

# The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Well Prepared for Life

## Star of the week

RD- Kevin  
RG- Rohan  
RT- Georgia  
1H- Malaya  
1P- Caitlyn  
1W- Jessie-Lee  
2A- Miguel  
2CA- Sam R  
2J- Ella  
3HK- Aroush  
3K- Ava J  
3P- George  
4M- Amelia  
4S- Daisy  
4W- Lola W  
5G- Olly  
5K- Maisie  
5LG- Stanley  
6C- Jake  
6L- Faye  
6G- Nirujah

## Assembly theme

The theme for the week after half term will be respect.

## Team Points

Week ending 14.02.20

First- Owls 77  
Second- Hawks 74  
Third- Eagles 63  
Fourth - Falcons 61

## Head Teacher's News

### World Book Day Thursday 5th March 2020

In contrast to previous years, we will **not** be asking for children to dress up as characters this year. Instead, we invite children to come to school on the 5th in pyjamas and dressing gowns and to bring a favourite book with them. They can also bring slippers, a cushion and/or a teddy. This is to ensure that part of the day can be used for cosy reading for pleasure.

There will be no charge for this non-uniform day: we warmly encourage parents, if you're able to, to spend any money that would've previously bought costumes on books for your child/ren.

If children don't want to come in their pyjamas/dressing gown, they can choose to come in school uniform. If the children do come to school wearing their cosy clothes, it is important that you ensure that they have a coat and appropriate footwear for break and lunch times.

World Book Day vouchers will be given out on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February. There are some brilliant £1 books available this year, so keep an eye out for these vouchers coming home.

## Reading Matters at The Coppice

Mr Laight is our Literacy Coordinator (amongst other roles) and he will be producing a half termly newsletter all about reading. This will be called Reading Matters at The Coppice. The first edition will accompany this week's newsletter. The aim is to share key messages about reading, as well as book reviews and recommendations, messages from authors and news about the latest developments in reading at The Coppice.

## Spring Music concert

Some of our Coppice musicians entertained family and friends on Wednesday night with a thoroughly enjoyable evening of live music and singing at our Spring Concert. Around 60 pupils took part and demonstrated their growing musical skills. We had performances on guitar, saxophone, clarinet, flute, piano, solo voice as well as our Young Voices choir. Some of the children were performing for the first time to a real audience and without a doubt they all 'did themselves proud'. Thanks must be extended to the music tutors and Ms Croft our choir leader as well as the PTA for organising the refreshments and raffle. Finally, thanks to the appreciative and supportive audience- the sale of tickets raised over £225 which will be used to buy new musical resources for classroom teaching.



## Mr Edwards' Sports Report

On Friday 31st January the **boys' Year 6 athletics team** travelled to Arrow Vale Academy for the district tournament. Eight schools from Redditch were there and Coppice were up for the challenge. Birchensale had won both the girls and boys tournaments for at least the last 6 years, so we knew we were in for a tough time. We had practised and the team were confident but still a bit nervous about their events.

Coppice were never out of the top three in all of the events; taking first place in both the single lap relay and the over and under relay. In the field we were victorious in the triple jump and vertical jump. It was neck and neck with Birchensale until the last event, the 4x1 relay.

None of the athletes or spectators knew that the two schools were equal on points but it was an exciting finish to the event. We were drawn in lane three and Birchensale were in lane four. Coppice ran well, but like the girls the week previously, it was our baton changing that gave us the edge. A fantastic last leg by Zane gave Coppice the win and meant that the school had won the boys' tournament overall by just two points, breaking the cycle of wins by Birchensale. The boys' team now go on to represent the district at the county tournament in March.

A fantastic achievement, well done to everyone; Kealan, Zane, Billy, Joe, Fin, Harry, Leo, Asher, Matthew, Lucas, Han, Dylan, Jacob, James and Jack PB. A big thanks to Miss Wells for coming with us.

So as well as our fantastic gymnasts, we now have our Year 6 football team in the County final, the Year 6 boys athletics team in the County final and three athletes running in the County Cross Country. Not too shabby!

On Thursday 20th February the **Year 6 mixed netball** team visited Beaconside Primary for the rearranged Grove cup match. Our hosts, Beaconside, had clearly put in some hours practising since we last played against them and it showed when the games started.

When we last met the Coppice Reds were easy winners but on this occasion it was much more of a contest. Although Coppice had the main share of possession they were finding it difficult to score. A sustained period of attack in the second half led to Coppice eventually taking the victory 5-1.

