



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Friday 18th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend and a chance to spend what is looking like a sunny weekend with your children.

### **Well done Gymnasts – you're amazing!**

I promised that I would update on how our Gymnasts got on at the Milano Team gymnastics finals held At Fenton Manor Sports Complex in Stoke-on-Trent last weekend. This was the first time that the competition had been able to run after a two-year gap due to the pandemic. I'm therefore thrilled to be able to give you all some fantastic news! The competition was a huge success and every one of our gymnasts did amazingly well - we were extremely proud of them all! To remind you, each team had to do a trio floor routine, individual floor routine and two vaults.



**Results were as follows:**

**U11 Girls' team:** Eliza, Chloe and Maeva weren't placed on this occasion but still did brilliantly.

**U11 Boys' team:** Dougie, Keegan and Reuben came an incredible second place, receiving silver medals.

**U11 Mixed team:** Grace, Holly and Jack came an amazing third place, receiving bronze medals. Our team's scores were combined with the scores from Meadow Green School, which also meant that we came a superb second overall in the regional competition for the West Midlands. This earned us a fantastic silver medal and means that we go on to the national finals which are on either Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April or Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022.

Our competition gymnasts are also joined by some of our other Year 3 children: Zara, Kesia, Ayla, Elle and Charlotte who are all part of our Coppice Gymnastic Club and are our competition gymnasts of the future. From the results that our competition gymnasts achieved, they've certainly got some great role models to look up to!

Once again, and I never get tired of saying this, our children conducted themselves in an exemplary manner and once again demonstrated 'The Coppice Way', perfectly. We are so proud of all of our gymnasts and what they have achieved., I also want to send a huge thank you to our coaches: Mrs. Witham and Miss. Carter for their expert coaching and the time given to give these children such a fabulous opportunity. We also want to extend our huge thanks too to the local community gym coaches e.g. Kirsty Hemus who also work so hard with these children.

## **Parents' Evening**

Following on from my newsletter last week, I want to thank everyone who responded to the request to let us know whether you wanted a face-to-face Parents' Meeting or an online appointment as this made the planning of the logistics for the evenings easier. Hopefully you will all have received my letter regarding the dates and times of all of the meetings, as well as details on how to book your appointments. We greatly look forward to seeing you all.

## **Science Day and 'Little people, BIG dreams'**

A huge thank you to all of the parents, carers and grandparents who came in to talk to the children about their careers in the world of science – the children found all of the talks both very informative and inspiring. Without doubt, these 'real-life' experiences and having the chance to meet a range of different people with science-based careers will have a profound effect on some of our children and could very well be life-changing in terms of what some of our children aspire to be when they are older.

The assemblies that have been delivered this week have been about 'Little people having BIG dreams' (with a focus on scientists) as we want all of our children to 'Aim high' and understand that anything is possible in their lives if they work hard and want something badly enough. Our visitors this week have therefore provided real examples of this in action and we want to send our appreciation for their time and enthusiasm in supporting Science Day. Please take a look at some photos at the end of this newsletter.

## **Science Gadget Shop – thank you PTA and Science Club children!**

Linked to the above, I want to thank our amazing PTA and representatives from our Science Club for running the gadget shop after school this week. The gadgets really enthused the children and we raised a fantastic amount of money, which will go towards the purchase of further science equipment that all of your children will benefit greatly from.

## **Parent and Teacher Association:**

Hopefully many of you got chance to read the PTA appeal for help that I sent out this week. I can't tell you how appreciative we will be if you are able to offer some time to help support PTA events and of course, as I outlined in the information that I sent out, the biggest beneficiaries will definitely be your children!

## **Money raised for Ukraine – well done E!**

I want to give a special mention to E from Year 5 who, over the last two weekends, has been busy making beautiful crafts in order to raise money for the people of Ukraine.

E asked her mum if she could help after seeing the news. Her exact words were, 'I want to help the poor people of Ukraine get through some sad and hard times'.

E made a variety of crafts out of buttons and other material, which were then sold for an amazing £117.50! Once again, this selfless act deserves to be celebrated as, not only does it say a huge amount about E as a person, but it also illustrates perfectly the value of 'empathy for others' that is one of the core drivers behind our curriculum here at The Coppice. We are very proud of you and your thought for others E – well done!



