



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 2nd December 2022

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. If you have noticed that both Mrs. Ashwell and I have been missing from the school gates in the mornings and at the end of the school day this week, it's because, unfortunately, we both contracted Covid and have therefore had to have a few days at home. Hopefully, we will be fighting fit on Monday! As you will be aware with your own children, there are lots of bugs going around at the moment, which is why we have written to you all this week outlining the action that we are taking, as a school, and that which we need you to take, as parents and carers, to mitigate the risks of more children catching these. Please make sure that you read this information and follow the advice given. As always, we thank you for your support with this.

Despite the bugs and illness, as usual, there is much to share with you all and we start off with some of our children who have demonstrated outstanding personal qualities and a desire to help others.

Oliver's haircut to help others!



We are very proud to tell you all about Oliver, from Year 4, who has chosen to grow his hair for two years and then have it cut to raise money for the Princess Trust. This organisation uses real hair to make wigs for children who have had cancer and unfortunately lost their hair. However, he has also done this selfless act in memory of his older brother, who was lost at 21 weeks gestation, and to help children not as fortunate as himself. Both school and Oliver's family are unbelievably proud of him and how kind he is. A 'go fund me' page (link below) has been set up if people would like to donate. Oliver is so grateful for those who have already donated so anything more would be amazing!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/paige-hopkins-1669156237005?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=page/paige-hopkins-1669156237005&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=969f1031fb1

Well done Abigail – a kindness champion!



It was wonderful for all of us here at The Coppice, to learn that Abigail, from Year 3, has been recognised with a silver Blue Peter badge for kindness. I know, from talking to Miss. Allen: Abigail's Class Teacher, and my own interactions with Abigail, that she has an incredibly kind nature and positive attitude, both of which she demonstrates every day at school.

Abigail received the award for the money that she has raised for charity in order to help others and also for her general acts of everyday kindness. As I always say to the children, kindness is the number one quality that I would like them to demonstrate before anything else because that's what makes our world a better place to live in.

We are incredibly proud of Abigail and I know that her family rightly are too. Well done Abigail!

Violet's Irish Dancing success!



Last Sunday, Violet, from Year 1 took part in her very first Irish dancing Feis (competition): 'The Midland Oireachtas'

Violet had to dance in front of hundreds of people, which was an incredibly brave thing to do for a child of her age. It was therefore absolutely fantastic when she was awarded with the 'Midlands Mini Champion' sash, which you can see her proudly wearing in the photograph.

This was obviously a fabulous achievement for Violet and her bravery to dance in front of hundreds of people is truly to be commended. Her family are, quite rightly very proud of her and we certainly are as a school! We look forward to hearing more about how your Irish dancing progresses in the future Violet!

Year 6 Poetry Morning:

Year 6 had a poetry workshop on Tuesday with the well-known Birmingham Poet: Giovanni Esposito aka 'SPOZ'. The children took part in various poetry activities and created two of their own group poems which included rhyming couplets. The day was a huge success and the children absolutely loved the workshop! Every single child participated and they worked hard together to come up with some fantastic poems. The Year 6 staff were very impressed with the effort and enthusiasm of all the children. The day ended with a poetry 'slam' where each group performed their poem about the environment. After much debate between Spoz and the Year 6 teachers, 'Literally Literature': Charlie, Harvey, William, Marina, Jack and Ben were chosen as the winners. They are now invited to compete in the Poetry Slam Final at The Birmingham Hippodrome – wow!



Christmas Fayre:

Next Friday sees the return of The Coppice Christmas Fayre after an absence of three years due to the pandemic! This really is a great feeling and we can't wait! We have decided to hold the fayre outside for the first time so make sure that you wrap up warm as the weather is looking fine but cold. There will be a Christmas market feel with food stalls, a bar, entertainment, games and craft stalls. There will also be the chance to win prizes on the tombola! The fayre will run from 5pm until 8pm and we greatly look forward to seeing you all there!

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

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

Christmas Fayre - Friday 9th December 2022

Our fantastic PTA are extremely busy putting together everything for the Christmas Fayre next Friday, efforts for which we are very grateful.

