

The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Head Teacher's News

End of another great 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).

Team points grand total

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

.....In reverse order.....

4th Hawks

3rd Eagles

2nd Falcons

1st Owls

This year over 34,250 team points were awarded this year for great work, lovely mD winners, showing good behaviour and for helpfulness. Every child contributes to their team total throughout the year. Well done everyone!

We have, pretty much, excelled across the board, achieving results higher than national averages (by a considerable margin in most cases). I summarise these results, for this academic year, below. These figures are all the more impressive when you consider that Ofsted consider us as an average school from a sociodemographic perspective.

Year 1 National Phonics Screening outcome:

Coppice 90% / National 83%

Year 2 National Phonics Re-Check:

100% (of 10 children) / National 62%

KS1 SATs (% at Age Related Expectation):

Reading = Coppice 78% / National 75%

Writing = Coppice 74% / National 70%

Maths = Coppice 80% / National 76%

Science = Coppice 87% / National 83%

KS2 SATs (% at Age Related Expectation):

Reading = Coppice 95% / National 75%

SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) = Coppice 87% / National 78%

Maths = Coppice 90% / National 76%

Writing = Coppice 84% / National 78%

Science = Coppice 98% (No national figure available).

Our achievements have not just been academic though:

Our footballers, gymnasts, netball players, golfers, archers and athletes excelled themselves in local competitions. For the third year running Coppice children won Wythall Fun Run for us (headed by Finlay F in Y4).

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

We have raised thousands of pounds for our school at our many PTA events and have raised money for Red Nose Day, the NSPCC, The British Legion (Poppy selling), for SSAFA on our Armed Forces Day 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. Chloe and Katie had their long hair cut off for The Princess Trust and Dhruv completed a 5k mud run in aid of "Matt's Mission". 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.

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

We also witnessed everyone's determination and resilience in the snowy conditions. Thank you for your support. We continue to be proud of all 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 5th September.

This week at The Coppice

Year 4 held a VE Day party to round off their World War 2 topic.

We held an outdoor, whole school assembly in association with St Mary's Church. The children sang, took part in a play about Jonah and the Whale and some children helped with some drumming. We took the opportunity to say goodbye to the (none Year 6) children who are leaving to go to new schools in September. We rarely get a chance to get all the KS1 and KS2 children together, so it was a very special occasion.

Quad athletics finals

On Friday 6th July, 21 Athletes travelled to Abbey Stadium for the finals of the district athletics competition.

This is the largest number of athletes that Coppice have taken to the finals following the semi-final qualification event.

It's worthy of note that the majority of schools competing were middle schools from Redditch with dedicated PE departments.

There were some fantastic performances and, including the relay medals, Coppice came away with 12 Gold, 3 Silver and 1 Bronze.

Medal winners were:

Sophie F - Silver Year 6 Long Jump

Sean H - Bronze Year 5 High Jump

Miles F - Gold Year 5 Long Jump

Kian M - Silver Year 5 150m

Joe M - Gold Year 6 80m

Doug H - Silver Year 6 150m

Dylan P - Gold Year 5 600m

Mya H - Gold Year 5 80m

Miles F, Kian M, Jack S, Dylan P - Gold Year 5 Relay

Ethan A, Joe M, Anthony H, Doug H - Gold Year 6 Relay

We were a very close 4th in the Year 5 Girls Relay, and Lily S was just shaded into 4th in the Year 5 600m.

Also Katie E was 4th in the Year 5 Long Jump, a fantastic effort bearing in mind we have only just started practicing long jump in PE.

I was excited to see us doing well in the high jump. I am so grateful to the school for purchasing our high jump equipment. It's the first year we have been able to practice and enter pupils in the event.

I am very proud of all of our athletes and we will all be working hard to make sure we improve our times and distances for next year! Good luck to the Year 6 Athletes moving to senior schools, and I am looking forward to working with the new Year 5 pupils in September.

Mr Edwards

Spelling Bee success

The following children attained 100% in their Autumn, Spring and Summer Spelling Bees!

Year 1 - Amber K (1T), Amber J (1T), Dylan B (1T) Carter W (1T) , Gabe S (1T), Amelia P (1P), Erin F (1P)

Year 2 - Megan G (1H), Harvey E (1H), Marina R (1H), Ben W (1H), Aaron P (1H), Jacob P (2K), Cara P (2K)
Dhruv P (2K), Holly (2A), Alfie B (2CA)

Year 3 -Nancy H (3M), Nathan W (3M), James S (3C), Zaid Y (3C)

Year 4 -Marley B (4B), Leila W (4B), Penny P (4VW), Archie G (4VW)

A big well done to these children!!

