



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 29th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely Easter break with your children and got chance to spend some quality time together. Thankfully, we were blessed with some lovely weather too, which is always a bonus. It has been a joy to welcome the children back for the start of the summer term and I'm full of excitement with the thought of being able to hold special events such as Parents' Evenings, Sports' Days and the Summer Revel with parents and carers present – it's been too long without you all!

Celebration Assemblies:

We've had a fantastic first week in school this week with a real highlight being our Celebration Assemblies for Years 1-6 where we recognised the children's achievements for the half-term before we broke up for Easter. We always hold these assemblies at the very beginning of the next half-term as it allows the teachers to reflect on all of the children in their class over the holiday and to decide who they think should be the trophy winners, as this is never an easy task!

Once again, it was an absolute pleasure to front all of these assemblies and to hear the reasons why the children, who became the recipients of the trophies, were awarded them. What really stood out to me again was how our curriculum, and the awards that we have created for the different subject disciplines, have allowed for all of our children's talents and abilities to not only be recognised but also discovered.

As you know, I am passionate about The Coppice being a school where no child's talents go undiscovered during their time with us so to hear teachers talking about discovering children in their classes who are artists, actors, scientists, historians, geographers, writers, readers, sports people and musicians is a fabulous feeling. You can see a full breakdown of who the trophy winners and team point medal winners were later on in this newsletter.

We will also be celebrating the achievements of our Nursery and Reception children over the course of the next couple of weeks. Presenting certificates and giving out stickers to our youngest children is something that I always look forward to doing and both Mrs. Ashwell and I can't wait to be doing so as it is always a lovely occasion.

Uniform:

Just a quick reminder, as per my newsletter before the Easter break, that children can now wear summer uniform if they wish to. You can find a full list of the school's uniform expectations on the school website in the 'Parents' section. Here you will find a link called 'whole school information' and within this you will find a link to 'uniform'. Please remember that all uniform expectations (both winter and summer uniform) need to be followed in full. Your child's Class Teacher will also be mentioning uniform on their weekly newsletters.

Parents' Evening next week:

We are greatly looking forward to our Parents' and Carer meetings on Tuesday and Thursday next week and to discussing your child's progress with you. As you know, we will also be discussing the targets that have been set for the children so as to ensure their continued progress and development. It has been a long time since we have been able to hold in-school meetings but, thankfully, we are now in a position to do so. Obviously though, we have also made the decision to still have an evening of on-line SchoolCloud meetings as we know that this works better for some of you and it is important that we enable all parents and carers to be able to discuss your child with their teacher.

Gates at the end of the day:

Please be aware that the gates to let parents onto site at the end of the school day may open a little later than they were doing over the course of the autumn and spring terms (this has already happened a couple of times this week). The reason for this is that, with the better weather that we have been having, we are now in a position to have some of our Physical Education lessons on the school field. However, this does mean that we have to ensure that the children have left the field and have returned to class before the gates are opened, obviously for safeguarding reasons. We will always endeavour to have the gates open by 3.05pm at the latest though and thank you for your patience and understanding with why this is the case.



Well done School Council!

I had the pleasure this week of meeting our School Council in order to celebrate their fantastic achievement in raising £75.50 from the Easter Egg Hunt that they organised prior to the holiday. It was lovely to meet them all in person and to thank them for their efforts. I know that all of the children, who took part in the hunt, had a lot of fun. The Councillors will now meet with their classes to get their ideas on which plants should be considered as part of the garden. Designing a new project takes time and effort which we know the Council are committed to giving

Well done Lily!

Huge congratulations to Lily S from Year 6 for her achievement in gaining her Grade 2 Practical Guitar award from her recent music exams. As you know, as well as celebrating our children's in-school achievements at The Coppice, it is also really important to us that we celebrate our children's successes that occur outside of school as well. We have so many talented children here at The Coppice and so many children with many and varied interests that they pursue both in and out of school. It is always wonderful when children want to come and tell me about what they have achieved and I absolutely love seeing the pride that this, quite rightly, gives them. Well done Lily – we are very proud of you!



