

The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Team Points

The team points are in and have been counted and we can reveal our winners.In reverse order.....

4th Eagles

3rd Falcons

2nd Owls

1st Hawks

Over 28,000 team points were awarded this year for many reasons, including great work, lovely manners, showing good behaviour and for helpfulness. Every child contributes to their team total throughout the year. Well done everyone!

Our choir performed at Young Voices in front of a huge audience at the Genting Arena. Our Year 5 & 6 Drama Club performed "Porridge". Every child performed in their class assembly and at our various Christmas productions. We had a talent competition for Children in Need, where the children showed us just how talented they are.

We continue to be proud of all of our children's academic, sporting, musical, artistic and individual achievements.



All that remains is to wish all of our families a happy and relaxing break and we will see you all back at school on Wednesday 4th September.

Head Teacher's News

Another good year

Year on year, I never fail to be impressed by the standards that our children achieve and the hard work and dedication of our staff in support of this (as well as from parents at home).

From an academic viewpoint, we have had a terrific year, once again. Being above, or well above, the national averages in terms of pupils meeting the expected standard in reading, writing and maths in KS1 and KS2 SATs as well as the National Phonics Screening in Year 1. We will be publishing the statistics on our website for the Autumn term, if you are interested in the actual details.

Regarding attendance, we are delighted that this year we reached 96.4% attendance (Years 1-6) and 96.3% (Reception to Year 6). Last year we achieved 96% and the year before 96.2% so we would like to thank you for your support in our bid to keep our figures as high as possible.

Our footballers, gymnasts, netball players, golfers, archers and athletes excelled themselves in local competitions. For the fourth year running Coppice children won Wythall Fun Run for us (headed by Finlay F in Y4). This year has been our most successful and we have returned from almost every competition with a trophy or medals. Our trophy cabinet is bursting (see below). For this we must thank our staff who have worked tirelessly to train and support these children. Ms Carter, Mrs Small, Mr Edwards, Mrs Rowles, Miss Wells and Mr Laight

Our scientists have represented the school at events at Birmingham University and Sophia T won our Year 6 Scientist of the year award.

We have raised thousands of pounds for our school at our many PTA events (see poster below). This year's Revel was our most successful ever taking over £4,000. We have also raised money for Red Nose Day, The British Legion (poppy selling), and who could forget our visit from the real Pudsey Bear during our Children in Need fundraising day?! We donated food to Birmingham Mission and Sparkhill food bank at our Harvest Festival. Abbey in Year 3 had her beautiful long hair cut to make wigs for children who lose their hair. Our recent Readathon raised over £1,400 –thank you!

Thank you all for your support of the school and our designated charities. We are proud of having such compassionate parents and children at The Coppice.

Over the Summer

Maths for Parents and Children - Mrs Johnson, parent of two of our children and a seasoned primary maths teacher, has published free resources online to help parents who are interested in supporting their children with maths (as well as helping with their own understanding). Please see links below.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mrs Johnson for drawing our attention to these. Something for parents to try out over the Summer with their children, perhaps?

<https://www.youtube.com/maths4kids>

<https://matr.org/blog/concrete-resources-cpa-explained-parents>

<https://matr.org/blog/fun-maths-games-activities-for-kids/>

St Mary's Church invites you to Sunday services at 10.30am over the Summer. On 21st July we have two hand-reared lambs coming to church; activities on other Sundays include making bread, a treasure hunt, craft activities etc. This all takes place within our service which includes songs and prayers and explores the things Jesus said about himself, such as 'I am the Good Shepherd', 'I am the Bread of Life'. What was he saying and what difference does it make to us today? Everyone welcome 10.30 - 11.30am each Sunday.