Attendance and Punctuality

% attendance 1.9.17-13.7.18					
RD	95.0	RT	94.4	RA	95.2
1H	96.3	1T	95.6	1P	96.4
2K	97.2	2CA	94.4	2A	94.0
3C	97.3	3M	97.1	3P	95.8
4VW	95.7	4B	97.2	4AW	94.9
5H	93.8	5J	96.4	Whole School 95.7%	
6L	94.1	6G	96.9		

Highest Weekly Attendance w/b 9.7.18

Congratulations to RA and 6G for having the highest attendance in KS1 and KS2 respectively.

Punctuality Award: KS1: 1H KS2: 6G

Year 6 Leavers

The Year 6 leavers' party is tonight and thankfully the forecast is for sunshine. (7pm Infant hall -ticket holders only)

All of the Year 6 children and their families have worked really hard this year raising money, with a quiz night at Monsoon, a sponsored litter pick and various cake stalls. We have raised over £2000. We wanted to say a really big thank you to everyone who has donated their time and money over the past few months. Special thank yous go to Hollywood Fish Bar for donating the hot food, Nick Fellows for the leaver's banner and Phil Upton, Di Hunt, Liz Benson and Gabby Daymond for baking cakes for the big night. Finally a big thank you to the Coppice office staff for helping out collecting replies and money for us.

Messages from the teachers

RA: Thank you for an amazing year! I am excited to join you on your journey into Year 1.

RT: Good luck for year 1. You have all been amazing and thank you to the whole class who have all tried their very best all year- I am very proud of you all!

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

1T: What a fantastic class you have been. You have all worked so hard. Keep up the hard work in Year Two. You will all be missed a lot.

1P: It's been wonderful spending two terms with you 1P. You have been a pleasure to teach! Good luck in Year 2, Mrs Perry

1H: Thank you all for being so happy and eager to learn. You are always so ready to learn with smiles on your faces! I have enjoyed being your Year One teacher and I will miss you all. You have been a delightful first class, I hope to see you all on the playground in September. Remember slow and steady wins the race. Also a big 'Thank You' to all of the parents for all your continued support during the year. Have a lovely summer- stay safe, have fun and enjoy!!
From Miss Harris.

2K: Thank you for two fantastic years! You have all amazed me and I hope that you continue to grow and achieve all of your goals. Mr McGarry is lucky to have such a lovely class. Make sure you come and find Ms Croft and I at lunch time to let us know how you're all getting on in Year 3. We will miss you and wish you all the best. Miss Keight :)

2CA: You've been an amazing class this year! Enjoy a wonderful summer holiday because you all deserve it, love Mrs Ashforth x

2A: I have loved teaching 2A, you are amazing and I'll miss you all! Good luck next year!

3M: Good luck next year! Well done - you are all superstars! Mr McGarry :)

3P: You are all superstars and I will miss you all so much! Miss Pugh

3C: I'm going to miss you all so much. Good luck in year 4!!

4AW: Thank you 4AW for all your hard work! I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching you! Good Luck in Year 5!

4VW: You've been my first class at this school. Thank you for making it such an enjoyable year. I will miss teaching you. See you around next year! Miss Willcox.

4B: Thank you 4B for a wonderful year, full of laughs and fun. I'll miss you all - good luck!

5H: Thank you for a wonderful year. Enjoy your Summer and good luck in Year Six.

5J: Have a wonderful summer, you are all superstars, I know you will have a fabulous year with Mr Laight.

6G: Good luck at your secondary schools, I know you will be great! You will be missed at the Coppice. You have been a fantastic year group and should all be very proud of the amount you have all achieved.

6L: I've written you a real goodbye in your memory books, but in summary I 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!

2018/2019 academic year.

Next year's term dates.

Holiday	School closes on (all usual school finishing time)	School re-opens on
Autumn term 2018	Not applicable	Wednesday 5th September 2018 (TED days 3 rd & 4 th September)
Autumn half term	Friday 26 th October 2018	Monday 5 th November 2018
Christmas	Friday 21 st December 2018	Tuesday 8 th January 2019 (TED day Monday 7 th January 2019)
Spring half term	Friday 15 th February 2019	Monday 25 th February 2019
Easter	Friday 12 th April 2019	Monday 29 th April 2019
Summer half term	Friday 24 th May 2019	Monday 3 rd June 2019
Summer term ends	Friday 19 th July 2019	Not yet available

Other closure days:

Monday 6th May - May Day Bank holiday

Monday 24th June 2019 –TED day

Summer Term TED day – Monday 22nd July.

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. Also we would like to confirm that KS1 and KS2 girls CAN wear pinafore dresses.