They have asked for the following donations to the event, if families are able to help, with collection times as follows:

- **Christmas Decorations & Lights**
 - If anyone has any unwanted or unneeded Christmas lights or decorations then please can these be brought into the office at any time over the next week
- **Year 1 - Year 6 Donations**
 - Please could we have donations of alcohol bottles, toiletry sets, unwanted gift sets etc, children crafts sets, good quality books and sealed children's toys.
 - These can be dropped off on Friday 9th December between 8.15am - 8.45am at the Junior Hall entrance
- **Nursery Donations**
 - Please could we have donations of bags of sweets and bags / boxes of chocolates
 - These can be dropped off on Friday 9th December between 8.15am - 8.45am at the Junior Hall entrance
- **Reception Donations**
 - Please could we have donations of cakes and boxes of chocolates
 - These can be dropped off on Friday 9th December between 8.15am - 8.45am at the Junior Hall entrance



The Coppice PTA are excited to
present our **Christmas Fayre**

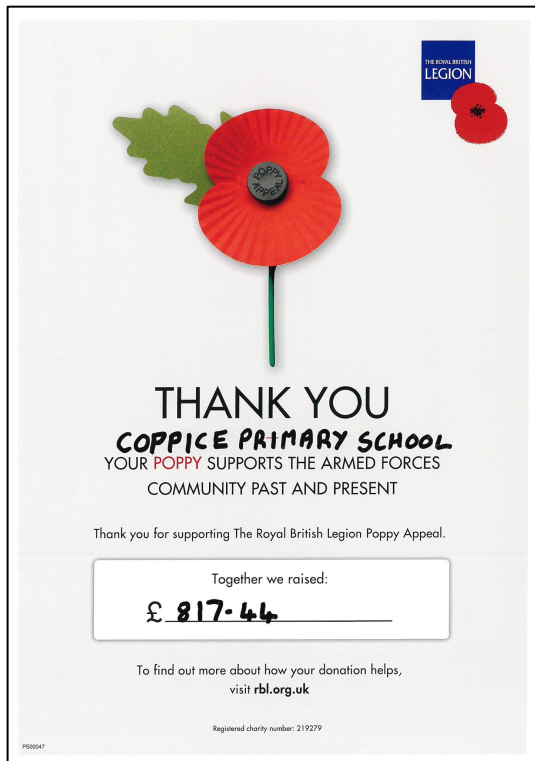
This years theme is a Winter
Wonderland Market

Friday 9th December 2022 5pm-8pm

Santa	Tombola
Crafts	Games
Christmas Market Stalls	Raffle
Bar	Entertainment
Food	and much more.....

If you would like to book a stall please visit www.pta-events.co.uk
inside & outside stalls available

Thanks for your amazing fundraising efforts!



December 2022 Menu Changes - Action Needed!

DECEMBER MENU CHANGES

CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY
THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER

FESTIVE CHRISTMAS DINNER WITH ROAST POTATOES , PEAS
CARROTS
VEGETABLE WELLINGTON WITH ROAST POTATOES , PEAS
CARROTS

FESTIVE CHOCOLATE CAKE OR JELLY CREAM

THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER

ONLY CHOICES AVAILABLE
CHEESE BAP WITH VEG STICKS
TUNA BAP WITH VEG STICKS
HAM BAP WITH VEG STICKS

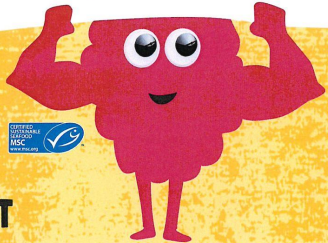
WITH FRUIT, YOGURT OR COOKIE


PARTY DAY
FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER

BBQ CHICKEN PIZZA WITH CHIPS
CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA WITH CHIPS
SHORTBREAD BISCUIT OR FRESH FRUIT

NORMAL MEAL PRICE

COULD ALL PARENTS PLEASE RE-ORDER THEIR
CHILDREN'S MEALS FOR THESE DAYS





FOODSMART
FOR BODY AND BRAIN

AIP
ALLIANCE - PARTNERHIP

Christmas Activities at St. Mary's Church

Christmas at St Mary's Wythall

Saturday 10th December 1pm

Christmas Trail in Wythall Park

Sunday 11th December 4pm

Christingle Service

Sunday 18th December 10.30am

Carol Service

with children's groups

Saturday 24th December 4pm

All Age Christmas Eve Nativity

Come dressed as a character from the Nativity Story

Saturday 24th December 11.30pm

Midnight Communion

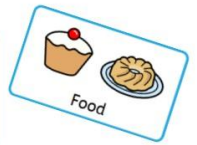
Sunday 25th December 10am

Christmas Day All Age Celebration

For all these and more visit www.wythallchurch.net/christmas
St Mary's Church, Shawhurst Lane, B47 5JN to the rear of the Coppice School

