

The Coppice Whole School Newsletter Friday 28th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers.

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

Christmas Fair a week today!

With only a week to go, just another reminder that our Parent and Teacher Association Coppice Christmas Fair is a week today and will take place between 5.00 p.m and 7.30 pm. Last year's fair was a wonderful success and we are very much looking forward to this year's event being exactly the same! We will have the usual, excellent range of stalls, food and drink and musical entertainment from our very own Mr. Lampard, Mr. Ruffles and fantastic Coppice Choir. It goes without saying that we'd love to see you all there and, please remember, that every bit of money raised will go towards continuing to ensure that your children have the very best resources and facilities that The Coppice can provide. Your money really does make a difference!



We had a very successful chocolate collection today and as you will see on the flier above, we held another collection today for hamper items, alcohol, toiletries and unwanted gifts. We will be having our final collection of these items next Friday (5th December) so please support if you can.

The School Council is back for 2025-26!

It was wonderful to have our new 2025-2026 School Council elected over the course of the last couple of weeks and huge congratulations goes to all of 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 again our School Council Leader and I'd like to thank her for all of her efforts in organising this year's process.

In the run up to the elections, the children again 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 the children who ran as candidates in the elections did themselves proud, producing fantastic Powerpoint presentations and posters and 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.

It is clear that we have voted in a hard-working, dedicated and thoughtful School Council team, who are determined to do their best for our school. The first meeting of School Council was on Thursday this week and we focussed on how the School Council operates as well as discussing the importance of it and what the vision and priorities are for this year. The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and the Secretary were also voted in at this meeting. I personally attended this meeting and loved every minute.

The Council will now be meeting every three weeks and will focus on how to improve our school even further for all the children at The Coppice. Our Councillors are already bursting with ideas and there is plenty of work to do - it is sure to be another busy rest of the year for The Council!

The children elected as School Councillors were:

Chloe, James and Poppy (Year 6); Finley, Merryn, Simar (Year 5); Frankie, Cali and George (Year 4); and Emmie, Lilah and Jonah (Year 3).









Little Dots Play Village visits The Coppice!

On Monday and Thursday this week, Nursery enjoyed a special visit from Little Dots Play Village. The children greatly enjoyed exploring all of the different role play stations including a bakery, vets, doctors' surgery, police station, post office, florist and much, much more! The children were all highly engaged and very enthusiastic about the experience. Throughout the morning, they were seen engaging in various role play scenarios with their friends which was a joy to see. The Little Dots' leaders commented on the fantastic way the children conducted themselves and their excellent behaviour. They were, as always, a credit to the Coppice.

























Tag Rugby Team perform brilliantly!

On Friday 21st November, Mrs Bell and Mr Edwards took 11 Year 5 and Year 6 children to Solihull and Birmingham Rugby Club to take part in a Tag Rugby competition.

Despite the **bitterly cold** conditions, with a little bit of added coaching and tuition when we arrived (from Mr Edwards), we managed to draw one game and win all of the other six, which was an amazing result. This meant that overall, we came second out of seven teams!

A huge well done to all of the children who attended, and a huge thank you to Mr Edwards for driving the children and providing the extra coaching. Of course, a great big thank you also goes to Mrs. Bell for accompanying the children.







Year 5 Buddies make us so proud!

It was really lovely to be able to celebrate six of our Year 5 Buddies on Monday. As many of you will know from either having children who have attended our Reception or Year 1 previously, or from currently have a child in those year groups, we operate a buddy system in school where Year 5 children are buddies to Reception children and Year 6 children are buddies to Year 1 children (having also been their buddies in Reception). Our buddy system is a wonderful part of our school and enables older and younger children to play together, read together and interact at other school events. This system gives so many benefits to all of of the children involved such as kindness, nurture, friendship, fun and learning. The children opposite: William, Frankie, Iyla, Katie, Ruby and Maisie (all 5RM) were brought to me to be



celebrated because of their amazing buddy qualities. We are incredibly proud of these children for what they bring to our school. A huge well done goes to all of them!

Celebration Time

Emilia sings at Birmingham Cathedral!

A massive well done goes to Emilia from 6C who performed at a packed Birmingham Cathedral last weekend, where she supporting Nadia Edie (an opera singer from The Voice UK). Emilia had an incredible time and performed beautifully.

Emilia's Stagecoach group has been doing extra lessons over the past couple of months in order to prepare for this big event and, from all the reports, it definitely paid off! We are extremely proud of you for this fabulous achievement Emilia! Next stop the West End maybe!



Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 17th - 21st Nov (last week)			
	1LR	99%	
	4DR	98.71%	

TOP ATTENDANCE 24th - 28th Nov (this week)			
	1D	99.66%	
	6L	98.39%	

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

St Andrew's Day - 30th November

- 1) Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas Grand Etang / Hull's Reel (2011)
- 2) William Ross The Skye Boat Song (c.1782)
- 3) Unknown composer Scotland the Brave (1800s)
- 4) Capercaillie The Jura Wedding Reels (2013)

Next week's playlist is:

Music & Environmental Change

- 1) Marvin Gaye Mercy Mercy Me (The Ecology) (1971)
- 2) Joni Mitchell Big Yellow Taxi (1971)
- 3) Midnight Oil Beds are Burning (1987)
- 4) Louis Armstrong What a Wonderful World (1967)

That just leaves me to wish you all an enjoyable weekend with your children. We look forward to seeing all of the children, and you, bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)