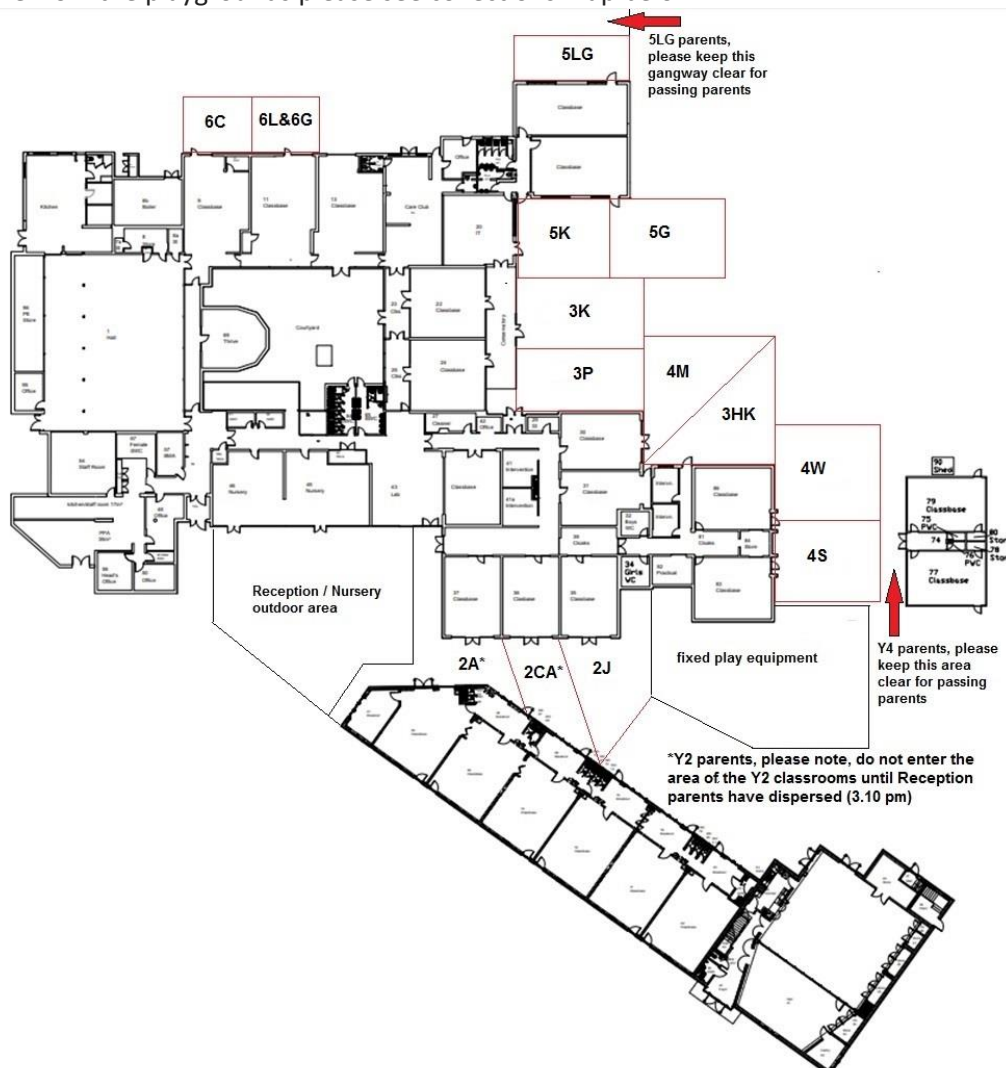
Back to school info

Uniform - Don't forget that children can wear either standard or Summer uniform on their return in September. After October half term all children should be in standard uniform only. See our website for details

<https://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/parents/uniform/>

Arrival at school- all gates open at 8.25am and close promptly at 8.45am. Years 2-6 enter through the main gate nearest the bungalow. Reception enter through the Reception gate and Year 1 through the large gates adjacent to St Mary's/the astro turf.

Collections from school are from the playgrounds please see collections map below.



Barrier - Please remember **NO parent parking on site**. We would like to remind you that parents without blue disabled badges are not able to park on site. Please do not attempt to come on site if you do not hold proof of

disability. This applies to parents dropping off and collecting from Care Club and Nursery as well. Please do not tailgate those with a genuine need for a parking space.

You should also never attempt to enter the car park the wrong way, i.e. through the out barrier if for any reason it remains up. This is VERY dangerous both for vehicles and for pedestrians. Many of our children access the school grounds via the gates to the Hub and, on several occasions, parents entering the wrong way have had a near miss with either a parent, child or oncoming car.

Parent Pay - Parent Pay will be closed down for this school year after school on Friday 19th July. It will be reopened for meal bookings and payments on 2nd September.

Parents of children in 2K going into 3P- swimming lessons will begin on 12th September. You will be able to pay on Parent Pay when Parent Pay reopens on 2nd September.

Parents of Year 2 going into Year 3 – Lapworth Museum trip- You will be able to pay on Parent Pay when Parent Pay reopens on 2nd September.

Parents of Year 3 going into Year 4- Upton Warren balance- You will be able to pay on Parent Pay when Parent Pay reopens on 2nd September.

Parent of Year 5 going into Year 6- Tudor World trip- You will be able to pay on Parent Pay when Parent Pay reopens on 2nd September.

New contact numbers and addresses - If you move house or change your phone number over the holidays please let us know. Also if one of your emergency contacts changes their number, you must inform us so that we have a full range of contacts, should the need arise. To notify us during the school holidays, please email office@coppice.worcs.sch.uk and tell us the child's name, new class, the new number and which contact it applies to.

Staff - Miss Aston and Miss Wilcox will be getting married over the summer break and will return as Mrs Walker (1W) and Mrs Giles (5G) respectively.

School term dates and TED days for the academic year 2019/2020.

