

The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Head Teacher's News

SEND Support in School

Clare Ineson was our Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator (SENDCo) in school, and I know many parents and children benefitted from her support. With the sad loss of Clare we do not really want to rush in and advertise for her replacement (a new SENDCo will be appointed next year).

However, we know that we have a duty of care to ensure good SEND provision for the associated children in school, so we have put something in place to tide us over, establishing some interim provision.

Mrs Woodyatt will be the first port of call in school during this interim time regarding SEND provision. Mrs Woodyatt has a wealth of experience supporting SEND in school, and has been our Deputy SENDCo for some years now. So hopefully this will help with continuity and consistency.

Supporting Mrs Woodyatt, and ensuring the quality of provision, Hollywood Primary School have two SENDCos, and spare capacity, so they will be in school every week supporting Mrs Woodyatt until we eventually replace Clare.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr Dix at Hollywood Primary for his kind support.

Star of the week

RA- Jessica C
RD- Amy G
1K- Ofelia W
1SK- Evie O'M
1F- Esme W
2A- Annabelle R
2R- Poppy Y
2LP- Demi W
3M- Penny P
3A- Florence D
3C- Rory U
4W- Lily S
4AP- Kacey W
5H- Cameron C
5OJ- Ethan A
6G- Stephen D

Team Points

Week ending 6th Jan
1st- 196 Hawks
2nd -67 Owls
3rd - 54 Eagles
4th - 25 Falcons

Our fantastic athletes

Last Friday afternoon two teams of Coppice athletes competed at Arrow Vale School in a girls only indoor athletics tournament. Emma D, Amie G, Rebekah L, Maddy S, Emily C, Gabby C, Holly F and Ruby D-H from Year 6 and Tilly M, Ashleigh D, April S, Sophie F, Sophia T and Danni A from Year 5 competed in running and field events (relay races, long jump, high jump, triple jump, javelin and lots more). They managed to win five of the events which secured them second place and they came back to school proudly showing off their silver medals.

Well done to all the girls who represented the school- we are very proud of your achievement.

Next week it is the turn of the boys' team, good luck and we look forward to hearing how you did.



PTA news

Charity quiz night @ Monsoon Wednesday 1st February 7:30 all in aid of the Coppice School PTA Charity. £15 includes quiz, meal and a good night out all for a great cause. Get tickets direct from Monsoon or online now at www.pta-events.co.uk/coppice

Next week at The Coppice

Does anyone have any children's musical percussion instruments e.g. tambourines, bells, triangles, mini drums they no longer want as Mrs Tomkinson is collecting for our outside area . Also any unwanted wallpaper is great for drawing activities.

Missing

Have you got an extra shoe at home that doesn't belong to your son? A black, "Clarks" school shoe, size 13 ½ or 1 went missing after football on Monday. It probably has the initials LW in it. If found please return to the school office. Thank you.

School budget- challenging times

Since the start of the recession the government has sought to protect spending on education, though, in reality, there have been reductions in school budgets, and these continue to affect us. This has been particularly the case at The Coppice with our lagged funding.

Accordingly, we are grateful for parents supporting with payments for school trips and transport to places like the swimming pool, otherwise some of these things simply could not happen. The projections for future school budget are even more worrying. To get a better idea of the challenges we face, visit [http:// www.schoolcuts.org.uk](http://www.schoolcuts.org.uk) and type in our postcode (B47 5JN) to find out what the future holds for The Coppice school budget.

We are looking for ways to maintain the quality of our provision in an economically more challenging world. We are grateful to the work of our PTA (and your support of them) who continue to raise funds which are used to buy additional things which we might not otherwise be able to afford, which is clearly going to become even more important in the future.

We are working very hard to consider ways in which we might raise additional funds and manage our decreasing budget to maintain the high standards we set for our school.

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.