



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Wednesday 20th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you've all had a good week, have managed to cope well with the excessive heat that we have been experiencing and that all of your friends and relatives have managed to stay safe and well. Obviously, we have reached the end of the current academic year (I can't quite believe it if I'm honest) and I know that many of you will be looking forward to a break from routine and to spending extra time with friends and family. It's been a fantastic year and I know you'll agree with me when I say that it's felt amazing to have a full year of school again without disruption. To be able to do all the usual school activities: assemblies, trips, sporting events, concerts, fairs, and productions has been wonderful. Most importantly, the children have embraced this return and have achieved so much – we are extremely proud of them all.

It's been a very busy last week and a half at The Coppice but it has been a joyous time with lots to talk about and lots to celebrate:

### Goodbye, good luck and well done Year 6!

Everyone at The Coppice wants to wish our Year 6 pupils all the very best for the future as they prepare to transition to their respective high schools. It has been an absolute pleasure to be in the hall this week, watching their fantastic leavers' productions and celebrating their time with us. We are extremely proud of these children for what they have accomplished, especially due to the fact that they had to return to school after two years of disruption due to the pandemic and then had to face their SATs tests. Despite this, their attitude has been first class and we couldn't have asked for any more from them. We know that these children will go on to achieve great things in the future and we can't wait to see them again in the future and to find out how they are getting on. As someone once said, 'Once a Coppice kid, always a Coppice kid!' It is also the end of an association with the school for a number of our families as they will no longer have a child at the school. I want to thank all of them for their support of their children and the school over the years and, as with the children, we want to say that it will be great to see them all again at some point in the future.

### SAT results:

I mentioned our Year 6 SAT results above so now is a good time to tell you what our results were. The first figure mentioned is the Coppice figure and the figure in brackets is the national average figure.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: **80%** (72%)      Above expected standard: 33%

Reading: **79%** (74%)      Above expected standard: 33%

Maths: **76%** (71%)      Above expected standard: 33%

Writing (teacher assessed): **78%** (69%)      Above expected standard: 28%

We are rightly very proud of these results and I want to thank the children again for their fantastic attitude in achieving them and to the Year 6 staff for their hard work and dedication in enabling the children to achieve what they have after such challenging circumstances. I also want to praise all of the school staff who have been part of these children's educational journey along the way. Children's successes are never just down to one year group but are due to one, big team effort. Well done everyone!

### **School reports:**

All children from Years 1-6 received their school reports on Monday of this week. It was an absolute pleasure to read these reports and to see how well the children have progressed this year. If for some reason, you have not received your child's report e.g. due to absence, please make sure that you contact your child's teacher and they will make sure that they get it to you as soon as possible, via post if necessary.

### **Celebration assemblies:**

We have held our final round of celebration assemblies this week and Mrs. Ashwell and I have been busy presenting certificates to all year groups from Nursery through to Year 5. Obviously, Year 6 were celebrated during their Leavers' assemblies, as mentioned above. Celebration assemblies are always lovely occasions and it has been great to end the year with so much to celebrate in every year group.

### **Coppice Gymnastic Competitions:**

I want to say a huge well done to all of The Coppice gymnasts who competed in the two competitions that we held over the course of the last two weeks. These competitions are extremely important because they give an opportunity for all of the gymnasts in school, from the very youngest and least experienced to the oldest and most experienced, a chance to compete in front of peers, friends and families. This is a huge moment for a number of these children and is another confidence building block for them. It takes a lot of courage to walk out in front of a crowd and perform an individual or group routine so I want to say a huge well done to every child who took part – you can all be very proud of yourselves. Thank you and well done also to Miss. Carter and the rest of The Coppice coaches for their efforts in organising these competitions and for their hard work with all of the children throughout the year. We truly are lucky to have such dedicated staff.

