# **The Coppice Primary School Newsletter**

### Newsletter Number



Well Prepared for Life

### Star of the week

RA- Abigail C

RT- Spencer H & Ava B

RD- Eliza F

1P- Lily S

1T- Sam R & Evie H

1H-Everyone!

2CA- Beau L

2A- Ben L

2K-Briley Z

3M-Sam O'B

3P- Naomi H

3C-Harrison N-S

4AW- Kaci E

4VW- Everyone!

4B-Grace G

5H- Alex R

5J- Alivia L

6G-Tom S

## **Assembly theme**

The theme for next week will be: "Fairness"

### **Team Points**

Week ending 11.1.18 1<sup>st</sup>- 174 Falcons

2<sup>nd</sup>- 166 Hawks

3<sup>rd</sup>- 154 Eagles

4th- 149 Owls

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### **Head Teacher's News**

Date: 19th January 2018

### Lateness

We are grateful that the vast majority of our parents do get their children to school on time, with very rare exceptions. However, to be clear about things I set out the below.

Lessons and learning at The Coppice begin immediately, at the very start of the school day (at 8.45 am) with our Early Bird activities. It is important that children do not miss this key learning, and are dropped off before 8.45 am.

When children arrive late:

- They may feel awkward arriving to the classroom when everyone else is settled.
- They miss out on essential instructions given at the beginning of the lesson. This can significantly reduce achievement, regardless of academic ability.
- It disrupts the entire class and the teacher everyone's education is compromised.

Further, lateness may result in parents being served with a Penalty Notice or a summons to court. Parents have a duty to ensure their child's regular and prompt attendance at school and failure to do so is an offence under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996.

Please bear in mind:

5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost each year

10 minutes adds up to 6 days lost each year

15 minutes adds up to 10 days lost each year

20 minutes adds up to 13 days lost each year

30 minutes adds up to 19 days lost each year

From here on Mr Hutt and Mr Heptinstall will be monitoring lateness very closely. Accordingly, if your child is persistently late then you will be challenged about this.

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

Weekly % attendance w/b 8.1.18					
RD	96.7	RT	96.7	RA	96.6
1H	99.3	1T	97.7	1P	97.3
2K	99.3	2CA	94.0	2A	94.8
3C	100	3M	96.7	3P	94.0
4VW	96.8	4B	97.7	4AW	95.8
5H	91.0	5J	94.2	Whole	
6L	96.0	6G	98.7	School	
				96.6%	

Congratulations to 1H & 2K and 3C for having the highest attendance in KS1 and KS2 respectively.

Punctuality Award: KS1: 1H KS2: 4B

## This week at The Coppice

Congratulations to the children who won prizes in our Christmas word search competition. They were: Ben M in 6L, Kealan M 4VW, Jack M 2K, Amber J 1K, Daniel M 1K and Ben W 1K.

**Year 3** children have visited Sarehole Mill to learn all about the Stone Age. They built shelters, made paint brushes out of sticks and feathers for cave painting, they also created their own cave art using charcoal and visited a Bronze Age settlement in the woods.

## **Next week at The Coppice**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January- 4B Stepping Out pedestrian training.

Thursday 25th January 3.15- Y5 Stratford Residential trip meeting.

Friday 26th January- Y4 Assessment for Stepping Out training.

Friday 26th January- Y5 & Y6 Boys Sports hall athletics at Arrowvale School (selected pupils).

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm**- 2A class assembly. Doors will open about 1.45/1.50pm. Please note that there is NO onsite parking except for Blue Disabled Badge holders.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January- Young Voices concert at the Genting Arena for Choir members.

### Other news

Our apologies for the emailing problems we had last week with the newsletter. We had SPAM issues which have proved tricky to resolve. Hopefully everything is sorted now. Don't forget to sign up to receive the newsletter via email through our website if you would like to have it delivered straight to your phone, tablet or PC.

For the first time, Reception children will be joined by their buddies when they go on their trip to Birmingham Airport. RT and their buddies will go on 29<sup>th</sup> January, RA and their buddies on the 1<sup>st</sup> February and RD and their buddies will go on 7<sup>th</sup> February. Reception and their buddies meet up weekly for "Buddy Playtime", fortnightly for "Buddy Reading" and termly they go to Forest School together. So everyone is looking forward to having a special day out.

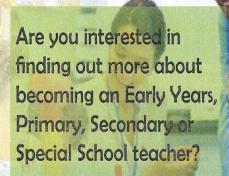
Some of our Y5 and Y6 girls took part in a Sports Hall Athletics Tournament at Arrowvale School last Friday and were placed 5<sup>th</sup> out of 10 schools from the region. Well done girls! Year 5 & Y6 boys will take part in a similar competition next Friday. Good luck!

**Vacancy for Grade 2 Teaching Assistant (KS2)**-We are currently recruiting for a G2 TA to start 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018 or sooner (23 hours per week, 5 mornings & 3 afternoons). If you are interested in applying, please pick up an application pack from the office. Closing date Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January.

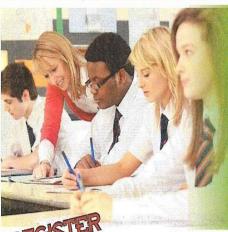
**Shawhurst Lane** – You may have heard that Severn Trent were planning to close the road on 28<sup>th</sup> January for a few days but having spoken to the Parish Council we believe that the works have been cancelled and we do not foresee any problems.

**Train to teach**-Did you know you can train to teach at your local school? The Association of Central Teaching Schools work in conjunction with Woodrush Teaching School Alliance to train teachers. If you would like to find out more there is a free event coming up at Joseph Chamberlain College. See the flyer below.





Joseph Chamberlain College, Belgrave Road, Highgate, Birmingham B12 9FF
Wednesday, 24th January 2018, 5.15 pm – 8.00 pm
(Free parking available, access via Arter Street and Sherbourne Road East, B12 9DJ)



- Find out what it is like to teach in Birmingham Schools
- Talk to a wide range of school based teacher training providers – SCITTs and School Direct
- Meet teachers and current trainees
- Individual advice clinic

Drop in to our Train to Teach workshops:

- Getting the most out of school experience
- The application process
- Preparing for your interview
- TAs becoming teachers

### Register on Eventbrite at http://bit.ly/TrainToTeachBrum2018

This event is organised through the Association of Central Teaching Schools (ACTS). More details at www.acts.education, including list of providers attending the event.

Join the convertation @AofCTS #TtoTBrum enquiry4acts@gmail.com









## 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.

