, if you have any shoeboxes (UK size 5 or up), or Christmas wrapping paper at school as well. You could also send in a pre-wrapped shoe box ready to fill if you' wrapped separately please).

With your help I was able to make 42 boxes last year, and I'm hoping to beat this

total this year.

Many thanks for your help.

Daniel W 6D



School Council is back!

It was wonderful to greet our new 2023-2024 School Council on Monday this week and huge congratulations goes to the children who were voted for by their peers. The School Council is a vital part of our school and ensures that the children have their voice and a say in things that affect them. Miss. Danby (Year 6 Teacher), is our new Council Leader and I'd like to thank her for all of her efforts in organising this year's process.

In the two weeks running up to the elections, the children at The Coppice learnt more about the democratic process and the importance of having their voice heard at school. As we all know, democracy is a fundamental British value and it is crucial that the children understand about how this works. All of the children who ran as candidates in the school council elections did themselves incredibly proud, producing fantastic Powerpoint presentations and posters, working hard on writing and performing their speeches and generating some brilliant ideas to make our school an even more amazing community to learn and grow in.

From our very first meeting, it is clear that we have a hard-working, dedicated and thoughtful School Council team, who are determined to do their best for our school. In our first meeting, we explored how a School Council operates, and voted for our Chairperson (Ada), Vice chairperson (Isla) and our Secretary (Ethan). As you can see from the photo below, I joined the meeting to discuss the importance of our School Council and to address the vision for School Council this year.

The Council will be meeting every three weeks and our first project will focus on how to improve playtimes (both outside and inside) even further for all the children at The Coppice. Our Councillors are already bursting with ideas and there will be plenty of work to do - it is sure to be a busy year for our School Council!



Meet our Year 3 councillors



Ryan - 3A



Alice F - 3L



William T - 3K

Meet our Year 4 Councillors







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Jared C - 4W

Isla J - 4W

Poppy G - 4R

Meet our Year 5 Councillors







Seine M - 5RB

Tobi-Jai - 5F

Leo C - 5RB

Meet our Year 6 Councillors







Ada R - 6G

Abdullah A - 6C

Ethan H - 6D

Our new trees will soon be on the way!



We are expecting our delivery of saplings between the 6th and 17th of November. These are the ones that we have ordered to replace the trees that were lost as part of the playground redevelopment. As an Eco Green Flag School, it is really important that this is something that we do. As soon as the trees arrive, Mrs. Chivers will get to work planting them with the Eco Council. We will be planting more than we lost which is fantastic! I will update you again when planting gets underway.

Well done girls!

Last weekend, a number of girls from Year 2 performed in a dance show for 'Alison School of Dance'. The girls were: Rosie P (2T) and Katie P (RT) (pictured in the first picture below); Charlotte R (2T) (on the left in the middle picture below with Rosie and Katie); and Violet K (2T) and Rosie S (2W) (pictured on the left and right of Rosie in the right hand picture). Emmie L (2T - not pictured) was also one of our Year 2 girls who performed in the show. The girls' parents let me know that the all of the girls did amazingly well and that they were all super proud of them! Well done girls- everyone at The Coppice is super-proud of you too! Keep on dancing!







That just leaves me to say, as usual, that I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Kind regards,

Mr. Hutt

(Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)

Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 2nd - 6th October (Last week)			
	1D	99.3%	
	6C	98.3%	

TOP ATTENDANCE 9th - 13th October (This week)			
	1D	98.3 %	
	6D	99.3 %	

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



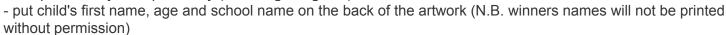
Christmas Card design competitions

We are excited to announce that our school has been invited to take part in not just one, but two Christmas card design competitions this year!

Competition 1: This is organised by our local MP, Sajid Javid, who asks local children to design the card that he will send to the King & Queen of England. In the past, we have had several winners and runners up in this competition and we would love to try for festive glory again this year!

Mr Javid's competition rules are as follows:

- create a Christmas card design no larger than A4
- use pencil, crayon or paint only (no collage or glitter)



Competition 2: The Parish Council is organising a Christmas card competition. The winner will be invited to lead the countdown of the Christmas Light Switch on, on 1 December 2023 and their design will also be used for the Parish Council Christmas card.

A design template must be used for this competition and they will be available to collect at the office from next week.

Please note that both competitions require the original artwork to be sent in so, if you wish to enter both, you will need to produce two separate designs.

Design tips:

- Sketch out your picture and written words (such as Merry Christmas!) in pencil first.
- Be original, but festive! You might find it useful to look for ideas online but make sure your design is completely your own!

Deadline: All entries for both competitions must be submitted by the end of this half term (Friday 27th October). We look forward to seeing your entries! Please drop them at the school office. Thank you.

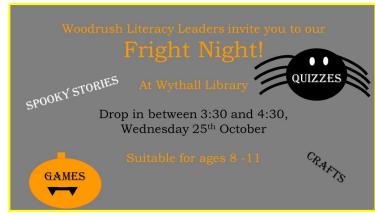




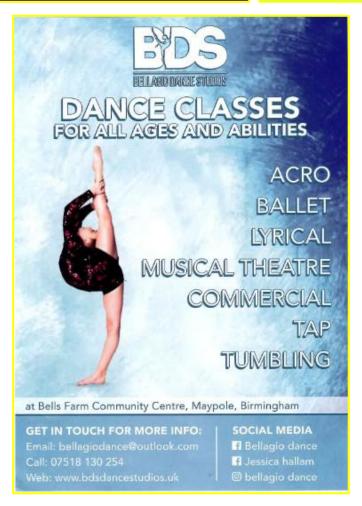


Community News











Monkhouse Uniform Suppliers



Our school uniform supplier, Monkhouse is offering a huge 20% off everything in store and online between **16th October 2023 - 22nd October 2023**. If you need to top up on any uniform or P.E kit items or need a refresh on your everyday essentials and stationery, now's the time to shop. Use code **DEAL20** at checkout or in store. **www.monkhouse.com**

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

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/