

The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Well Prepared for Life

Star of the week

Week ending
21.12.18

RB- Eva E
RT- Ámelie-Rose P
1A- Lily B
3M- Heidi R
3P- Arran P
3C- Daisy B
4AW- Holly W
4VW- Jaesh M
4B-Everyone for a
great Christmas
production
5AD- Kaci E

Assembly theme

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

Team Points

Week ending 11.01.19
First- Hawks 452
Second- Falcons 343
Equal Third- Owls
and Eagles 297

Head Teacher's News

Important information regarding changes to your child's spelling homework

At The Coppice we are constantly evaluating how children learn and how best we can ensure that the skills and knowledge they are taught are committed to their long-term memories.

As with many other schools, children acquiring key spelling rules and patterns is an important area of focus for us in terms of school development, especially due to the high level of spelling demand within the current National Curriculum across all year groups.

At present, children in Years 2-6 have daily Read, Write, Inc spelling or phonic teaching delivered by their Class Teacher where spelling rules are taught and where the children can practise the rule through a series of different activities. As you will all know from your child's homework, this class teaching and practise is then supplemented through on-line practise using "Spellodrome".

However, in order to ensure that the children secure their knowledge of the taught spelling rules, patterns and other key words even more comprehensively, we are also going to be asking your child every week to practise learning six key spellings at home using what is known as the 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' method. This a proven strategy for helping children to learn spellings and will complement greatly what we already do.

The children will be expected to practise these six spellings daily over the course of the week and they will then be tested on them. Not only will this enable your child to test themselves but it will also enable us to further assess how well they are progressing in terms of their learning of spelling.

In order that your child can record their practise in a systematic way, next Monday (14th January 2019) all children from Years 2-6 will receive a new 'Homework Log'. Within the log there will now be a 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' section where the practise can be completed.

Please help your child to use this strategy by getting them to:

-Look at the new spelling carefully

-Say it

-Cover it over with a piece of paper or their hand

-Write the spelling again next to the word

-Uncover the spelling to check if they have got it right

The current 'Spellodrome' homework expectations will not change as the new expectation will run alongside it.

As this is an extremely important homework activity, any child who does not fulfil this new expectation at home will be expected to complete it at school in their own time.

If you have any questions about the new spelling homework expectations, please speak to your child's Class Teacher.

Once again, thank you for your support with your child's learning.

Attendance and Punctuality

% attendance 1.9.18-21.12.18					
RD	97.2	RT	94.8	RB	96.6
1H	95.1	1A	97.0	1J	97.5
2K	97.9	2CA	97.8	2A	97.8
3C	96.0	3M	96.5	3P	95.7
4VW	98.0	4B	96.4	4AW	98.4
5J	97.4	5AD	95.2	5L	96.0
6L	97.8	6G	95.0	Whole school 96.7%	

Highest Weekly Attendance w/b 17.12.18

Congratulations to 1J (a fantastic 100%) and 6L (99.4%) for having the highest weekly attendance in KS1 and KS2 respectively.

Punctuality Award: KS1: 1J KS2: 5J

This week at The Coppice

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all.

Good news! 229 children from Reception to Year 6 achieved 100% attendance for the Autumn term (it was 185 this time last year) and these children will therefore qualify to receive and wear the bronze star on their tie or sweatshirt for the rest of this academic year. If your child is wearing a gold star from the previous term's reward please ensure that this is removed and kept at home.

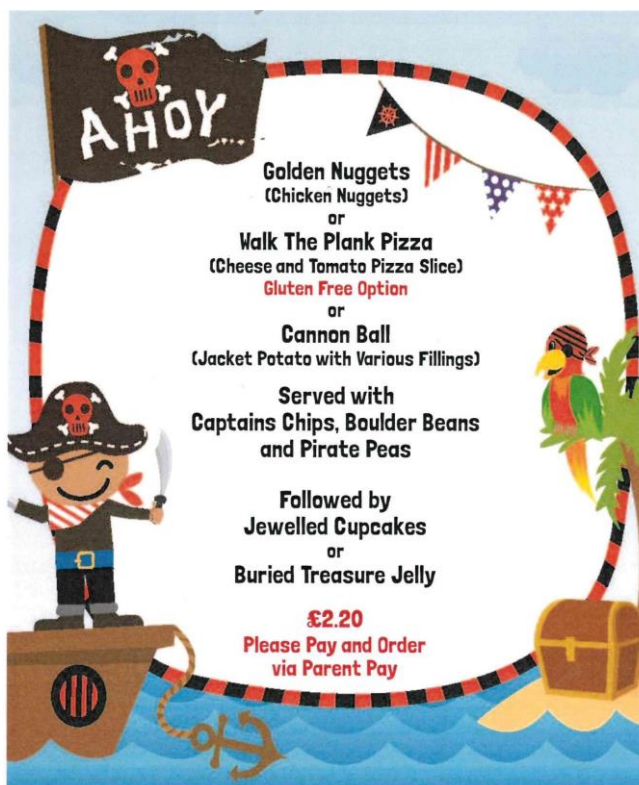
Next week at The Coppice

There will be a special pirate themed school lunch on Thursday 17th January. This can only be ordered via Parent Pay, however it is not possible to make a change to the uploaded menus so the menu on Parent Pay will not show the new meal choices.

For chicken nuggets please select the beef lasagne option

For walk the plank pizza (meat and gluten free) please select the macaroni cheese option.

For cannon ball please select the jacket potato option.



Can you help?

The PTA are collecting good quality 'unwanted' Christmas presents that can be used for future PTA events e.g. prizes for raffles, tombolas etc. Therefore, if you have any presents that you don't want or need such as hair and beauty sets, bath bombs, bottles of wine, gloves, costume jewellery etc. could you please drop them to the PTA who will be in the Junior hall on Friday 25th January (from 8.25 am).

Are there any children with dinosaur related items they no longer want? Reception will be learning all about dinosaurs over the next two weeks and would appreciate donations of anything "dinosaurish".

Lost Property

Reclaim it or lose it! The lost property box is again overflowing. Mrs Small will be going through the box next week. She will return named items to their owners and will be disposing of all unnamed items. Please make sure that you check the box next week if you have something missing.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you to ensure that ALL items are clearly named.

Missing – a Woodrush PE kit in a black Nike PE bag. Please hand in to the school office if you find it. Thank you.

Our Website Links

School website- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/>

Newsletter- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/about-us/main-school-newsletter-and-nursery-newsletter/>

PTA- <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/coppice/#.Wv1BYDQvypo>

Calendar- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/about-us/calendar/>

Suggestions box- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/about-us/suggestion-box/>

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