



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Friday 13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you've all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children. We've been promised a lovely weekend of weather so fingers crossed that we all get chance to spend some time outside. As always, it's been a very busy week in school with lots going on and much to tell you about.

### **Well done Year 6!**

I want to start by saying a massive well done to our Year 6 pupils for the fantastic attitude that they showed towards their SAT tests this week. After two years of disruption due to the pandemic, the children have had to work extremely hard since September to be in a position to cope in the way that they have and we are very proud of each and every one of them. I also want to thank the staff for their dedication and hard work in teaching the children so well and for ensuring that the children have felt positive about the week and were well-prepared for the challenge. Well done everyone!

### **Parent and Carer questionnaire:**

In my newsletter last week, I requested that I would like as many of you as possible to complete an online questionnaire regarding your views about the school. So far, we've had one hundred and forty families respond, which is really great, and we are very appreciative of the time taken out of busy schedules to do this. If you haven't had chance to complete the form yet, please try to make time to do so as the feedback that we get from you as parents and carers is extremely important to our development as a school. Just to remind you, the online form can be accessed via a link that was sent to you in an email from the school office last week and the deadline for submissions is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Here is the link again <https://forms.gle/D6LBHgfEMectGUUa7>

### **Mental Health Awareness Week 2022:**

With it being Mental Health Awareness Week, we talked to the children in our assemblies on Monday about how we can become both physically and mentally fit and how the combination of these two factors makes happy human beings. The children engaged really well with these assemblies and we have had some really good feedback from both children and parents. Over the next couple of weeks, we will be creating a mental health and wellbeing tab on our website, which will contain a number of useful resources and links. I will let you all know when this has gone live. The mental wellbeing of our children and community is of utmost importance to us and we therefore hope that the resources that we provide will help to achieve this aim in addition to what we already do in school.

### **Online safety reminder and resources:**

Linked to resources being put on our website, we have now created an online safety section on our school website, which can be found under the 'Parent Resources' tab, that contains a number of parental guides for online platforms such as Whatsapp, Instagram and Tik-tok. The purpose of providing this information is to help all parents and carers navigate and understand the online minefield that your child could become exposed to. The factsheets make clear the age-limits of these platforms, explain what they do and what the dangers are. They also explain how you can view your child's activity, how to set parental controls to limit their use of them as well as information on how to report concerns.

You will also find links to other online safety sites e.g. NSPCC. The whole purpose of providing this information is to help support you to keep your child and wider family safe online. The page can be accessed by using the following link:

<https://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/parent-resources/how-to-keep-your-child-safe-online/>

### **Reception Celebration Certificates:**

Last week, Mrs. Ashwell and I had the joy of presenting certificates to our Nursery children and this week it was the turn of our Reception children. To see just how much these children have developed and matured over the course of this year is amazing. What really impressed me was the joy that the children, who didn't receive certificates on this occasion, had for those who did receive them. To recognise the achievements of others is such an important quality and one that we work hard to promote at The Coppice. Therefore, to see this so clearly coming through gave us a great deal of pleasure. As I also said last week, our children's growth is testament to the quality of the staff that we have working in our Early Years here at The Coppice and to their dedication in working so hard to bring out the very best in these children. Obviously, I also want to thank you, as parents and carers, for the support that you give your children at home – we couldn't do what we do without this support.

### **Phonics workshop:**

It has been lovely to have parents in school this week for our phonics workshops and I want to thank all of you who have attended – I know that you will have found these sessions very useful in terms of learning about how we teach our 'Sounds Write' phonics programme and how you can help your child with their phonics learning at home. I also want to thank the Year One staff and Mr. Laight for the time that they put into preparing and delivering these sessions. Unfortunately, due to the Covid situation at the time, we couldn't deliver these earlier in the year but, thankfully, we were in a position to do so now. All being well, we will deliver these sessions at the beginning of the year next year.

