

The Coppice Primary School Newsletter

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Well Prepared for Life

Star of the week

RB- Marnie R-M
RT- Jessie-Lee R
RD- Zayyan M
1A- Fred the frog!
1H- Emelia S
1J- Max W
2CA- Isla B
2A- Ava J
2K- Erin M
3M- Nethish S
3P- Esme
3C- Ryan K
4AW- Harrison N-S
4VW- Nolan B
4B- Everyone for making Miss Brown very proud at their assembly
5AD- Miss Ellithorn!
5L- Maizie B
6L- Harry S & Kian M
6G- Logan S

Assembly theme

The theme for next week will be: "Honesty".

Team Points

Week ending 21.06.19
First- Owls - 223
Second- Hawks - 161
Third- Falcons -128
Fourth – Eagles - 99

Head Teacher's News

Children's Welfare

As a parent myself, I'm aware that children's happiness and wellbeing is a parent's top priority.

There is a lot of concern nationally that there has been a significant decrease in children's mental wellbeing over recent years and we have witnessed this in school (hence implementing things like our Thrive programme). In addition, mental wellbeing in children is a Government priority.

A report was released on 24th April 2019, informed by considerable research by the University of Alberta, which suggests a strong correlation between children's 'screen time' and their mental health. Accordingly, the increase in issues we have seen around children's wellbeing seems to go hand in hand with these findings.

3,500 families participated in the study which found that children with more than two hours screen time a day were seven times more likely to have issues. Having said that, children with less than two hours screen time could be at risk too.

The World Health Organisation recommends three hours of physical activity per day for children. There is also a strong recommendation that children do not have any screen time (ideally, including TV) one hour before bedtime. Alongside increased mental health issues, a more common cause for concern is tiredness in children and when this has been investigated, the culprit has often turned out to be late sessions of screen time.

I appreciate that most parents sensibly limit screen time. Mrs Heptinstall and I strictly limit this to 30 minutes a day (much to our son's disgust).

Sports Days update

There seems to be some improvement in the weather (though, we're not counting our chickens - a few showers are still forecast).

We normally book our Sports Days in the diary weeks in advance and build everything else around them, so rescheduling is not always easy.

We like to give as much notice as we can regarding rescheduled days/times to allow working parents to make arrangements to be there. We are looking at the diary, but it's not easy with everything that's going on: EYFS staff are involved in home visits, Y6 are at Malvern, we have a TED Day coming up, some of our Y6 have transition days, some of our children are involved in the Bromsgrove Summer Games (during the school day), some children are involved in King Edward's Summer School, some of our Y5 & Y6 children are involved in sports events at the Abbey Stadium (all in school time), key staff are out at various times, Reception are out on a trip. . . And that's only over the next couple of weeks. With balancing this around the weather and the state of our field, it's not easy, especially with seven separate Sports' Days to reschedule, for the different year groups, within a very busy diary.

Attendance and Punctuality

% attendance 1.9.18-14.6.19					
RD	96.4	RT	95.2	RB	95.2
1H	95.3	1A	96.3	1J	97.0
2K	97.6	2CA	96.4	2A	97.1
3C	95.7	3M	96.6	3P	95.6
4VW	97.3	4B	96.1	4AW	97.5
5J	98.0	5AD	95.1	5L	96.2
6L	97.4	6G	94.9	Whole school 96.3%	

Highest Weekly Attendance w/b 10.6.19

Congratulations to 2K and 4VW for having the highest weekly attendance in KS1 and KS2 respectively – both with a fantastic 100%.

Punctuality Award: KS1: 1J KS2: 5L

This week at The Coppice

Year 2 have had a busy week with their Victorian afternoon on Tuesday and their trip to The Black Country Museum on Friday.

Next week at The Coppice

School is closed on Monday for a teacher training day. We will be back as normal on Tuesday 25th June.

Please note that on Wednesday 26th June there will be no school crossing patrol in the afternoon. Please take extra care when crossing the road and please use the zebra crossing provided.

Thank you

Many thanks to everyone who have bought unwanted children's books into school for our class libraries. We are grateful for all of your donations. There is still plenty of time to bring books in if you have them. Thank you in advance.

Wythall Fun Run

This Sunday is Wythall Fun Run at Wythall Park.

Last year The Coppice won the schools trophy at this event and it would be great if we could hang on to the cup for another year.

I will be there on Sunday, from about 11am, with a limited number of Coppice running vests. I'll be standing somewhere prominent. Please come and get a shirt and help represent The Coppice.

<https://wythall-hollywood-funrun.org.uk>

Mr Edwards

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/>

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