### Birmingham City Mission:

The Birmingham City Mission recently wrote to me to convey their thanks to all the children, parents and carers of The Coppice for the food that was donated recently. They greatly appreciated all that we did and wanted me to let you all know that the food collected will go to individuals and families (around 130 per day) who call into their centre. The BCM were very keen to let you know how grateful the recipients are for these parcels. Finally, they wanted us to know that this vital part of their work would not be possible without the very generous support that schools like us and other individuals/organisations give. We feel that supporting the local community is a very important thing for us to do and it is vital that our children also see the importance that we place on this as it again helps develop the empathy for others that we want to instil in all of our children here at The Coppice.

As always, I want to end by wishing you all a lovely weekend - we look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt

(Headteacher)

## Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## Nursery request

We kindly ask for any donations of A3 photo frames for our Nursery environment. Nursery are making a display board for each Family group to share their creations and will display them in frames. We appreciate any donations, Thank you from the Nursery staff.





# Eco Competition



The Eco Committee are proud to be launching an exciting competition to create a 'Message in a bottle top' which could win our school playground a makeover worth £5000! We're asking you to design a mural for our school using plastic bottle tops to depict wildlife affected by plastic waste. You will also need to write a powerful message, poem or inspiring statement that accompanies your artwork. Entries will be judged by the Eco Committee on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April and the winner will see their design come to life in the form of a mural in school.

## How to enter?

Class teachers will be handing out entry forms over the coming days. Entries are to be given to your class teacher by **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April**. The competition is open to Years 1-6. The Eco Committee will be judging entries on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April and the winner will be announced Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

As the Eco Committee will be judging the entries, they won't be able to take part in the school mural competition but can follow the details below to create their own entry if they wish.

## Want to go the extra mile and create your own entry?

We will be entering the competition as a whole school with one mural entry. However, if you wish to go the extra mile, follow the link below which will take you to the competition leaflet and explains how you can create your own mural/sculpture to be in with a chance of winning!

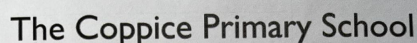
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## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

To ensure we are able to create the winner's mural we're asking you to collect all of your plastic bottle tops and bring them into school. Any colour, any shape and any size! Each class will have a designated box to store them in and the Eco Committee will collect them before we start to create the mural.



## School Council Bulletin

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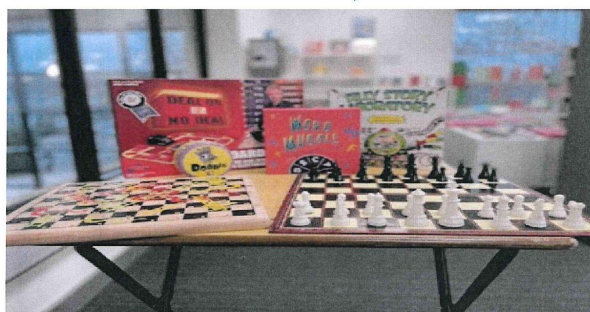
The Council spent today's meeting finalising our ideas for our fundraiser, which has now been checked over by the school's business manager. We can't wait to host our playtime egg hunt, which will raise money for our School Council part of the sensory garden. It will be a great opportunity for the councillors to take responsibility for a project.

We also discussed Pokemon cards, as many children would like to take the ban of the cards to Mr Hutt to consider whether a compromise can be struck. We will let you know how this meeting goes!

Community News

**OPEN TO ALL AGES**

**£1 PER PERSON (to include drink and biscuit)**



**26TH MARCH      23RD APRIL      21ST MAY**

**9TH APRIL                      7TH MAY                      4TH JUNE**

Would you like to socialise more? Do you love a good board game or have a competitive streak? If the answer is yes, then we have the answer for you. Come along to Wythall Library and join in our Board Games club. Come along and play either with friends or against other club attendees. The club is for all ages, so bring the family along, or come along and join in with others.



# Community News...continued



## SOLIHULL FOOTBALL COACHING COURSE



**AT: LIGHT HALL SCHOOL**  
HATHAWAY ROAD, SHIRLEY, SOLIHULL, B90 2PZ  
**STARTING: SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2022**

**Saturdays:**  
Group 1: Reception & Year 1 = 9.00am-10.00am  
Group 2: Year 2 & 3 = 10.00am-11.00am  
Group 3: Year 4, 5, 6 & 7 = 11.00am-12.00pm

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to inform you that, due to the huge success of our football courses over the last 21 years, we are following up the football coaching programme for the season starting in April 2022. The course will run for approximately 12 weeks and the programme is for boys and girls aged between 4 and 12.

