



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 1st April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children. I can't believe that we are now only one week away from the Easter break!

Parents' Evening:

Thank you for your support and understanding with the recent postponement of the Parents' Meetings this week – it is very much appreciated. Thankfully, we are now starting to see the return of some of our staff, who have been absent, which is helping to ease the situation we have been experiencing recently. Hopefully, with another week of school, plus the Easter holiday weeks, we will have a nearly full complement of staff. This will enable us to start off the summer term in the best possible fashion.

Children's Targets:

On Thursday next week, you will all receive a copy of your child's individual targets for reading, writing and maths. These targets will make clear the key areas that have been identified for your child to work on in order to progress further this year. The targets will be discussed in more detail at the rearranged Parents' Meetings but we felt it was still important that you had them in advance so that you can begin to talk to your children about them. At the Parents' Meetings, we will give you clear direction as to how you can support your children at home in working on their targets. Year 5 will receive their targets on Tuesday as they are going on their residential to Ingestre Hall.

Science Fair projects – competition results!

Yesterday, after school, I spent a very enjoyable time in the company of Mrs. Tomkinson, Miss. Dixon, Miss. Cox and Mrs. Ashwell judging the science competition entries (not an easy task by any means). As I have said previously, I have been bowled over by the amount of them and it has been wonderful to see the quality of the projects produced. We have had entries from every year group from Nursery through to Year 6, which really demonstrates that this has been a project that has engaged the whole of our school community.

In last week's newsletter, I said a huge well done to everyone who entered a project and mentioned that they will all receive one of my Headteacher's stickers, ten team points, a certificate from Mrs. Tomkinson and a science 'Phizzy' Bug.

The competition winners in each category were as follows:

EYFS: From Reception, Charlotte R's 'Teddy Bear Zipline experiment'.

Key Stage One: From Year 1, Finley T's 'David Attenborough and the oceans environmental collage'.

Lower Key Stage Two: From Year 4, Isobel P's 'Does the colour of food affect whether we like them? Experiment'.

Upper Key Stage Two: James A's 'Egg-periment'.

Musical Joy:

I can't let the end of this week pass without mentioning a real highlight of my week, which was to be entertained in a Year 4 music lesson by the children from 4J. Every single child in the class had a musical instrument, either a glockenspiel or a 'boomwhacker' tube, and they performed two songs for me: 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star' and 'You are my sunshine'. I have to say that their performance was incredible and it honestly made me feel quite emotional! All of the children were so focussed and engaged and the sound they produced was beautiful.

As you all know, because I've mentioned it a number of times in this newsletter, it is so important to me that we have a broad and balanced curriculum that allows all of our children to have a range of experiences in both academic and non-academic subjects. Music is one of those subjects. Therefore, to see children, under the expert musical tuition of Miss. Juneman, being musically creative in this way and gaining so much from it was an absolute joy.



Above you can see the children from 4J engrossed in their musical performance and a very proud Mr. Hutt watching on. Well done children – you were absolutely superb!

Well done Boys' Brigade children!

I was thrilled on Monday when our Lead Lunchtime Supervisor: Mrs. Godson, who runs the local Boys' Brigade group, came to see me to tell me how proud she was of some of our Year 2 boys: Harrison, Ethan, Cooper, Mason and Myles for how they conducted themselves at the recent Mothers' Day service at Kingswood Meeting House.

I was told by the boys' parents that they followed the flag into church at the beginning of the service and, then, during the service, they handed out bunches of daffodils to each lady in the church. The boys' parents and Mrs. Godson all reported that the boys were extremely well-behaved, sat respectfully at the front of church and made all the adults attending really proud of them.

Once again, and I will never grow tired of saying it, some of our children have conducted themselves in an exemplary fashion in a public place and shown both respect and responsibility. This is everything we aim to teach our children through our 'Coppice Way' behaviour curriculum. Well done boys!



Thank you!



I wrote on my newsletter a little while ago that we had had a very generous donation of £100.00 from some parents of a Year 2 boy: Dylan, in response to my appeal for help with replenishing our Design and Technology equipment. This was so that we could ensure that our new D and T curriculum was delivered in the most effective way through ensuring that children had enough equipment to be able to complete projects in small groups or pairs, thereby providing the best possible experience for all of them. We are therefore delighted to announce that, with the money we received, we were able to purchase a new set of glue guns which will be put to great use in a range of D and T projects across the school. Thank you again to Dylan's parents – these glue guns will make a real difference!

Food Bank:

Further on in this newsletter, you will see an appeal from our fantastic PTA for the donation of food items so that we can support local foodbanks. This is something that we feel very passionate about here at The Coppice so please donate some items if you are able. All contributions will be very much-appreciated by the organisations who receive them. For example, many of our items will go to the Simms Lane Church foodbank where they will then be given to families who need them.