That just leaves me wish you all a lovely Bank weekend with your children – don't forget that we won't be back in school until Tuesday 3rd May. We greatly look forward to welcoming the children then.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Chromebooks and trolleys donated by AT&T

Earlier this academic year, one of our parents, Mr Hubbard, submitted a proposal to AT&T, the company he works for. The Coppice to benefit from a technology grant of £14,300 to fund the purchase of 40 Chromebooks as well as 8 new Chromebook trolleys to house these and our existing Chromebooks for our KS2 pupils to use in the classrooms.

We are very pleased to announce that all this equipment was installed into our teaching spaces at the end of last term and our pupils are now really enjoying using it all.

Again a massive thank you to Mr Hubbard and all at AT&T for this generous sponsorship.



Good Luck

Good luck to the sixteen gymnasts who will be representing our school and the West Midlands this weekend at the schools' national floor and vault finals. We will update you with how they got on in next week's newsletter.



Dates for your diary

Monday 2nd May - May Day Bank Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday 3rd May - Rec- Y6 face to face parents evenings in school & Mrs Twilley's class video calls

Wednesday 4th May- Nursery Face to face parents evening, 5BG video calls

Thursday 5th May - Y6 video calls

Friday 6th May - PTA fundraiser - MAY MADNESS! - See flyer on this newsletter

Friday 6th May- 1B class assembly

9th , 10th, 11th, 13th May - Y1 Phonics workshops

Monday 9th May- Reception eye tests

10th, 11th , 12th May - Y6 SATS

Tuesday 10th May - Parent Forum.

Monday 16th May - Reception eye tests

Monday 16th May - Young Voices (choir only)

Thursday 19th May- special themed lunch menu- further details to follow.

Friday 20th May - 3P class assembly

23rd-26th May - Y5 Bikeability

Monday 23rd May - Class group photographs - more details to follow

Thursday 26th May - Y2 Botanical gardens trip

Friday 27th May - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TED DAY

Monday 6th June - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR QUEEN'S JUBILEE (deferred national holiday)

Tuesday 7th June - School reopens.

Eco Committee News

The Eco Committee have had the difficult job of judging the 'Message in a Bottle Top Competition' entries this week. They met on Thursday afternoon and spent over an hour deliberating as there were so many fantastic entries - thank you and well done to everyone who entered! A huge well done to our winner, Maiya in 4MW, who designed a fantastic sea life mural showing the effect of plastic pollution on sea creatures and coral. We will be busy working over the next couple of weeks turning your design into a mural out of bottle tops in school. The Eco Committee can't wait to get started for a chance to win £5000 for our playground!

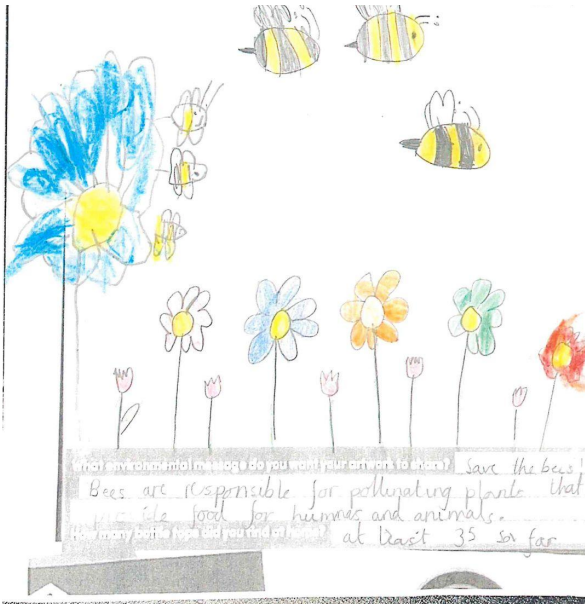
1st place - Maiya V (4MW)

2nd place - Ava V (1D)



3rd place - Alivia and Ryan C (3P and 1D)