### **Cricket reward trip:**

As a reward for their commitment to Physical education and how they exhibited The Coppice Way when doing so, Miss. Wells and Mr. Edwards took a group of children to Worcestershire County Cricket Club to watch a 50 overs game between the South Africa and England Lions' Academy Teams. South Africa bowled first and England fielded. The bowling and fielding were amazing to watch! Despite the heat, the children really got into the game and cheered on both teams. After lunch, the 'Activation Area' was open. This was a place where some of the cricket players from Worcestershire County Cricket Club helped the children with cricket skills such as batting and bowling. The children had a lovely day and were again perfect examples of The Coppice Way. The children who attended were Amelia G, Jack M, Austin P, Lexi E, Ava S, Gabe M, Fred B, Megan G, Ben W, Noah E, Leila, Riley D, Bethany C, and Lily S.



A huge well done to Bethany S, who, received Ms Croft's award for commitment and passion to the school choir. This is a very well-deserved award for Bethany as, without doubt, she exhibits both commitment and passion on a weekly basis. Having seen her performing at the recent school music concert, I completely agree that she is the perfect person to receive this award. Well done Bethany! Bethany is pictured receiving her award off Ms. Croft and Mr. Laight.

### **Well done again Rocko!**

I wrote in the newsletter a number of weeks ago now that Rocko, from Year 6, had won the Worcestershire Young Farmers' competition and had also placed second in a hedge-cutting competition. These accomplishments once again highlighted the incredible range of talents and interest that our children have here at The Coppice. This is exactly why I wanted the mantra 'No talent undiscovered'.

Amazingly, Rocko has now had another great achievement, which shows just how talented and busy this young man is! At the recent Young Farmers' County Show, Rocko won 1st place in junior craft. He had to make a junk rocket from bottles, cans and cardboard only, although any other decorations used didn't have to be junk. His rocket went on to represent Worcestershire at the next round which was held at the Three Counties' Showground and achieved a fantastic 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Rocko can be seen below proudly displaying his rocket and certificate.



### **More achievements for Arianna and Maiya!**

Recently, there have been more fantastic achievements in dance competitions for the talented duo: Maiya (Year 4) and Arianna (Reception). Maiya was entered for fourteen dances and placed in all of them ranging from gold to bronze. Arianna was entered in six dances, including her new solo and placed in all of them, gaining gold for her solo. In more fabulous news for Maiya, she recently auditioned for the Beauty and the Beast Pantomime at the Core Theatre in Solihull and was successful. Out of a hundred children that auditioned for twenty-four slots Maiya was chosen. Both girls are also taking part in figure skating competitions – wow!



That just leaves me to wish you all a fantastic summer holiday everyone. Thank you so much for all of your support over the course of my first, full year of Headship – it has been hugely appreciated by me! Thank you too for all of the support you've given our staff and your children. As always, I greatly look forward to seeing you and your children back for our first day of the new, academic year on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

