



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, I hope that you've all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children and a chance to spend some quality time together.

Children's Mental Health Week:

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week and we will be marking this in school across the week through various mindfulness activities that Class Teachers will be carrying out with their children. This will include the children watching a video from the 'Lily-Jo' project that explains, in a child-friendly way, what mental health is and how children can learn to manage their own mental health in positive ways. On Friday afternoon of next week, the children will have an additional 'Feel-good' Friday afternoon. Our 'Feel-good' Friday afternoons are held every four weeks in school and are for both staff and children. This is an important component of our mental-health and wellbeing programme in school, which runs across the school year. It is also part of our 'Jigsaw' Personal and Social Education programme that some of your children may talk to you about at home.

If you would like to view the free 'Lily-Jo' project resources that we are using with the children, please go to:

<https://thelilyjoproject.thinkific.com/> or <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

Alternatively, if would like to access the free Parent and Carer help resource pages, please go to:

<https://thelilyjoproject.thinkific.com/pages/parents-resources>

On these pages, you will find: Free webinars, practical advice on childhood anxiety, anger, and sadness and articles written for families covering the topics of anxiety, stress, family life, opening up, and confidence/self-esteem. There are also helpful music and podcast playlists

If you would like to find out more about mindfulness generally and access some really helpful tips and resources, please go to:

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/self-help/tips-and-support/mindfulness/>

Face-to-face Parent and Carer meetings with teachers:

Just to give you all plenty of notice that our next set of face-to-face Parent/Carer meetings with Class Teachers will be:

Wednesday 22nd March: 1.30 pm to 6.00 pm (Early Years and Key Stage 1)

3.30 pm to 7.00 pm (Key Stage 2)

Wednesday 29th March: 3.30 pm to 7.00 pm (Early Years and Key Stage 1)

1.30 pm to 6.00 pm (Key Stage 2)

Please make a note of these dates and times and try to ensure that you have kept one of them free. It is vital that we teachers meet with you regarding your child in order to discuss their progress and targets for development.

My Deputy: Mrs. Ashwell, as usual, will be setting up the SchoolCloud booking system in order for you to book your appointments. Once this is ready to go live, we will communicate with you again.

Children who return to school with a broken bone, fracture or other serious injury - IMPORTANT:

I would like to clarify the procedure to be followed for when a child returns to school with a broken bone, fracture or other serious injury. As you will all know, schools have a responsibility to look after the health and safety of the children in their care. We take that responsibility very seriously and seek to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken to minimise any risk to the child on their return.

The return process is therefore as follows:

When your child is ready to return to school, please ensure that you contact the school office in order to arrange a meeting with Mrs. Woodyatt who oversees children's medical conditions and health and safety with regard to these.

It is extremely important that we have this meeting as it enables us to discuss the child's return from both the parents' point of view and the school's point of view with regard to what this may need to look like. This is because every case can be different and the health advice given from professionals can also vary. Based on this discussion, and if deemed necessary, we can devise a Care Plan that is specific to your child, which outlines the necessary safety steps and measures that need to be in place.

Please note that your child will not be able to return to school until we have had this meeting and possibly a day or two afterwards as well. This is because, following the meeting and the creation of the Care Plan, we need to speak to all staff, who are likely to be in contact with your child when they are in school, in order to give them the information and answer any questions that they may have. Please understand that this slight delay in returning is only because we want to get things right.

We will also ask you to confirm in writing that you are happy for your child to return to school and to provide any specialist advice that you may have. Some Parents and Carers, if they have one, also provide a note from their doctor or specialist that states that they are happy for the child to return.

Finally, we do ask Parents and Carers to understand that we can't remove all risks and cannot give a 100% guarantee that a child won't be knocked when in school. However, as outlined above, there are many concrete things that we can put in place to mitigate the chance of this happening.

Hopefully all of the above is clear but please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Woodyatt or the School Office if it isn't and they will be pleased to answer any questions.

Scoff – well done everyone!



The St.Mary's, Coppice and Woodrush SCoFF sessions on a Wednesday after school continue to go really well with around fifty attendees most weeks. It is clear that this collaboration has built a great community of families who are there for most sessions. There is also a great volunteer team in place from the church and both schools. It has been commented that our own Mrs. Chivers is amazing and does a great job in helping plan and run the craft activities and also in supporting both children and families. The SCoFF banner now hangs proudly at every session and is a real symbol of what a great initiative this has been. The food is really great too! Well done everyone involved!