Our winners were congratulated by Mr Hutt! and Miss Whiteley



SPRING 2

**Team Point
Champions!**

**Medals
awarded to
the top 3 in
each class.**

	3rd (Bronze)	2nd (Silver)	1st (Gold)
1D	Oliver (Eagle)	Harrison (Hawk)	Ryan (Owl)
1T	Frankie Mc (Falcon)	Phebe (Falcon)	Katie (Hawk)
1B	Alice F (Owl)	Georgia (Falcon)	Finley (Owl)
2CA	Evelyn (Hawk)	Cody (Hawk)	Stella (Eagle)
2A	Mason T (Falcon)	Arthur (Owl)	Imogen (Falcon)
2RB	Louis (Hawk)	Poppy (Hawk)	Rohan (Eagle)
3KP	Maeva (Eagle)	Amelia (Falcon)	Ayla (Owl)
3K	Alex (Falcon)	Dev (Owl)	Emily (Eagle)
3P	Florence (Hawk)	Delilah (Owl)	Alivia (Owl)
4AW	Isobel (Falcon)	Poppy F (Eagle)	Ava -Mae (Falcon)
4MW	Lucas (Owl)	Gregory (Eagle)	Orlando (Eagle)
4J	Issac (Hawk)	Thomas (Falcon)	Jacob (Hawk)
5BG	Kiera (Eagle)	Poppy (Owl)	Dylan (Hawk)
5W	Reuben (Falcon)	Jack R (Eagle)	Jaiden (Owl)
5F	Isla-Rose (Eagle) Ben (Hawk)	Erisa (Hawk)	Charlie (Eagle)
6G	Joel (Hawk)	Caitlyn (Owl)	Abigail (Falcon)
6K	James F (Owl)	Ava (Owl)	Freddie (Falcon)
6C	Jess T (Eagle)	Ofelia (Owl)	Cara (Owl)

Trophy Winners

	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
THE COPPICE WAY	Helen (1D)	Ava-Louise (2A)	Caitlyn (3P)	Jamie (4J)	Leila-Rose (5F)	Akalini (6G)
STAR MATHEMATICIAN	Hudson (1D)	Aron (2CA)	Henry (3KP)	Abdullah (4J)	Dougie (5W)	Arran (6G)
STAR WRITER	Simar (1B)	Stella (2CA)	Phoebe (3K)	Isobel (4AW)	Hollie (5W)	Lola (6G)
STAR READER	Arria (1D)	Jared (2CA)	Evie (3KP)	Niall (4AW)	Megan (5F)	James F (6K)
STAR SCIENTIST	Jasmin (1T)	Cooper (2A)	Alex (3P)	Maiya (4MW)	Ben (5F)	Amelia G (6C) Jacob D (6C)
SPORTS STAR	Isaac H (1B)	Millie (2RB)	Delilah (3P)	Sam R(4MW)	Curtis (5BG)	Grace (6K)
THE ARTS STAR	Frankie M (1T)	Dexter (2A)	Esmee (3K)	Lucy (4MW)	Dylan (5BG)	Ben (6K)
HUMANITIES STAR	Ivy(1B)	Poppy (2RB)	George (3KP)	Joshua (4J)	Isla (5F)	Lily (6C)

PTA Fundraiser - next Friday

The Coppice PTA presents:

May Madness!

Friday 6th May

It's all gone a bit MAD!!

Join us for May Madness! We would like to see your craziest outfits and mad hair styles.

All we ask is a £1.00 donation and lots of imagination!!

If you like to use your imagination for your schoolwork, we would love to see how you use it to choose your style too!



There will also be a tuck shop in both playgrounds after school.

All monies raised will be used towards adding extra items to the quad development.



Parentkind
Member Association

Community news

11am-5pm

FUNTOPIA
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Under 90cm Free
Over 90cm £10
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1st May, 2nd July and 11th August
Arrow Valley Country Park, Redditch B98 0LJ

Alvechurch Football Club

Ability Counts Sessions

Alvechurch Football Club are proud to be hosting Ability Count Sessions. These sessions are held for those with conditions ranging from Mild learning difficulties to physical disabilities. These sessions are also FREE of charge.

Date: Every Friday
Time: 5pm onwards
Venue: The Hayes Sports Field, Redhill Road, B38 8LP
(Entrance adjacent to Birmingham City training facility - West Hills)
Age Range: 5 year olds - 13 year olds

These sessions will be held on a brand new state of-the-art 3G astroturf at the Hayes.

For further enquiries and to get in touch, please contact the Head of Disability: **Matt Clarkson**
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