Kind regards,

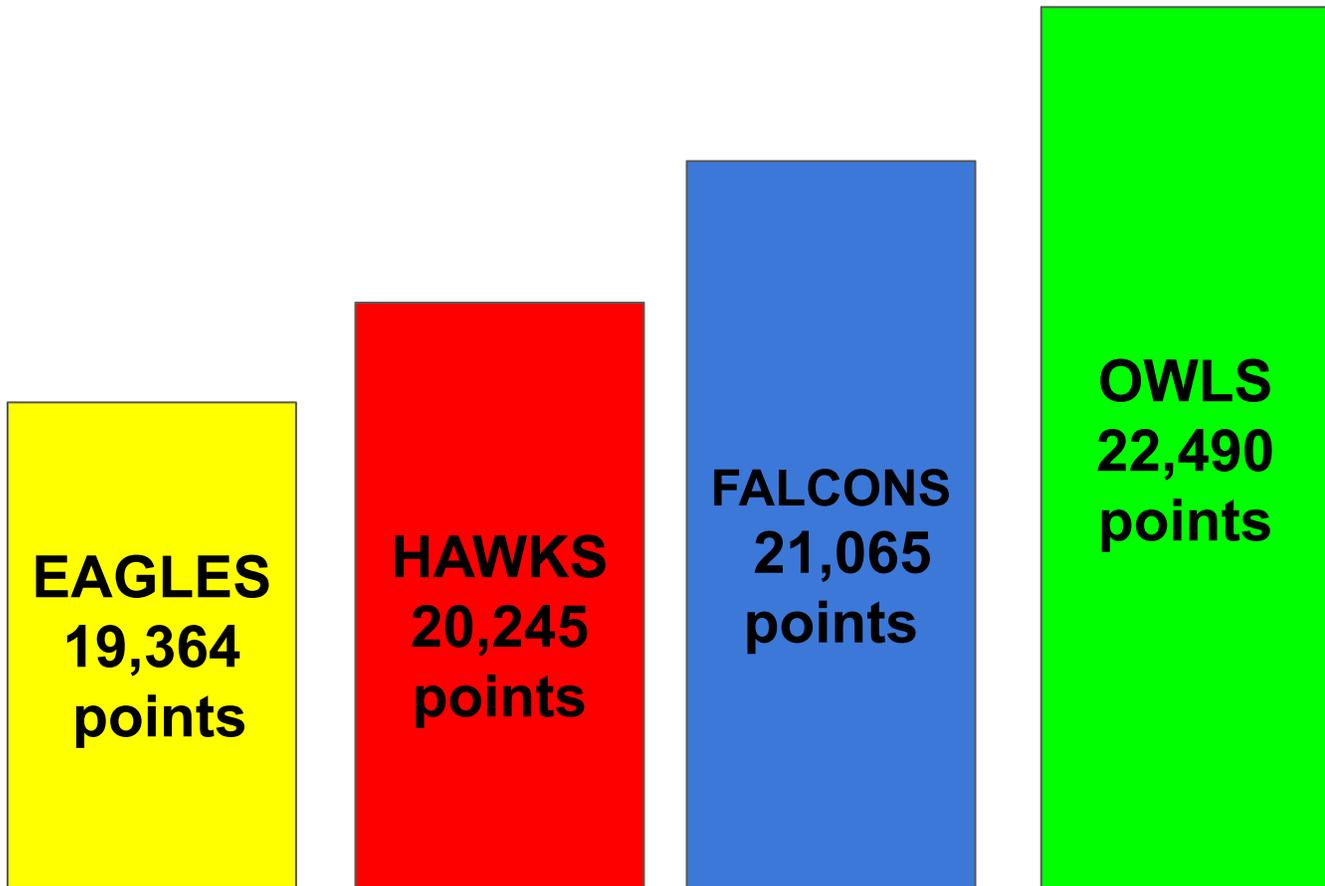
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(Headteacher)

# Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## THIS YEAR'S TEAM POINT WINNERS ARE.....



A special big 'Well Done' to the overall winning team!  
Well done to all of you for an excellent year.. You earned an incredible amount of team points between you all.....a total of 83,164 !

# 2022/2023 Academic year term dates

Holiday	School closes on (all usual school finishing time)	School re-opens on
Autumn term 2022	Not applicable	<b>Wednesday 7th September 2022</b> (Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th September are TED days)
Autumn half term	Friday 21 <sup>s</sup> October 2022	Monday 3 <sup>st</sup> October 2022
Christmas	Friday 16th December 2022	<b>Wednesday 4th January 2023</b> (TED day Tuesday 3rd January 2023)
Spring half term	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Monday 27th February 2023
Easter	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
Summer half term	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Monday 5th June 2023
Summer term ends	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	Not yet available
<b><u>Other closure days:</u></b>	Monday 1st May 2023	May Day Bank holiday
<b><u>Summer Term TED days.</u></b>	Monday 24th July 2023	Tuesday 25th July 2023

## Cool Milk

If you would like to register your child to receive school milk in the next academic year you can register safely, online and they can enjoy school milk for around £16 per term. Simply visit [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com), and select 'register my child for school milk'.

If your child already enjoys school milk then there is no need to re-register just pay as usual.