Super Saturday CHRISTMAS FUN

Saturday 3rd December 10am -12noon
at St Mary's Church, Shawhurst Lane, B47 5JN
to the rear of the Coppice School site



A morning accessible to all and specifically for families with children or adults with additional needs.

For more information contact us:
churchoffice@wythallchurch.net 01564 823 248
www.wythallchurch.net

St Mary's
Wythall
Registered Charity no. 1132792

You are invited to...

CHRISTINGLE

Sunday 11th December 4pm



A service for all the family with carols, fun & refreshments

**St Mary's Church,
Shawhurst Lane, B47 5JN**

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Christmas Trail

1pm - 3pm Dec 10th @ Wythall Park

An interactive trail round the park,
and a goody bag!

Organised by St Mary's Church, New Life
Church & Hollywood Christian Life Centre



Job Vacancy - Woodrush High School

Cover Supervisor

Woodrush are looking for an enthusiastic individual to join our fantastic cover team, to supervise whole classes during short-term absence of teachers, helping to create a great working environment.

To start: January 2023
Contract: Permanent, 5 days per week (31.25 hours)
Mon-Fri 8:15am to 3pm
Term time only + INSET days
Salary: SCP 7-11 (£22,369 to £24,054 FTE per annum, pro rata applies)

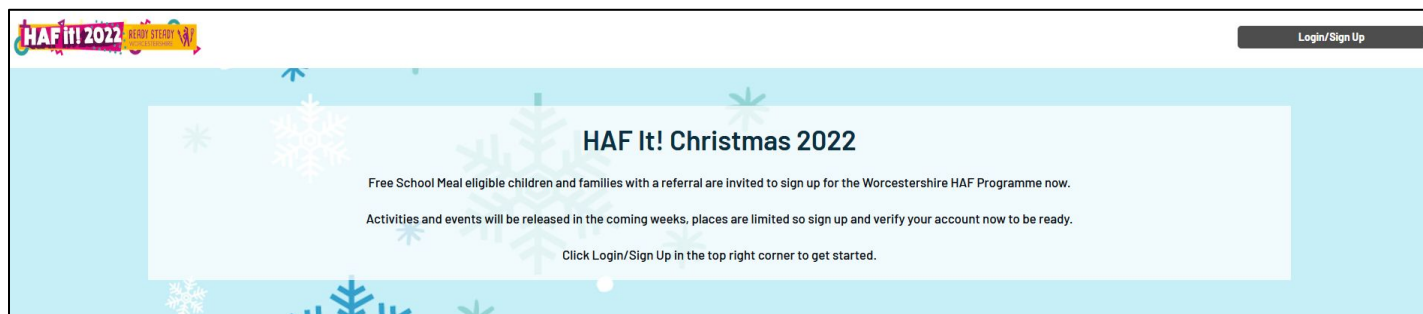
To find out more information please download a job pack and application form from our website, where details can also be found on how to apply.

Alternatively, you can contact Laura McCleary on 01564 823777 or email hr@woodrush.org. Interested candidates are welcome to come and look around the school by prior appointment.

Holiday Activities and Food Programme in Worcestershire

Free School Meal eligible children invited to sign up for the Worcestershire HAF Programme now. HAF is an optional scheme so Parents and Carers have to sign up for it to make use of it.

This can be done at the following site: <https://www.haf-it.co.uk/>



The instructions are:

- Parents and Carers of children eligible for means tested free school meals can create an account by signing up on the website
- After creating an account, Parents and Carers then add their children
- This data will then be verified by the County Free School Meal team and they will then issue a HAF code
- Clubs can then be booked by either:
 - Booking directly through the HAF website (in which case the code automatically transfers)
 - Booking directly with the eligible providers (in which case the HAF code will need to be given).

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/>