Well done Amber – a singing superstar!



A huge well done to Amber from Year 6 who has been presented with Ms. Croft's 'Most Improved Person In Choir' award. Amber was presented with this award for her passion and commitment to choir and for her huge growth in confidence. We are very proud of you Amber! The great news is that she also wants to return in the future, even though she will be at secondary school, to help support the next generation – we will be thrilled to have you back Amber!

That just leaves me to wish you all a lovely weekend. As always, we greatly look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt

(Headteacher)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Last week's hot chocolate was delayed until Tuesday which means we had two sessions this week.

PTA Event



World Book Day- Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day is coming up on Thursday 2nd March. At Coppice, we love to read and so we're greatly looking forward to a day of celebrating and enjoying books. Here's what you need to know about World Book Day at Coppice:

As with previous years, we will not be asking for children to dress up as characters for World Book Day. We want the day to be a celebration of books rather than costumes. Instead, we invite children to come to school on the 2nd in 'cosy clothes' (e.g. pyjamas and dressing gowns) and to bring a favourite book with them to share with their friends. They can also bring slippers, a cushion and/or a teddy. This is to ensure that part of the day can be used for cosy reading for pleasure.

If children don't want to come in their pyjamas/dressing gown, they can choose to come in their school uniform. If the children do come to school wearing their cosy clothes, it is important that you ensure that they have a coat and appropriate footwear for break and lunch times.

There will be no charge for this non-uniform day: we warmly encourage parents and carers, if they're able to, to spend any money that would've previously bought costumes on books for their children. We'll be sending the £1 World Book Day vouchers home with the children as always. These can be exchanged for any of the World Book Day books or used to get a discount of £1 off any book that costs £2.99 or more. Independent bookshop *How Brave is the Wren* will be setting up a pop-up bookshop at The Hub where you can use these vouchers -- more information about this to follow soon.

Lastly, if you're feeling creative, we invite you to participate in our 'book plate' competition. We will be giving children a paper plate, which they can choose to transform into a character from a book or a scene from a book, which we will then display in our library. You can find ideas in the attached picture:



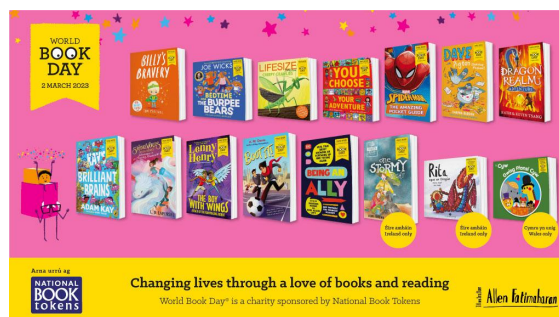
Mr Hutt, Mrs Ashwell and Mr Laight will (anonymously) choose three winners who will all be allowed to choose a book from the Scholastic book fair, which will be visiting our school from 6th - 9th March.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to Coppice from Monday 6th March until Thursday 9th March. The book fairs we have run in the past have been very popular and so we are delighted to be able to host one at our school again. The book fair will offer the children the chance to see a range of brilliant books - from familiar favourites like the *Dog Man* series to 'hidden gems' by brilliant authors that you won't find in supermarkets. The other piece of great news is that every purchase from the book fair generates credit that the school can then use to get free books for our library!

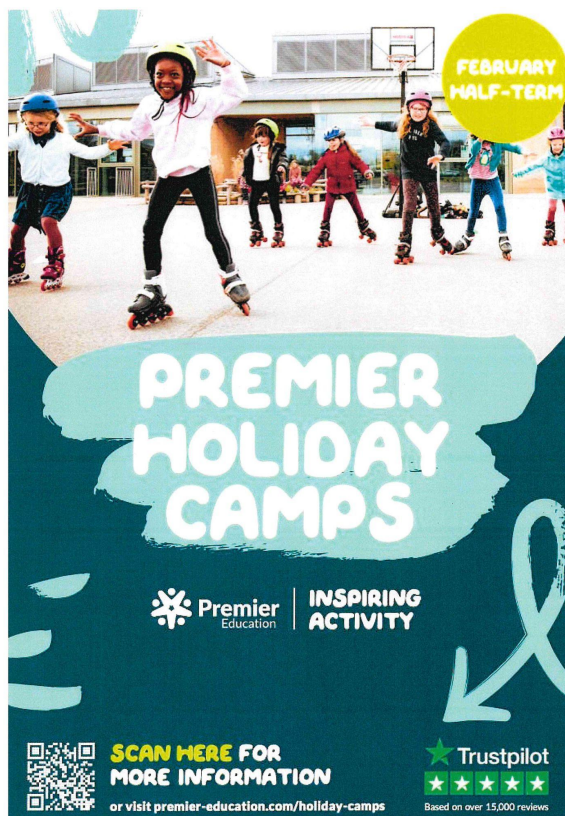
For more information (and to see some of the offers) you can [click here](#) to view your invitation.

