



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 19th December 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, I hope that you have all had a good week and are very much looking forward to the Christmas holidays with your children. It has been a fabulous week in school and therefore there is much to share!

Thank you to all of you!

As 2025 draws to an end, I want to send a huge thank you to you all for your support of the school, your children and me personally over the course of this term. Every day I wake up and think about how lucky I am to serve this wonderful community. Working with children brings you a joy and pleasure that can't be found anywhere else in my opinion. Our nativities this week summed this up perfectly. Chatting to so many Parents and Carers about their wonderful children is a real highlight of my role and I genuinely love every minute of it. It is a privilege to serve you all as Headteacher.

As I said last week though, my job is only possible because of the fantastic team of staff who I work with. The dedication, on a daily basis, that they give to the children in their care is amazing and it is a privilege to work with them.

Amazing Nativities!

This week, we had our Year 1 and 2 nativities and I can't even begin to tell you the joy that they have again brought to everyone who attended. These performances, held in front of Parents, Carers and visitors, were magical occasions that will live long in the memory for those who attended.

The children were absolutely incredible and the pride I felt watching them perform was immense. They were a credit to the school, their teachers, their families and, most of all, themselves. The singing was beautiful, the acting expressive and the dancing graceful. What impressed me the most though was the confidence that the children showed throughout. Lines had been learnt to perfection and were delivered beautifully and the smiles on the children's faces were a joy to behold.

We truly have amazing children at The Coppice! Huge praise goes to the staff too for preparing the children so well – they did a fabulous job! Well done everyone!

PTA arrange a festive message from Santa!

Talking of our PTA and just how much they do for the children at The Coppice, they once again arranged with the big man himself: Santa, for all of the children in the school to receive a personal gift of a book each.

Santa obviously knows that the children love to read here at The Coppice, and therefore he couldn't have chosen better gifts to give to them all.



Not only were there gifts arranged but the PTA also asked Santa to record a special message to the children and staff of The Coppice!

I have absolutely no idea how they managed to do this but they did! If you want proof that this really happened, you can watch Santa's recording for yourselves using the following link:

<https://youtu.be/eL03vsPKrBo?si=iycISdSFuBxWNz77>

We were truly honoured for Santa to do this for us and want to say a HUGE thank you to him for taking the time out of his incredibly busy schedule to do so!

PTA smash it once again!

It was a great feeling to be able to announce at all of the Nativities that our amazing Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) had once again raised an incredible amount of money through the Christmas Fayre.

£4,500.00 was raised on the night itself, which was then topped up by another £500.00 raised from the teas, coffees and raffle tickets sold at the Nativities, giving a grand total of £5,000.00!

Once again your children will be the winners because every single penny raised will be spent on them! We want the children at The Coppice to have the very best that we can provide and the money raised truly makes a difference!

Christmas Card Winners:

On Wednesday 10th December, representatives of Wythall Parish Council came to school to present prizes and certificates to the winners of their recent Christmas card design competition, which had been open to all of the local schools.

The presentation happened during the afternoon singing assembly and it was lovely that the representatives of The Parish Council had taken time out of their day to do the presentation in person. Once again, The Coppice were hugely represented amongst the winners.

The winners were:

- Arlo (6L) - overall winner
- Mason B (3C) - runner-up
- Erica H (RKB) - special mention
- Beth P (4TR) - special mention
- Elsie H (2W) - special mention
- Poppy (1D) - special mention
- Amaya (3B) - special mention



The children received a beautiful, framed copy of their Christmas card design (see above) and also a range of pens and art materials. A big thank you goes to The Parish Council for again organising this competition.

Year 4 football success!

On Tuesday 16th December, ten Year 4 children travelled to Arrow Vale to take part in the first-ever Year 4 football competition in the Redditch Primary School League, organised by FIT4Sport. This league is part of a trial league and we were keen to take part.

The team played four matches against Matchborough, St Thomas More, Batchley and Meadow Green. Coppice finished top of the group, winning all of their games and conceding just one goal.

This was the first fixture of the league, and we are already looking forward to returning in the new year. Well done to Heidi, Theo, Lorcan, Vinnie and Isaac from 4B, and Theo, Emerson, Lewis, Edie and Rex from 4DR. You represented Coppice brilliantly and showed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship throughout.

Well done to everyone involved, and a big thank you to Mr Edwards for driving us!

