

The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Star of the week

Star of the Week children were not chosen last week due to Friday being a snow day.

Assembly theme

The theme for next week will be: "Thoughtfulness".

Team Points

Week ending 1.3.18

1st 172 - Hawks

2nd 136- Owls

3rd 122 -Falcons

4th 115 -Eagles

Head Teacher's News

Parents' Evenings 21st and 27th March

From Monday to Wednesday next week, booking forms will be available in our Junior Hall, first thing in the morning (available from 7.30 am for Care Club parents via the main office doors).

Parents and home life are the most important influence on a child. Accordingly, we need your help in making our children the best they can be. Parents Evenings help optimise the partnership* between parents and school; hence we give quality time of at least 15 minutes per child within our Parents' Evening meetings.

A crèche will be made available too for those who have pre-booked.

We will also expect the child to attend the meeting with you because we think it is important that the children are there to hear the messages and understand what they need to do to improve.

We will try to keep the meeting business like, clearly focusing on three main things:

- 1. Regarding achievement, where is the child now?** (How do they compare with national expectations?).
- 2. Where do we want them to realistically be?** (This will include discussions around any barriers there might be).
- 3. What are we going to do to get them there?**

By the end of the meeting it is hoped that parents will leave with a clear understanding of the above as well as:

- Whether their child is happy at school
- What their child's strengths/weaknesses are
- What their child is finding difficult and how parents can help with this*
- Whether their child tries hard enough
- Whether their child participates properly
- How parents can help with their child's schoolwork in general
- Whether their child has made sufficient progress
- Whether their child's behaviour gives any cause for concern

* You should have a good understanding of what your children's targets are and how you can access their updated targets as they change over the weeks.

Attendance and Punctuality

Weekly % attendance w/b 26.2.18					
RD	96.9	RT	84.8	RA	98.8
1H	98.6	1T	96.0	1P	95.7
2K	96.0	2CA	95.2	2A	93.1
3C	96.7	3M	98.1	3P	95.2
4VW	99.1	4B	99.3	4AW	96.5
5H	91.7	5J	95.6	Whole School	
6L	94.5	6G	97.5	95.1%	

Congratulations to RA and 4B for having the highest attendance in KS1 and KS2 respectively.

Punctuality Award: KS1: 1H KS2: 5J

Reporting Absence

For safeguarding purposes, please phone the office on 01564 826709 or text 01564 432005 before 8.30am on each and every day your child is absent. Please be aware that we are advised by our EWO to record all unexplained absences as 'unauthorised'.

This week at The Coppice

Book club event: "On Tuesday 6th March the Year 5 and Year 6 Book Club travelled to Worcester County Hall. There we took part in the Awesomest Book Award Ceremony. We started the quiz at around 10am. After the quiz, during the break, we were treated to a slice of cake or two! Then we heard the author's speech. It was Chris Callaghan, the winner of last year's competition, with his book "The Great Chocplot". Following this we were able to get our books signed by him. Next we had lunch and had lots to talk about on the way back". By Joshua P 6G

Y3 Roman Day: Year 3 had a fun day on Monday when two Roman soldiers visited school. Children learned about what life was like as a Roman soldier, a Roman slave and a Roman woman. They had a chance to touch Roman artefacts, try on items of clothing and take part in an activity learning Roman shield formations whilst other children threw (foam) spears at them! They also learned some Latin words for parts of a soldier's armour.

On Friday some Year 4 children travelled to Lickey Hills Primary School to take part in a Tri-Golf Tournament.

Important dates

We are approaching the time of year when the national testing is carried out in schools. Year 1 will have phonics screening, Year 2 have their SATs and of course Year 6 will have their SATs too. It is crucial that children are not absent from school during these important times.

Year 2 SATs during the whole month of May and Year 6 have their tests on the week commencing 14th May. Year 1 screening will take place in the week commencing 11th June.

Other news



Did you know about

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HAPPINESS?

Tuesday 20th March 2018



Mrs Ashwell delivered an assembly to the children and asked them to think about what makes them happy and how they can make other people happy.



In 2012, the **United Nations** General Assembly declared that 20th March should be The International Day of Happiness (Happiness Day). It is now celebrated worldwide every year on this day.

Donation request.

Do you have any small complete Lego kits that you would be prepared to donate to our Lego club please?

Mothering Sunday at St Mary's.

All are welcome to join us at St Mary's on Mothering Sunday, 11th March. We have an informal all-age service at 10.30am and Mums, Grans, Dads, children and people of all ages are invited to join us.

Our Website.....<http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk>

You can find out more from our school website. You can voice an opinion on any school related issue by using our virtual suggestion box but if you wish to contact a Governor regarding any issues either email the school office (office@coppice.worcs.sch.uk) or send a letter in an envelope and your correspondence will be passed on in confidence.