### **Asthma reminder:**

This week, Mrs. Woodyatt and I sent out a reminder to all parents and carers regarding our asthma procedures in school. If your child has asthma, please make sure that you fully understand what our expectations are around inhalers and are following them, as these are absolutely key to us safeguarding your child when they are in school.

### **Well done Finley and Isla!**



I want to end this week's newsletter by saying a huge well done to Finley from Year 3, who took part in a swimming gala in Watford last week and won an amazing four gold medals! All races were twenty five meters and his golds were won in freestyle, breast stroke, butterfly and backstroke. Finley also swam 50 meters breaststroke in a family relay and won bronze.

Incredibly, Isla, his sister, who is in Year 5 also won three gold medals in backstroke, butterfly and backstroke and a silver in freestyle. She was also in the family relay where she won a bronze.

What a fabulous, family achievement this was and we look forward to seeing how their swimming journey ends up – maybe in the Olympics!

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

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt

(Headteacher)

## Young Voices

Each year our choir has the opportunity to take part in a huge concert at Resorts World Arena. This year they will be singing on Monday night alongside literally 1000s of other school children. Friends and family will be coming to watch and listen as they sing their way through a varied repertoire of songs by The Beatles, songs from films and TV shows and even a little opera. They practiced their Pop Medley to their peers at singing assembly this week to give them a taste of performing to an audience.

We wish them all the best and we know that all the hard work they have put into learning the dance moves and song lyrics will be rewarded by a very appreciative audience. There will be updates from rehearsals on our Facebook page and we will tell you all about it in next week's newsletter. Have fun choir!

## Lunchtime Supervisor required

My name is Victoria and I go to The Coppice Primary School and I wondered if you could help. We need a lunchtime supervisor to help out over lunchtimes.

I like dinner time staff who are always smiley and jolly. I like it when they help me when I hurt myself and cheer me up when I am sad. They play in the playground with me and look after us in the classroom when it is raining. I love it when they tell me jokes too.

If you think you can be a lunchtime supervisor like this please let us know (we will pay you too!)

Love from Victoria

Hours are 1 hour and 5 minutes per day between the hours of 11.25am- 1.35pm depending on year group.

Monday to Friday, term time only. For more details and an application form please visit the school office.

We, The Coppice Primary School, are wholly committed to safeguarding our children and as a part of this successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

## Request from Nursery

Nursery are looking for donations of realistic dolls, such as Baby Annabell, and small accessories, for their home corner. If you have any that your child is happy to part with please drop at the school office or to Nursery. Thank you.



# Year Five Parents

Dear Year five parents and carers,

We write to advise that registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for The Grammar Schools in Birmingham, for entry to Year 7 in September 2023. Registration can be made online by visiting the website below.

The closing date for registering is 4pm on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The test will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

<https://www.birminghamgrammarschools.org/apply-onlineapp.php>

Admissions

**The Grammar Schools in Birmingham**

Foundation Office, Edgbaston Park Road

Birmingham, B15 2UD

Website: [www.birminghamgrammarschools.org](http://www.birminghamgrammarschools.org)

Email: [admissions@ske.uk.net](mailto:admissions@ske.uk.net)