In the second match Coppice Blues were under pressure straight away, and were down 6-2 at half time. A quick shuffle of positions by Miss Gieron and away they went for the second half. Our GA and GS, Emily and Billy scored ten times in the second half and our opposition failed to score, making the final score 12-6 to Coppice.

Well done to Eloise, Florence, Han, Fin, Billy, Emily, Jack PB, Penny, Nicole, Molly, Joe and Leo. Thanks to Miss Gieron for coming with us.

### **Can't win them all!**

On Wednesday 11th February the **Year 6 boys' football** team visited South Bromsgrove School for the County Finals. Four teams from Hereford and Worcester have qualified for the County play offs, the winners will be representing the County at the national finals in Nottingham.

Coppice played against Parkside, St Barnabas and Hagley. The standard was fantastic. The first game against Parkside saw Coppice work hard for a 1-1 draw. The boys played against St Barnabas next and took an early lead against the team who eventually went on to win the tournament. Our opposition drew level and managed to score a winner with the last kick of the match. The Coppice boys were pretty deflated and in their last match took a heavy defeat against Hagley, losing 5-1.

We are always learning and it was great to be involved at such a high level.

Well done Joe, Billy, Jacob, Max, Charlie, Fin, Han, Jack PB, James, Leo and Harry .

Thanks to Miss Wells for organising and coming with us.

## Gymnastics competition news

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 24 of our gymnasts travelled to Stoke-on Trent to take part in the Floor and Vault competition. Jude, James S, Dougie, George, Beau, Rocko, James P, Jack, Charlie, Olivia, Grace, Annalise, Chloe, Leila, Ayva, Saskia, Freya, Lydia, Naomi, Lola, Holly, Alana and Amber. The girls Under 11 team won a BRONZE medal and the boys and mixed Under 11s won GOLD medals! Our other competitors performed fantastically and made the coaches and the parents proud but fell just short of a medal position. Jack, James P and Olivia also won individual SILVER medals. Well done everyone.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February was the Key Steps gym competition at Cocks Moors Wood Leisure Centre. 23 children took part, 12 children in Year 4 and Year 5 and 11 children in Year 1 and Year 2.

Lara, Abigale, Hannah, Holly, Annabelle, Ava, Ofelia, Daisy, Frankie, Olly, Keeva, and Dolce were our older competitors and Ben, Megan, Eliza, Levi, Abigail, Chloe, Layla, Riana, Orlando, Maeva and Isabella were our younger competitors. This was the first competition for many of our gymnasts and Miss Carter was delighted with our amazing results.

The KS1 teams came 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and the KS2 teams came 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. There were also individual medals for Maeva SILVER, Chloe GOLD, Daisy BRONZE, Lara GOLD, Levi BRONZE, Orlando SILVER, Ben GOLD and Olly GOLD.

We are so proud of ALL our gymnasts who show skill, determination, resilience and dedication.

## Mr Laight's Football club (Years 5 and 6)

If you were a member of Mr Laight's Thursday Football Club back in September you will be pleased to know that the club will re-start on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Unfortunately there are no spaces available for new players but if you are already signed up and have completed consent previously you are welcome to attend.

## Choir recruitment

Choir now recruiting form Years 3, 4, 5, & 6. If you have not returned the consent form please do so immediately after half term as the first practice will be on 28<sup>th</sup> February. If you didn't get a form but would like one please come to the school office. You can also download this letter (and all other club letters) from the school website <https://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/our-pupils/school-clubs/choir/>

## Attendance and Punctuality

% attendance 1.9.19 – 7.2.20					
<b>RD</b>	93.3	<b>RT</b>	95.9	<b>RG</b>	93.7
<b>1H</b>	95.2	<b>1P</b>	95.0	<b>1W</b>	95.3
<b>2CA</b>	96.6	<b>2A</b>	95.8	<b>2J</b>	96.5
<b>3P</b>	97.0	<b>3K</b>	98.7	<b>3HK</b>	95.8
<b>4M</b>	96.6	<b>4W</b>	93.6	<b>4S</b>	95.0
<b>5G</b>	96.5	<b>5K</b>	96.5	<b>5LG</b>	95.8
<b>6L</b>	96.8	<b>6G</b>	94.3	<b>6C</b>	97.0
<b>Whole school 95.8%</b>					

### Highest Weekly Attendance w/b 3.2.20

Congratulations to RD & 5G for having the highest attendance in KS1 and KS2 respectively (both with a fantastic 100%).