Holiday	School closes on (all usual school finishing time)	School re-opens on
Autumn term 2019	Not applicable	Wednesday 4th September 2019 (TED days 2 nd & 3 rd September)
Autumn half term	Friday 25 th October 2019	Monday 4 th November 2019
Christmas	Friday 20 th December 2019	Tuesday 7 th January 2020 (TED day 6 th January 2020)
Spring half term	Friday 14 th February 2020	Monday 24 th February 2020
Easter	Friday 3 rd April 2020	Monday 20 th April 2020
Summer half term	Friday 22 nd May 2020	Monday 1 st June 2020
Summer term ends	Friday 17 ^h July 2020	Not available yet.

Other closure days:

Friday 8th May - May Day Bank holiday, Monday 22nd June –Provisional TED day, Summer Term TED day – Monday 20th July.

School clubs

Look out next year for letters about after school clubs. When all the teachers have submitted their club information we will compile a timetable and display it on the website.

David Morris's sports clubs - Letters for all the clubs below will be handed out in the first week of term and start dates are as follows.

Football and Netball start Monday 9th September.

Athletics starts Friday 13th September.

Y1 Coppice Kickers starts Tuesday 17th September.

Reception Coppice Kickers starts Tuesday 1st October.

Stelissa Fitness will be holding an after-school Fitness Club on Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm. This will be offered to Years 4, 5 and 6, subject to demand and places will be limited. Look out for the forms in early September. See last week's newsletter for more details.

Mrs Ward's guitar lessons –private lessons will begin on 11th September – don't forget your guitar!

Messages from the teachers

RD: Well done RD! You have worked hard all year and made Mrs Bird and I very proud :) We will miss you.

RT: We have loved teaching you this year and are so proud of the progress each and every one of you has made. We will miss you lots! Well done and good luck in Year 1. Mrs Tomkinson and Miss Gough

RB: What an amazing year we have had! It has been so wonderful to see you grow in confidence. Enjoy a well-deserved Summer break and good luck in Year 1.

1A: Thank you for two fantastic years! I am so proud of each and every one of you and know you will continue to be brilliant in Year Two. Have a wonderful Summer :). I will miss you all! Miss Aston x

1H: Thank you all for being so ready and eager to learn. I have really enjoyed being your Year One teacher and I will miss you all. You have made Mrs Gill, Miss Summerhayes and Miss Openshaw and I really proud. Have a wonderful Summer- stay safe, have fun and enjoy!! From Miss Harris x

1J: It has been a pleasure teaching you all this year! Well done for all your hard work, and thank you for all the memories we have made! I hope you have a great Summer, you deserve it! I cannot wait to continue our learning journey together in Year Two! See you after the Summer! :)

2A: What a fantastic year it's been! Thank you for being such a great class, I have loved teaching you! You've worked so hard and I'm so proud of you all. I'll look forward to seeing you in the hall at lunch time, make sure you let Mrs Palmer and I know how you're getting on in Year 3. I'll miss you! Love from Miss Allen :)

2K: Thank you for a wonderful year. You have all worked so hard and achieved so much. Ms Croft and I are so very proud of you all. We will miss you so much so please make sure you come and let us know how you are getting on in the Juniors. Have a lovely Summer holiday and see you in September. Miss Keight :)

2CA: You've all been amazing this year. I've loved being your teacher and will really miss you all! Wishing you lots of luck as you move to the Juniors, keep working hard in Year Three! Love Mrs Ashforth x

3M: Well done this Year 3M - I can't wait to see you after your Summer for another amazing year in 4M.

3C: You have all been amazing and this year has been so special with you all! Good luck in Year 4, I know you will all be super stars!

3P: I have had a fantastic year teaching you. I hope you all have a fantastic Summer break, you deserve it after all your hard work this year! Good luck in Year 4 and don't forget to say hello to me when you're passing. Miss Pugh x

4AW: Good luck next year. You have all achieved some brilliant things in Year 4! I will miss you all! Miss Wells :)

4B: A huge well done to 4B for an amazing year of achievements and thank you for making this year at the Coppice so special! Keep watching Michael Rosen!

4VW: What a year we've had! We've learnt lots and had fun along the way too. I'm very lucky to be your teacher again in Year 5. Have a wonderful Summer holiday and I look forward to seeing you all eager to learn in September!

5J: What a wonderful bunch of children you ALL are, best class I've ever had the pleasure to teach. Have a brilliant Summer holiday, love Ms J.