If you are in receipt of means tested Free School Meals (not KS1 Universal Free School Meals) you can get your milk for free. Just register and tell them they are FSM, they will check with school and then you will get your milk paid for.

If your child is under 5 years they will receive their milk free of charge until their 5th birthday. You do still need to register them though. On the approach to their 5th birthday CoolMilk will contact you to ask if you wish to continue or not.



# Messages from the teachers.



N	<p>What an amazing year we have had in Nursery! I am so proud of each and every one of you and wish you lots of luck as you move into Reception. Have a wonderful summer everyone! Love from Mrs Twilley xx</p> <p>Miss Kirby has loved teaching you all this year and will miss you so much when you move up to Reception</p> <p>Wishing lots of luck to all of Nursery as they move onto Reception! You are all shooting stars and we have had so much fun this year, I will miss you so much! Keep being amazing, Love Miss Bradley xx</p>
RF	<p>Oak Tree Class, you have been amazing this year and we are so very proud of you all. We will miss your smiles, your laughter and your enthusiasm for learning. We hope you have a fantastic summer break and wish you luck for your new adventures in Year One. Mrs Flynn, Mrs Bird, Miss Summerhayes and Mr Hensey</p>
RD	<p>We are all so proud of everything you have achieved this year in Reception. We will miss you very much, good luck for your new adventures in Year One. Love from Mrs Davenall, Mrs Howarth and Miss Lewis xxx</p>
RR	<p>Willow Tree Class, we have had a brilliant year together. We will miss your happiness and laughter. Now it is time for you to move into Year One, where we know you will continue to aim high and try your best in all that you do. We are so very proud of you all and wish you the best of luck! From, Mrs Russell, Mr Noakes, Mr Hensey and Mrs Thorne.</p>
1T	<p>To 1T - Thank you for working so hard all year! Each and everyone of you have amazed us with your progress. You are all superstars! We have loved being there for your 1sts.....1st Christmas production, 1st class assembly, 1st school trip. Good luck in Year 2</p>
1D	<p>Mrs Gill and I are so impressed with you all for your hard work and achievements. We are going to miss you next year. Have a lovely summer! Miss Dixon</p>
1B	<p>We have had an amazing year - thank you for making my first year at The Coppice so special. Good luck in Year 2 and keep on singing and dancing! Mrs Bellamy and not forgetting Mrs Douglas x</p>
2CA	<p>You've been such fantastic learners this year and you've made me very proud of all of your hard work. I hope you have a wonderful summer and get to spend lots of time doing the things you enjoy. I will really miss you but look forward to still saying hello when I see you in the corridor next year! Love Mrs Ashforth x</p>
2A	<p>2A thank you for a brilliant year! I am so proud of you all for everything you have achieved! I can't wait to be back with you in Year 3. Have a great and well-deserved holiday! Miss Allen</p>
2RB	<p>It has been so lovely to have taught you for the last two years and to see your growth through the covid times and home-schooling to now! Good Luck next year! Best wishes Mrs Rowles and Mrs Bond.</p>
3K	<p>To all of the wonderful children in 3K, Thank you so much for a fantastic year. From our swimming lessons and our class assembly back in the Autumn Term to our trip in the Summer Term and everything in between. You have been an amazing class to teach and I will miss you all. Have a lovely summer, Miss Keight</p>
3KP	<p>What a wonderful year! I'll miss you but I know you'll have fun in Year 4. Have a restful summer. Love Ms Perry</p>
3P	<p>3P you have been absolutely amazing this year and I have had such a great time being your teacher. Thank you for all your hard work, super 'Coppice Way' behaviour and all of the fun times we have had too. I'm going to miss you so much next year. Good luck in Year 4 and have a fantastic summer holiday. Miss Pugh</p>
4AW	<p>4AW, it has been a pleasure! We've had some highs and some lows but what I will remember the most is the fun we have had! Good luck in Year 5!</p>
4MW	<p>It has been a pleasure teaching 4MW! They are all wonderful children who really love learning and have made my job so enjoyable this year. I will miss them dearly next year. Have a wonderful summer 4MW, remember to pop back and come and see me next year and good luck in Year 5!</p>