Good luck to our sportspeople!

Finally, good luck to thirty four of our junior children who will be representing the school at The Bromsgrove Winter Games on Monday. The competition is being held at Bromsgrove School and I know that, as always, our children will give a fantastic account of themselves. The children will be accompanied by Miss. Wells and Mr. Edwards and I want to thank them again for the time and effort that has gone into preparing the children for the competition. I look forward to updating you all with the results next week. Good luck Coppice!

That just leaves me, as always, to end by wishing you all a lovely weekend. We look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday morning for our last week before the Easter break.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt

(Headteacher)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Reminder from the School Council

When? At playtime.

Prizes:
First three winners win five team points and some chocolate.

Coppice Egg Hunt

2022

Price: 50p

Year 4 and Year 6

Poster by Daisy, 6K, and Poppy, 5BG

Attention Year 3 and 5!
Bring 50p on the 4th of April to join us for an Easter Egg hunt.
You could win some chocolate or some team points!

The hunt will take place at breaktime. You'll be given the chocolate at the end of the day and there will be adults watching you so don't cheat! The first three people to find out the word get chocolate and 5 team points. Give them to the School Councillors and they'll tell you where placed.

Poster by Seth, 5F

Reminder

Please remember that all items of uniform, including PE kits need to be named. We have, again, got a mountain of lost property and many of the items are not named or have faded or unreadable labels in them. If we can not read a name we are unable to return items to your child. It is also important for water bottles, lunch boxes/bags, tupperware pots etc to be named for the same reason.

Dates for your diary

Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th April - Reception hearing tests.

Thursday 7th April -Year 1 parents/carers are invited to a short Phonics Screening Information Meeting, This will now be a virtual rather than a face to face event. A video link will be sent to you on the day.

Friday 8th April- Cake sale fundraiser for the Y6 leavers party. Cakes will be on sale in both playgrounds after school.

Friday 8th April - Last day of term. School closes at the normal time.

Monday 25th April- School reopens for the Summer Term

Monday 2nd May - Bank Holiday - School closed

Friday 27th May - **TED day** - school closed

Monday 30th May school closed for half term

Monday 6th June - school closed for deferred national holiday for the Jubilee.

Tuesday 7th June - Return to school

Year 5 baking

Last week the Year 5 classes made bread as part of their DT project "Making Bread".

They have learned about health and safety whilst cooking, looked at the properties of yeast and discovered what effect it has in a bake.

Recipes were adapted to add extra ingredients such as cheese. Garlic and olives. Lots of fun was had by all.



Care Club news

Coppice Care Club - Holiday Club

11TH TO 14TH AND 19TH TO 22ND APRIL 2022

Book now for lots of fun activities for 3 to 11 years
AM / PM / School day and Full Day Sessions available



To Book: www.coppicecareclubmanager@gmail.com
Telephone: 07914825141

Food Drive



Coppice Primary School, Hollywood

Let's Help Feed the
Families who Need it
the Most

As I am sure you are aware the cost of living crisis is upon us and its the most vulnerable that need our help, parents at the Coppice are putting together a food drive to help local foodbanks that are really struggling to meet demand of families in need, if you can and are able please donate what you can from the list below, we would be so grateful.

Unfortunately the situation is **very urgent** with reports of many families going hungry so they can pay their bills, please please help where you can, thank you!

Daily Staples - Long life milk, Coffee, Tea, Squash, long life juice
Rice, pasta, cereal, long life bread, smash, biscuits, crisps.

Meals- Stew - curry - tinned pies - pot noodles instant noodles - meals in mugs - pasta sauce, tinned meat - tinned fish - curry sauce and similar.

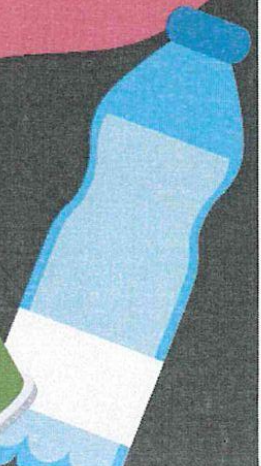
Tinned Fruit & Veg -Tinned tomatoes - mixed vegetables potatoes - peas - carrots - fruit - peaches - baked beans

Toiletries -Toothbrushes - toothpaste - toilet roll - soap - shower gel - shampoo - conditioner - feminine hygiene products

Please ensure food is in sealed original packaging and in date. No Alcohol or Razors

We will be at the **Old Hall entrance** on **Wednesday 6th April at 8.15am** to collect donations.

These can also be sent into class and we can collect them.



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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/>