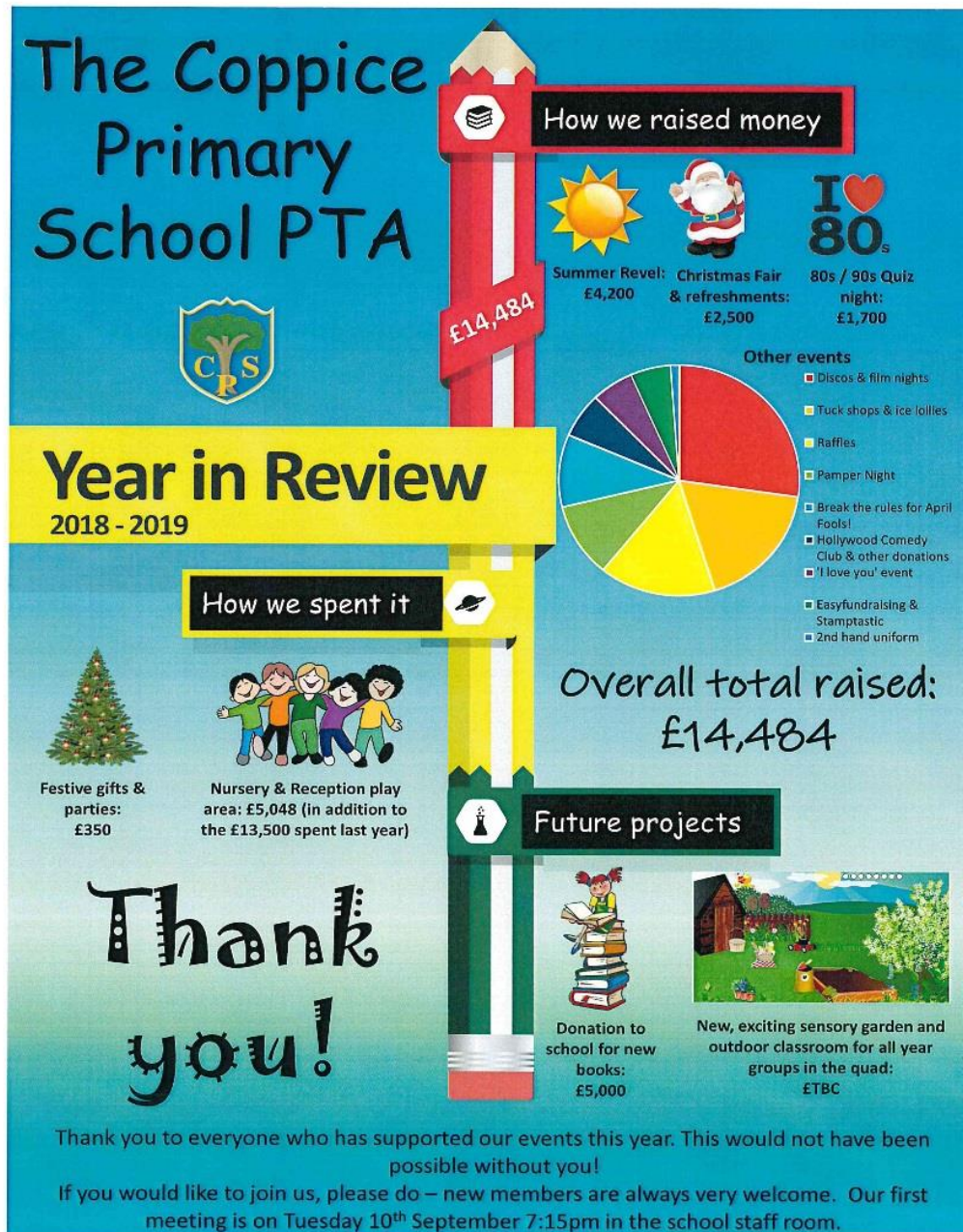
5L: Good luck in Year 6 with Mr Laight. Remember to work hard, stay focused and enjoy yourselves. Enjoy the Summer holidays. Mrs Lovett :)

5AD: Miss Ellithorn and I are very grateful to have taught such a vibrant and colourful class. Never a dull moment. A class I will never forget - Mr A.D

Year 6 – We've written you a real goodbye in your memory books, but in summary we hope that you reflect on Year 6 fondly and that you feel proud of all that you've achieved during your time at Coppice (especially Year 6). These achievements should fill you with confidence ahead of your new adventure in secondary school. Goodbye and good luck! Mr Laight and Miss Gatfield

Message from the Year 6 leavers committee

The Year 6's primary school years have come to an end. They will celebrate their amazing years at the Coppice with their families and school staff at a big party held in Birmingham. This would not have been possible without help of school, our local Community and local businesses for supporting and joining us at our different fundraising events over this past year. We have sold cakes, held a raffle, held a great car washing event and also an amazing Monsoon Bingo Night, which was a huge sell out. The children have been very proud to be part of all the events, so a great big thank you for everyone's support. The community spirit has been wonderful and we would have not managed to pull this off without the great organisational skills of some of our parents. Special thanks to Lisa Brown, Stefanie Jones, Kimielle Keefe and Steve Crosthwaite. We look forward to celebrating tonight.



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/>

Official Facebook page- <https://www.facebook.com/coppiceps/>