4J	4J, you've been amazing! I've loved teaching you and will miss you all next year. Good luck for Year 5 and keep up your super work. Miss Johnson :)
5BG	Wishing you all a wonderful summer! Make the most of the lovely weather by getting outside to ride bikes, climb trees, paddle in rivers and, most importantly, play box ball! Love from Mrs Blundell & Miss Ellithorn x-
5W	5W/R, you have been amazing throughout the time that I have had with you all. You are little rays of sunshine that keep on growing and I am sure that you will continue to carry on growing in Year 6. Enjoy next year and I will look forward to seeing you all after the summer. Mrs R.
5F	5F, what a year we have had! It has been an absolute privilege to teach you this year. Thank you for making my first year of teaching such a special one. Please don't hesitate to come and say hello!
6G	Goodbye and good luck 6G. We have had a great year and now it is farewell and off to high school. All the best in your new adventures. Miss Gatfield, Mrs Abbotts, Mrs Tonks
6C	My main message is in your yearbook but goodbye and good luck in your new school. Have a relaxing break. Love Miss Cox
6K	I cannot believe this time has come! It has been an absolute pleasure teaching you for these past two years. You're a bunch of enthusiastic, hilarious bright sparks who are destined for great things. Good luck and farewell! Miss Keogh x

## Holiday activities and food (HAF) 2022



The free activities are funded by the Department for Education (DfE) for children who receive free school meals (FSM) or children who have been referred to the HAF programme by professionals.

If eligible, your account will be automatically credited with 16 free passes per child on sign up. You can browse activities by map, calendar, or list.

All activity clubs are inclusive of Children with SEND and you are welcome to book any of our mainstream activity days. Please take care on sign up to provide as much information about your child to providers – it's important that they have this in order to best support and safeguard your child. We do also have some specialised SEND clubs on offer, these are run by providers with specialist facilities, training or adapted activities. To find these, type 'SEND' into the keyword search.

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## A very special birthday

Today our staff celebrated a very special birthday for one of our lunchtime supervisors. Her milestone birthday falls during the holidays but we couldn't let it go without a mention. Mrs Newey, who has been at the Coppice for over 20 years puts her good health and vitality down to enjoying her job and the pleasure she gets from being with the children. None of the children could guess how old she is - some of them wrong by more than 20 years!

She was overwhelmed with flowers and gifts from her colleagues and there was a little party in the staffroom with her fellow lunchtime supervisors.

Congratulations Mrs Newey 90 years young!!



## WCC job vacancy

Worcester County Council are looking to employ Bikeability Instructors. They are looking for competent cyclists who reside in Worcestershire, who have a passion for teaching children and are available in school term time hours to work flexibly on zero hours contracts (i.e. don't rely on a stable income stream). All the information you will need can be found by following the link below.

<https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/131935/cycle-instructor-casual/>



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## Summer Holiday Catch-up Programme

**1st - 25th August**

We will be offering group sessions from Year 2 to Year 11 in Maths and from Year 2 to Year 6 English. The sessions will be covering some of the key concepts in each year group and are designed to support children who may benefit from the extra boost before they start the new school year, in September. We are also offering face-to-face and online 1:1 tuition for pupils who require more tailored, individual support.

Please contact us for further information (see contact details below).

### PRIMARY

**MONDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 2 MATHS  
**TUESDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 3 MATHS  
**WEDNESDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 4 MATHS  
**THURSDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 5 MATHS  
**FRIDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 6 MATHS

**10:15 - 11:15AM: YEAR 2 ENGLISH**  
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### SECONDARY

**MONDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 7 MATHS  
**TUESDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 9 MATHS  
**WEDNESDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 11 MATHS  
**THURSDAY:** 9 - 10AM: YEAR 8 MATHS  
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