Arrival and departures - all gates open at 8.25 am. Years 2-6 enter through the main gate nearest the Site Manager's bungalow, Reception enter through the Reception gate and Year 1 through the large gates adjacent to St Mary's/Infant Hall. Collections are from the playgrounds. Years 3-6 in KS2 playground at 3.15pm (enter through gates near the bungalow), Year 2 (3.10pm) from the KS1 playground between the church and the field (enter through Year 1 gates). Year 1 (3.10pm) and Reception (3pm) from the classroom doors, please enter from large gates by Infant Hall/ Church.

Barrier.

There will be NO parent parking on site in September. Following our letter recently we would like to remind you that parents without disabled blue badges will be challenged by Coppice and Woodrush staff who will be manning the barrier. 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.

Parent Pay.

Parent Pay will be closed down for this school year after school on Friday 20th July. It will hopefully be reopened for meal bookings and payments on 3rd September.

Parents of children in current 2K who will be going into 3M swimming next year, please note that you won't be able to pay until Parent Pay reopens.

Parents of all Year 2 Children going into Year 3, please note that you will be unable to pay for your trip in September until Parent Pay reopens.

Parents of current Year 3 going into Year 4 wanting to pay for Upton Warren – your balances will be transferred over to the new school year and you can continue to pay in instalments when Parent Pay reopens.

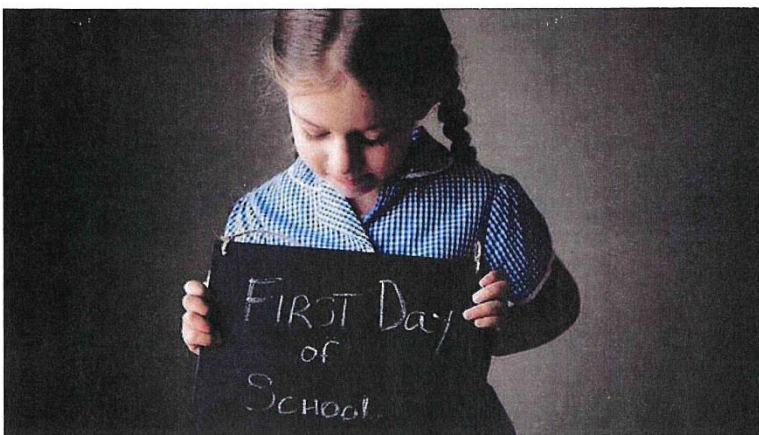
New contact numbers and addresses.

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 text in on the general text number (07624 881327) and tell us the child's name, new class, the new number and which contact it applies to.

BE WARNED.....New Zebra crossing

We have just had confirmation that a zebra crossing should be installed outside school in August. However, please be warned that the likelihood is, that with having the crossing, we will lose our crossing patrol warden aka Mrs Willmin our much loved lollipop lady.

For the attention of parents of all children new to the school in September.



Drop Off, Drop In!

Your little one's first week at school can be an emotional one - for them, and for you. So come and celebrate or commiserate with us! Drop in for:

Free tea, coffee and cakes!

Relax | Meet other parents | Eat cake

**Wednesday 5th September
8:30am & 12:30pm**

Find us in the new hall and St Mary's Church:
please come to the church entrance.



A joint event between St Mary's Church and Coppice Primary PTA



Community events

Summer at St Mary's

Through the summer, from 22nd July to 26th August, St Mary's Church are having family-friendly services on Sundays at 10:30am, with activities for all ages (children & adults). All are very welcome to join us!

The Alpha Course

The Alpha Course is a 10 week course giving the opportunity to explore the Christian faith, run in many churches in the UK and overseas. St Mary's are running Alpha next term, starting with a taster session on Wednesday 5th September at 7.30pm. If you'd like to find out more or to register for the taster session email alpha@wythallchurch.net or phone us on 01564 823248 (church office) or 0121 242 0846 (Jude, alpha course leader).

Create Space Kids is back at St Mary's this Saturday for 7-16 year olds!

Enjoy being creative? St Mary's invites 7-16 year olds to our next Create Space Kids! It's on Saturday 21st July 10:30am-12noon in St Mary's Church (enter from the car park). We ask for a £3 contribution to cover costs of materials. Let your friends know, and bring them along!

Were you flooded?

Worcestershire County Council and Bromsgrove District Council are supporting you through the National Flood Forum.

The National Flood Forum will be holding an "INSURANCE SURGERY" for those recently flooded

ON: THURSDAY 16TH AUGUST

AT: WYTHALL VILLAGE HALL

FROM: 1PM till 7PM

For more information you can contact The National Flood Forum on 01299 403055

The National Flood Forum is an Independent Charity that supports and represents those at risk of flooding.

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/>