

# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter Friday 19th May 2023

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. We've had a great week in school and there is much to share:

#### Well done Year 2!

I want to say a massive well done to our Year 2 pupils for the fantastic attitude that they have shown towards their SAT tests over the last few weeks and we are very proud of each and every one of them! The children have coped incredibly well and shown a great deal of resilience – well done children! I also want to thank the staff for their dedication and hard work in teaching the children as expertly as they have and for ensuring that the children have felt positive about their tests and were thoroughly well-prepared for the challenge. Well done everyone!

#### Fabulous off-site visit for many of our Year 6 children:

Our Year six children headed off to their residential on Monday and returned on Wednesday. Staff and children have had a fabulous time and thankfully the weather stayed dry! This trip was a fantastic reward for the children after completing their SAT tests last week. Activities that the children took part in over the course of the three days included: archery, low and high ropes, hill walking, zip wire and the famous King Swing. Many children faced new challenges and were able to overcome their fears which is exactly why we love our children taking part in off-site adventurous activities such as the ones mentioned – well done children! On the children's return there were lots of happy, excited but exhausted children...and staff! It was also fabulous to hear that the Malvern instructors had commented on how lovely their groups of children had been. As you know, comments like this always make us very proud as school. I also want to extend my thanks to the staff: Miss. Cox, Miss. Watson, Mrs. Chivers, Mr. McGarry, Mr. Lampard, Miss. Dixon, Mr. Edwards and Miss. Ellithorn for spending two nights away from their families in order to ensure that the children had this fantastic experience.







#### An in-school (but very different and exciting) week for the remaining Year 6 children:

Our Year 6 children, who didn't attend the Malvern off-site trip, were treated to a very different week in school whilst their friends were away. They enjoyed the sunshine with a game of rounders on the field and also time spent exploring Forest School, which was a real throw-back for them to their time in Nursery and Reception. Back in class, they've loved taking over the classroom and making dens, playing board games and having a movie morning. The children have also done plenty of art and have had fun making and painting clay models. Some children have also made impressive penguin sculptures by recycling plastic milk bottles (see pictures below). This colony of penguins will be moving to their new home in the school library soon! A big thank you to Miss. Caddick for organising this week.







#### Year 5 arts residential:

On Wednesday morning, our Year 5 children set off to Ingestre Hall in Shropshire for their arts residential. This is always a fantastic trip and provides a very different experience to that of the off-site adventurous trips that the children go on in Year 4: Upton Warren and obviously the Year 6 Malvern trip that I mentioned above. On this particular trip, the children get chance to partake in a choice of either art, drama, music or film animation workshops over the course of their three days away. On the final day, the different aspects are showcased. This trip is another example of how, as a school, we try to ensure that all of our children's talents are recognised and developed both in school and outside school. As with the Malvern trip, a huge thank you goes to Mrs. Blundell, Mrs. Robinson, Miss. Franklin, Miss. Danby, Mrs. Small (and 'M'!), Mr. Laight, Mrs. Ashwell and Mrs. Abbotts for also spending two nights away from their families to ensure that the children had another memorable experience during their time at The Coppice.









#### **Year 3 trip to Lapworth Museum:**

Over the past three weeks, Year 3 have visited Lapworth Museum of Geology where they have taken part in an amazing fossil workshop. They got hands-on with fossils by exploring how they are formed, discovering what fossils can tell us about the past and then made their own salt dough fossil! The children also explored the museum and went on a tour of the University of Birmingham Campus where they got to learn all about Old Joe, which is the clock that stands proudly over the University (see pictures below). The Year 3 team and I would like to extend our thanks to 3K parents: John, Irina and Jenny who led the campus tours. As Headteacher, I would also like to extend my thanks to the staff of Year 3: Miss. Keight, Mr. Lampard, Miss. Allen, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Denaro, Miss. Jones and Mrs. Williams for arranging this trip and for making sure that the children had such a memorable learning experience. Links with universities, such as this, are incredibly inspiring for the children and we know that they often raise the aspirations and ambitions of our children for



their futures lives and careers.