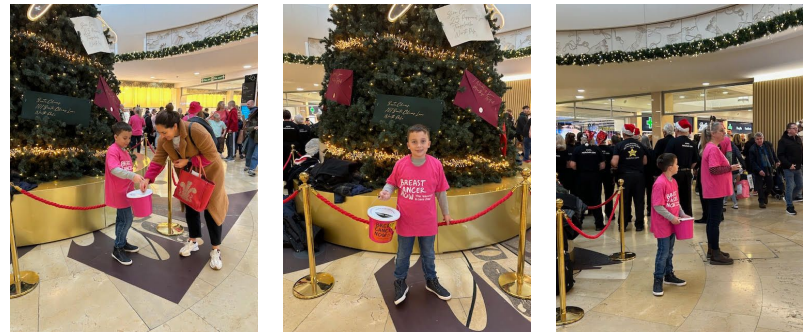


Joshua again helps raise money for Breast Cancer UK:

It's lovely to again be able to celebrate another one of our children who has been giving up their time to raise money for charity. Last year Joshua made the school newsletter for his charity bucket collecting for Breast Cancer and he's been at it again this year!

Joshua, from 3B, joined his mum, auntie and other volunteers in Cardiff two weekends ago to participate in the collection.

Joshua's aunty is a Trustee for the Breast Cancer Now Charity in Wales and, through Joshua's and his family's efforts, they helped them to raise £1,359 whilst bucket collecting in Cardiff city centre.



A huge well done goes to Joshua and family on this brilliant achievement and selfless act for a brilliant charity! We are super proud of you Joshua!

Wythall Gymnastics Club children shine brightly!

Once again some of our amazing Gymnasts have achieved great success in their club competition last Saturday:

- Cian (5W)** won four Silvers in vault, floor, parallel bars and All Round competition plus two Bronzes in pommel and rings.
- Isaac (5GB)** won two Silvers in high bar and pommel and four Bronzes in floor, rings, vault and the All Round competition.
- Leighton (5GB)** won Gold in vault, Bronze in parallel bars and he also won the 'Most helpful Gymnast' Award.
- Arria (5W)** won Gold in floor, Silver in bars and three Bronzes in track, vault and the All Round Competition.
- Alice (5GB)** won two Golds in range and conditioning and All Round Competition, two silvers in floor and vault and she also won the 'Most Improved Gymnast' trophy.
- Myles (6D)** won three Golds in vault, floor and the All Round competition, Silver in Flexibility and the 'Hardworking' award.
- Millie (6C)** won Golds in range and conditioning, floor and the All Round competition. She also got 'Intermediate Gymnast of the Year' Award.
- Isla (6L)** won Gold in vault and Bronzes in range and conditioning and floor.



A huge well done goes to all of these talented Gymnasts - we are so proud of all of you children!

Celebration Time

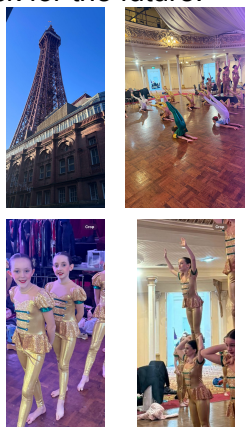
Lando smashes it at first Gymnastics Competition!

Lando (2W) went to his first ever gymnastics competition with his club Revolution at Lilleshall National Sports Centre last weekend where he competed on Pea Bars, Rings, Floor and Vault.

Lando did really well in all areas and won the Silver medal in Vault. He's only been training in gymnastics, and been in the Boys Development squad for 2 months so this is a massive achievement. Wow Lando - we are so proud of you - a massive well done and good luck for the future!

Freya Dances at Blackpool Tower Ballroom!

A huge well done goes to Freya from 5GB who last weekend danced at the one and only Blackpool Tower Ballroom, which was an amazing experience for her. Her team also did incredibly well and came 6th out of 49 dance schools. We are super proud of you Freya!



Eva wows me with magic tricks!

I was completely wowed and amazed by Eva from 5GB on Tuesday when she performed some incredible card tricks with me. I honestly couldn't work out how she did what she did and she was a very slick performer! A Television magician in the making I think Eva - well done!

Rosie is making great progress!


A huge well done goes to Rosie from 4DR who received a medal for being the 'Most Improved Gymnast' at her club last week! Great job Rosie!

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate




Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 8th -12th Dec (last week)

	1T	98.62%
	5GB	100%

TOP ATTENDANCE 15th - 19th Dec (this week)

	2P	96.67%
	4DR	97.10%

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was: [Christmas](#)

- 1) Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - Trepak (1892)
- 2) Ralph Vaughan Williams - Wassail Song (1909)
- 3) Frank Sinatra - Jingle Bells (1948)
- 4) Mariah Carey - All I Want for Christmas is You (1994)
- 5) Perry Como & the Fontane Sisters - It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas (1951)
- 6) John Tavener - The Lamb (1982)

That just leaves me to say that everyone at The Coppice hopes that you all have a wonderful, festive season with your children and loved ones and we all wish you the very best for the New Year. As always, we look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday 6th January 2026 when school reopens.

Please remember that Monday 5th January 2026 is a Teacher Education Day so school will only be open to the staff and not the children.

Kind regards and take care everyone,

Mr.Hutt

(Headteacher)