### About our Course

- The unique practice techniques are specifically designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the absolute beginner to the more advanced player.
- The course is run by F.A qualified coaches, who are DBS checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification, they are currently working with children, enabling them to learn essential football techniques, building **CONFIDENCE**, improving **FITNESS** and providing the most important ingredient **FUN!**
- Children will be fully supervised at all times, although parents are welcome to stay and watch.
- Each child will be provided with a football for individual practice and their progress will be recorded each week.
- It is an **Indoor** course held in the sports hall, therefore children may wear trainers and sportswear. We may go outdoors in good weather.
- Ex Premier League Birmingham City, West Bromwich Albion and Fulham player Geoff Horsfield** quotes, "I've coached on these courses with the team and they are fantastic in the way they deliver their coaching sessions!"
- Ex England World Cup star and Sky Sports pundit Paul Merson** quotes, "I have presented trophies to the children on these courses and it's great to see the smiles on their faces and sense of achievement!"

### Presentation of trophies and award

- On the final week of the course, we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY.**
- Children also have a chance to win many other special individual awards and trophies for various skills, including 'premier league' and 'penalty shoot out' competitions.
- Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the presentation and watch the children being presented with their awards, as this encourages a fantastic atmosphere.

The cost of the course is £7 per week; payment is made every 4 weeks with the first payment of £28 due on week 1. **Please Note:** Places are limited, therefore bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

Mark Frith (Course co-ordinator)

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

**TO RESERVE PLACES PLEASE TEXT:**  
**SOLIHULL + CHILD'S FULL NAME + AGE + GROUP NO. (1, 2 or 3)**  
and receive confirmation by text to:  
**07827 322780**



### Easter Holidays are only 4 weeks away!

**What's involved - Football tournaments, Dance performances, Olympic competition days, Easter egg hunts and so much more...**

**Locations – Shirley Heath Junior School, B90 3DS**

**-Lode Heath Secondary School, B91 2HW**

**School Day Time – 08:30-15:30 / Extended Day Time – 08:30-16:30**

**Price from £20 per day**

**\*\*Places are limited and will go fast\*\***

**Book Now – <https://the-bugs-group.class4kids.co.uk/camps>**

### Sports available

**Football & Multisport and Dance & Acro**

**For More Info – <https://www.thebugsgroup.com/active-camps/>**

### Funding for Free School Meal Children

Funded places for eligible children on FSM's are available Easter for both camps. Please note you can only book for 4 days across the camps (as stipulated by Solihull council). To request your code please call 0121 777 7792 or email to [info@thebugsgroup.com](mailto:info@thebugsgroup.com) with a copy of your letter from the council.

**Book Now <https://the-bugs-group.class4kids.co.uk/camps>**



## Woodrush High School

An Academy for Students Aged 11-18

### Job Advert

**Role:** School Cleaner

**Working Hours:** Term Time Monday to Friday 10 hours per week to be completed between 3pm and 6pm plus annual 27.22 banked hours to be completed in school holidays.

**Pay:** Scale point 1

We are looking for an enthusiastic and hardworking individual to join our fantastic team, helping to create a great working environment.

### You must:

- Have previous experience in a cleaning role
- Have the ability to use a range of mechanical cleaning equipment
- Be hard working and enthusiastic
- Have the ability to work as part of a team
- Be punctual and professional at all times
- Be able to deliver great standards of cleaning
- Be able to attend training sessions and meetings at the Academy as required

### We can offer you:

- An opportunity to work in an extremely popular Academy on the border of South Birmingham only 5 minutes from Junction 3 of the M42 and 15 minutes from Redditch, Bromsgrove and Solihull.
- Local Government Pension Scheme
- Reduced rate gym memberships

### To Apply:

To apply please download our application pack from our website [www.woodrushhigh.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.woodrushhigh.worcs.sch.uk) or email Laura McCleary at [hr@woodrush.org](mailto:hr@woodrush.org) to request an application form.

**We do not accept CV's. Only applications completed via our application form will be accepted.**

Closing date 9am Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022, interviews will take place soon after. We reserve the right to close posts at any time once we have received sufficient applications. We advise you to submit your application as early as possible to prevent disappointment.

Woodrush High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and as such expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate for this role will be required to complete an online disclosure application.

This post is covered by Part 7 of the Immigration Act (2016) and therefore the ability to speak fluent and spoken English is an essential requirement for this role.



## Woodrush High School

An Academy for Students Aged 11-18

### Job Advert

**Role:** School Cleaner Required

**Working Hours:** Term Time Monday to Friday 17.5 hours per week plus 47.64 banked hours to be completed in school holidays.

**Pay:** Scale point 1

We are looking for an enthusiastic and hardworking individual to join our fantastic team, helping to create a great working environment.

### You must:

- Have previous experience in a cleaning role
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## Some photos from Science Week



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[Click here](#)

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### 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/>

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