What a performance from Florence!

Huge praise goes to Florence T, from 4J, who was invited to dance in Centenary square the Saturday before last as part of the celebration for the coronation of King Charles 111.

Florence danced in front of the hundreds of people gathered there on the day. Her dance group were the only dance school asked to dance on the day and they performed to a dance called "came here for love". Florence had a main part on stage.



Well done Florence – we are super proud of you!



#### Well done Jake and Isabella!

A huge well done to both Jake R, from 1T, and Isabella, from 4J, for winning the 'Most Improved' player trophy (Jake) and 'Player of the Season' trophy (Isabella) at their Bees Rugby Club, Portwood.

This is a huge achievement for both children and we are all extremely proud of them. Both Jake and Isabella are extremely dedicated to their rugby so these awards are richly deserved and we look forward to hearing more about their rugby progress over the coming years.

That just leaves me wish you all a lovely weekend – it's looking like the sun is going to shine! As always, we look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

### Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## Warmer weather on it's way!

We are hopeful that sunnier weather is on the way so we would like to remind you about the safest way for the children to be outside in the sun during the school day.

- 1. Please apply an all day, high factor sun cream to your child **before** they come to school
- 2. Make sure your child has a *named* sun hat/cap
- 3. Please ensure your child brings their water bottle and remind them to refill it during the day to stay hydrated.
- 4. Remind your children about playing in shaded areas where possible.

Thank you - we will also be reminding the children of these points.



#### Instrument Lessons 2023-2024

Our school is very lucky to offer private instrument lessons to a number of Y3 to Y6 pupils each year. If your child is wanting to start a new instrument and will be in Y3, Y4 or Y5 in September 2023 we have limited spaces available. However, lessons are very popular and we have a waiting list in place for any child wishing to have tuition.

Next year, we anticipate we are likely to have a few new pupil spaces for Brass, Woodwind, Violin or Guitar lessons. Our piano waiting list is already very long, so we are unlikely to take on any new pupils next year. All children currently receiving tuition will have the priority for lessons.

If you are interested in registering your child onto the waiting list, please complete the waiting list form accessed  $\underline{\text{via this link}}$ .



#### PTA Events

# PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE

PRE LOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM WILL BE ON SALE ALONGSIDE THE TUCK SHOP ON FRIDAY 26TH MAY.
PLEASE COME ALONG FOR

PLEASE COME ALONG FOR SOME UNIFORM BARGAINS. PLEASE BRING CASH IF POSSIBLE.

SCHOOL LINIFORM



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# TUCK SHOP



FRIDAY 26TH MAY 2023

AFTER SCHOOL IN THE INFANT AND JUNIOR PLAYCROUNDS

PLEASE BRING CASH IF POSSIBLE

# St Mary's Event





## Name Your Child's belongings



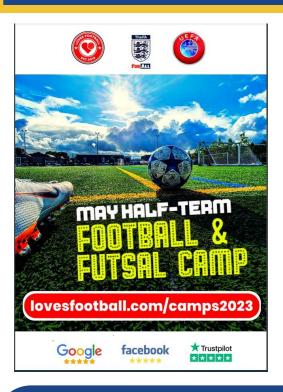


We have joined forces with two companies, WovenLabelsUK and MyNametags.com in our aim to get all children's belongings named! They will give school a commission for each label pack ordered online and we get to return all your belongings to youit's a win win situation!

# https://www.mynametags.com/affiliate?id=26074.

Please note that if you use the school name instead of the ID number when ordering online, the website will not recognise your school and so it will not be credited with the commission

# Half Term Activity Camp



#### Discount tickets available



We have been sent some vouchers for 35% off up to 5 people at Drayton Manor. They are valid until 14th July 2023.

If you would like one there are a limited number in the school office so please come and get one.

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