Punctuality Award: KS1: 2J KS2: 6L & 6C



promoting physics

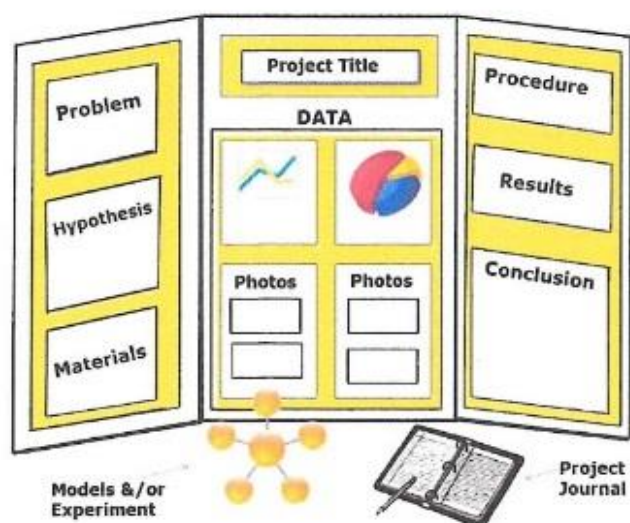
## Primary Science Fair 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to be taking part in this year's Primary Science Fair. There will be a whole school competition and then an inter school final with 5 other schools. There is a Reception /Year 1 &2 / Year 3&4 and Year 5&6 category.

The project can be an age appropriate experiment to answer a question or a problem, along with a solution, or it could be a research project. It can be on any area of science that interests your child, for example 'How many stars can we see?', 'How does a hovercraft work?' or 'What would my family eat on the ISS if we were with Tim Peake?', 'What happens when I mix.....and.....?'



When your child has carried out their investigation or research they have to make a display board to communicate their learning to others. This can be made from a large cardboard box opened out and then painted or covered in wrapping paper and held together with tape. It needs to have three panels of information (as shown).

This display board should show the project title/question/problem, what your child thinks the answer is, what they did to investigate their question, what they found and a conclusion. If they wish, they may also include a small model, experiment and/or project notes.

All projects need to be in school by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** and our School Science Fair will

take place during the week of **23<sup>rd</sup> March**. A panel of judges will help to choose the best projects to represent the school at the Regional Primary Science Fair to be held on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**.

I can't wait to see your projects!

Good Luck!

Mrs Tomkinson

Science Subject Leader

# Upcoming PTA Fundraisers

## Coppice Class Copper Change Challenge

So how does it work?

Every class will have a container to collect any small change. Bring your coins into school, pop them in the container and the first class to reach the winning line will be victorious!

Every class that reaches the winning line will win a prize.

**The Challenge starts 2<sup>nd</sup> March and will run for the whole half term.**

Every coin will make a difference and could make your class the winners!!

So, look down the back of the sofa, raid your money box, save your change and help your class fill the bottle. You could even do some chores at home to earn some extra coins!



Thank you for supporting the Coppice PTA, raising funds for the quad development.



## Do you Dare to be different?

Every person at Coppice is different from each other, we all have different names, we look different, wear different clothes, live in different houses, have different members of our families, have different beliefs and even have different opinions.

Even this year is different, 2020 dares to have 366 days!!!

We dare you to be different on 28<sup>th</sup> February.

- We dare you to wear your PJ's to school.
- **We dare you to have crazy hair at school.**
- WE DARE YOU TO WEAR ODD SOCKS.
- WE DARE YOU TO WEAR OUTRAGEOUS AND BRIGHT COLOURS TO SCHOOL.
- We dare the teachers to wear crazy clothes for the day.
- We dare you to not wear uniform to school and come in your own clothes.
- We dare you to eat something new for lunch.
- **WE DARE YOU TO WEAR DIFFERENT SHOES TO SCHOOL.**
- We dare you to read a new book.

For every dare you accept we ask for a donation of 50p.

## LET'S CELEBRATE OUR DIFFERENCES!!!

All monies raised will be used to make a difference within our school by developing the quad area.

I LOVE YOU

Coppice Primary School PTA invite you to join them for their popular 'I Love You' event

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March  
Infant Hall  
3.30pm – 5.00pm

Children can bring someone they love for cake and a cuppa, make a card and then choose and wrap a special present

Tickets £3.50 per child to include drink, cake and present available from [www.pta-events.co.uk/coppice](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/coppice)



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