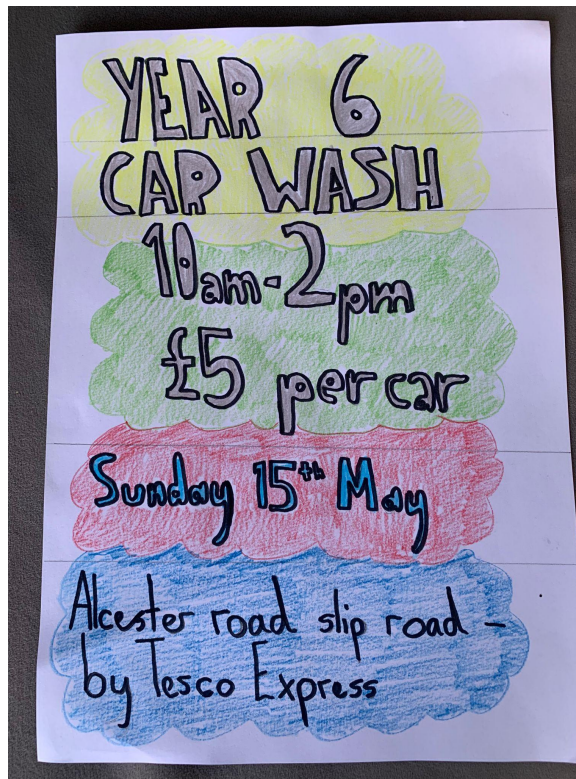
## Themed menu 19th May - book on Parent Pay





## Year 6 fundraiser ....this Sunday

Some of our Year 6 children will be washing cars on Sunday to raise money for their leaving celebrations. Look out for them near Tesco Express and take your dirty cars for a wash !



## Year Six parents

### September 2022 School Transport Applications

A reminder to all Y6 school leavers that they need to complete a new application if they require transport assistance to their new school in September.

This will be assessed under Worcestershire County Council's Home to School Transport Policy and applications should be made via the Council's website: [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/SchoolTransportApplication](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/SchoolTransportApplication).

It is important that an application is made online as soon as possible, or at least before 31<sup>st</sup> July, to ensure that the request can be assessed and any pass issued in time for the start of the new academic year.

Late applications (submitted after 31<sup>st</sup> July) will still be accepted but MAY NOT be assessed in time for the start of the new academic year.

IF A TRANSPORT APPLICATION HAS ALREADY BEEN SUBMITTED FOR SEPTEMBER THERE IS NO NEED TO DO SO AGAIN AND WE WILL ADVISE YOU OF THE OUTCOME OVER THE COMING MONTHS. Alternatively, you can view any progress via the Application Tracker ([www.worcestershire.gov.uk/ApplicationTracker](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/ApplicationTracker)), using the EDT Reference Number provided when you submitted the application.

For further information and to view the current School Transport Policy, please visit [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/SchoolTransport](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/SchoolTransport). To contact the team, please complete an enquiry form via this link.

Many thanks

Education Travel Team

## Dates for your diary

Monday 16th May - The choir will perform at Young Voices

Monday 16th May - Reception eye tests

Monday 16th May - deadline for parent questionnaires to be returned.

Monday 23rd May - Class photographs

Monday 23rd May - Y5 Bikeability -group 1

Thursday 26th May - Y2 trip to the Botanical Gardens

**Friday** 27th May - TED day - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Monday 30th May - Monday 6th June (inclusive) **SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM.**

**Tuesday** 7th June - **SCHOOL REOPENS**

Tuesday 7th - Y5 Bikeability - group 2

Wednesday 8th June - Y2 Robotics workshop day

Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th & Friday 9th June - Y4 - Upton Warren

Monday 13th June- Reception & Y6 heights & weights + Reception hearing test recalls & absentees

Monday 13th June- Friday 17th June - Sports days- more details to follow

Monday 20th June - 1D/1T - Sandwell Valley trip

Tuesday 21st June -1B/1T Sandwell Valley trip

Wednesday 22nd June - Y5 Think Tank trip

Monday 27th June - Friday 1st July - Y6 Malvern residential week.

Thursday 30th June - Visit from an Olympian! - More details to follow.

Friday 1st July - PTA Summer Revel - more details to follow

Wednesday 6th July - School music concert

Wednesday 20th July -**SCHOOL CLOSES** for the summer.