Want to explore more? You can find previews and first chapters for some of the books that will be on offer here (<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one>).

Payments can be made on the day by scanning a QR code to take you to an online site. Alternatively, gift vouchers can be purchased from <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers> and brought into school.



Community News



FEBRUARY HALF-TERM

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ST PATRICK'S CofE
PRIMARY – MULTI
ACTIVITY HOLIDAY
CAMP



ST PATRICK'S CofE PRIMARY ACADEMY FEBRUARY HOLIDAY CAMP!

Premier Education are pleased to announce we will be running a Multi – Activity Holiday Camp at St Patrick's CofE Primary Academy during the February half term!
Please bring a packed lunch, water bottle and appropriate clothes/shoes for plenty of FUN activities!

Venue: St Patrick's CofE Primary, Salter Street, B94 6DE

Date: Monday 20th February 2023 – Friday 24th February 2023

Activities: The camp will include a wide range of enrichment activities! From Dodgeball, Dance and Archery to Arts and Crafts and fun team games, we have plenty of activities in store for all abilities!

Age: 5 years – 12 years

Time: 10am – 3pm

Price: £17.50 per day booking

£75 per week booking

Booking Link: SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW or visit:

<https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/815114>

EXTRA TIME OPTION

We are offering families the opportunity to book on for extra time for only an additional £5 per day!

Time: 9am – 10am and 3pm – 4pm (Additional £5 per day)

To book this please select 'Extra Time' throughout the booking process.



Daily Booking Link



Week Booking Link

Art Competition



RGS SPRINGFIELD JUNIOR ART COMPETITION

RGS Springfield are launching an Art Competition for children aged 2-11 on the theme of "The King" to celebrate the Coronation of Charles III in May 2023.

This event is all about creativity, so interpret the theme as you like, it does not just have to be about crowns and flags!

cms@rgsw.org.uk' and 'We look forward to receiving your entries.' and 'RGS Springfield, Britannia Square, Worcester, WR1 3DL 01905 249999'." data-bbox="550 539 946 972"/>

RGS SPRINGFIELD JUNIOR ART COMPETITION

Your submission can come in a variety of formats or sizes, we would like you to be as creative as possible. It could be a painting, a collage, a photograph, a digital piece or whatever you like! It is up to you.

The Art work will be judged by a member of the Gallery at Bevere and the winner will receive a one to one masterclass with Susan Birth, an artist from Bevere Gallery.

Age categories will be 2 - 4, 5 - 6, 7 - 8, 9 - 11 years.

We will be hosting an exhibition of work at RGS Springfield from 2 - 5 May.

The winning school will receive a masterclass from the Head of Art at RGS Worcester.

All entries must be submitted to RGS Springfield by 21 April 2023.

If you would like any more information please contact cms@rgsw.org.uk

We look forward to receiving your entries.

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Upcoming dates

Friday 10th February- PTA Valentines tuck shop - on the playground after school.

Tuesday 14th February- Reception Hearing Tests

Wednesday 15th February- Reception Hearing Tests

Thursday 16th February- Reception Hearing Tests

Wednesday 15th February - Spring Music Concert

Friday 17th February - School closes at normal time for half term holiday

Monday 20th - Friday 24th February - School closed for half term

Monday 27th February - School reopens.

Thursday 2nd March- World Book Day - see above

Monday 6th- Thursday 9th March - Book Fair - more details to follow.

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Thank you for reading our Whole School Newsletter. Now click on the link below to access your Year Group Newsletters.

[Click here](#)

CONTACT US

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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/>