## Attendance Matters

Please check your email (including your spam/junk folder) to find an email about attendance which was sent yesterday. Here is the link in case you missed it.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zkR\\_4tqgCJs2XeODRAQv\\_gryLdth6XNtOEigks3MIFA/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zkR_4tqgCJs2XeODRAQv_gryLdth6XNtOEigks3MIFA/edit?usp=sharing)



# Community News

## Holiday camps near you

Venue: St Patricks CofE Primary School, Solihull B94 6DE

Dates: Mon 30th May - Wed 1st June 2022

Times: 9am - 3pm

Price: £15 per day (Flexi Booking)

Ages: 5 - 11 years old

Additional info: Places limited, bookings open now!

With great value sports, performing arts, and games to enjoy each half term, we have plenty for your children to get stuck into in the school break.

So, whether they are a holiday camp regular, or it is their first time, we guarantee there is something for every child with our comprehensive range of activities.

**BOOK NOW AT:**

[premier-education.com/holiday-camps](http://premier-education.com/holiday-camps)

\*The holidays are better with friends. Give a friend 20% off their first Premier Education Holiday booking and get 20% off your next. Enrol in the scheme and refer friends at [premier-education.com/parents/refer-a-friend](http://premier-education.com/parents/refer-a-friend). Terms and Conditions apply.

Please bring

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing for weather
- Lots of energy!



## Mega fun this May!

With our half-term Holiday Camps.

With action-packed sessions available throughout the school holidays, our camps are a fantastic place for children to meet new friends, have lots of fun, and create wonderful memories!

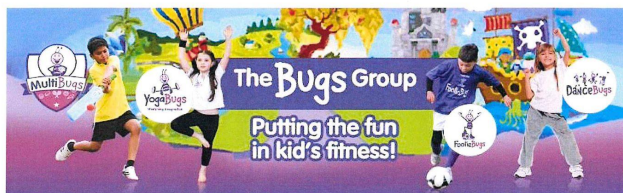
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## Jubilee Half Term Camp @ St Alphege Junior School

The Bugs Group are pleased to announce they are back at St Alphege for their half term holiday camp!

We will be running a 3-day FootieBugs & MultiBugs camp and to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, we will be running competitions, playing Royal games and competing both as a team and individually.

1. Children will be put into teams at the start of the week
2. They will compete in every game to win points for their team
3. Our Finale will take place on Wednesday the 1st of June
4. All children will leave with a medal and certificate along with the winning team receiving a trophy each!

### More Info & How To Book

All Places are bookable online through this link:

<https://www.thebugsgroup.com/active-camps/>

Dates: 30<sup>th</sup> May, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022

Times: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Camp costs: £25 per day

Ages: 4-13 years

### Feel Safe with the Bugs Group

All coaches have an enhanced DBS, insurance, qualifications, are trained the Bugs way and there will always be a pediatric first aider on site!



## PREMIER FOOTBALL SCHOOL HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CLUBS!

Do your children love football?  
Do you need childcare during the school holidays?

**Look no further!!!**

- Premier Football provides high energy football-themed holiday clubs for children aged 6-11 years
- Situated in a modern, purpose-built day nursery in Wythall, you can be sure your children are safe and secure, with the added benefit of lunches and snacks provided on-site
- Coaches are experienced and FA certified
- All abilities and needs catered for

High quality coaching combined with fun activities including:

- Tactics and skills
- 'Pirates of the Premiership' game
- Kick up competition
- Crossbar challenge
- Penalty and American shoot-outs
- Skills and trick shot coaching
- FIFA/PlayStations for down-time
- Medals and prizes

**...and much, much more!**

**Contact us:**

[info@premierfootballparties.co.uk](mailto:info@premierfootballparties.co.uk)

[www.premierfootballparties.co.uk](http://www.premierfootballparties.co.uk)

tel: 0121 270 5020

Located at The Wendy House Day Nursery, Chapel Lane, Wythall, Birmingham, B47 6JX

£25 per child per day, £5 discount for siblings

FA certified coaches, DBS checked and cleared, first aid trained

Breakfast (for early starters), lunch and snacks provided and included in the price



**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](mailto: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/>

