

# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter Friday 3rd October 2025

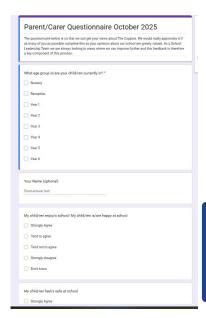
Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children.

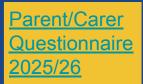
### Parent and Carer survey - very important!

As a School Leadership Team we are constantly evaluating our school and reflecting on the experience that we provide to you and your children here at The Coppice. We are therefore continually looking for areas where we can improve further and your feedback is an absolutely key component of this process.

So that we can get your views, opinions and suggestions, there is a link to a Parent and Carer survey below. We would therefore really appreciate it if as many of you as possible could complete this survey because your opinions about our school truly are valued and extremely useful to us in moving forward. The survey is a Google form and will look like this:



The link to the Parent and Carer survey is here (and it has also been sent out via the app):



We greatly look forward to receiving your responses in due course and to then analysing and reflecting on the feedback that is given. Please be assured that, as a school, we are committed to continuous improvement and making it the very best it can be for your children.

# Open Morning for prospective Nursery and Reception Parents:

The week after next we will start to host our Open Mornings for prospective Nursery and Reception children, for intake in September 2026.

As always, we are very much looking forward to these events because they give us (and me personally) a chance to show off our wonderful school and what we can offer here in terms of both our Nursery and Reception provision.

Lots of prospective Parents and Carers have already enquired about these events, which is great.

Details of the sessions are below. Should you wish to attend, please register via the Registration Form link below.

\*Please be aware that we can only accommodate adults at these sessions.\*



Link to Registration Form

## <u>Fun Run For Mizpah School in Zimbabwe - the money raised has made a difference!</u>

You may all remember back to last academic year when our School Council organised for all of our children to take part in a fun run named 'A mile for Mizpah' in order to raise money for The Mizpah School in Zimbabwe.

This idea came about following an assembly by Pastor Steve Crosthwaite of Hollywood Christian Life Centre and his Zimbabwean friend: Tapiwa who had come into school to tell our children about the hardship that many children in Zimbabwe experience and the fact that having the opportunity to go to school to learn is a huge challenge for many.

Because Tapiwa and her husband are so passionate about education, they set up a school to enable children to be able to attend school. At first, this school purely consisted of a run down barn with open sides. The children had no uniform or resources and there was very little money to pay a teacher to teach the children. This is why Steve and his church got involved and, through our links with him as an ex-Parent of The Coppice and our foodbank donations from our Harvest festival, we were able to get involved too. We therefore initially got involved by donating some spare Coppice uniform for the children of Mizpah to wear. When we saw the pictures of them in it, it was incredibly humbling.

Our children were so inspired to get involved and make a difference that the fun run idea came about. The aim initially was to raise £200.00 - £300.00. However, we ended up raising an incredible £1,200.00!

It was therefore wonderful on Monday this week when Tapiwa came in with Steve to thank us personally for the money and to let us know that with it, they have been able to install solar panels, which has brought electricity to the school! This will enable them to soon get a computer and link to the World Wide Web for the first time, which will be amazing for them. Who knows, maybe soon we will be able to have a live link for our children to meet which would be wonderful!

Tapiwa also presented me with some thank you letters from the Mizpah children and also a certificate of thanks that is now proudly displayed in the school reception area. It truly is a wonderful feeling to be able to make a difference to others and to reflect on how lucky our children are to come to school, to get an education and to have the facilities that we do.

Moving forward, we hope to again help the Mizpah children through a Christmas 'fill a shoebox' collection and more details about this will follow in due course.





#### Road Safety webinar session for Years 3-6:

With the darker evenings coming, it is a perfect time to remind your children about key road safety messages. Because of this, we signed up to a live webinar on Wednesday that all of our children in Years 3-6 watched. A range of road safety messages were delivered by Sian, who is a Police Traffic Officer. We know that the children really enjoyed the session and that it promoted a lot of discussion. Hopefully, some of the children have shared their learning at home so please reinforce key road safety messages with them whenever you get the opportunity to.



#### Reminder of 'Hello Yellow' for next Friday:



## **Celebration Time**

## Year 1 children complete Rainbow Run!

It was really lovely to be able to celebrate Emma, Maya and Freddie (all from 1LR) who completed a 2.5km 'Rainbow Run' last weekend in aid of Birmingham Adults' Hospice. As you can see, it was a colourful experience with coloured powder being thrown throughout the event. We are super proud of these children at The Coppice for such a selfless act for a great cause and their mums were too! A huge well done children!





## Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## **Attendance Figures**

TOP ATTENDANCE 22nd - 26th Sept (last week)

RPB 100%

3K 99.33%

# TOP ATTENDANCE 29th Sept - 3rd Oct (this week)



## **Music Listening and Appreciation**

#### This week's playlist was:

Era Focus: Early Period (400 - 1400 CE)

- 1) Hildegard Von Bingen O Eurachi (c.1140-79)
- 2) Guillaume de Machaut Je Vivroie Liement (c.1340)
- 3) Beatriz de Dia A Chanter M'er De So (1100s)
- 4) Pérotin Sederunt Principes (c.1199)

Next week's playlist is:

#### **Geography Focus: Asia**

- 1) Assorted composers: The Yellow River (1970)
- 2) Fatin Shidqia Salahkah Aku Terlalu Mencintaimu (2016)
- 3) Mona Singh Koka Silver Da (2017)
- 4) OnlyOneOf Dora Maar (2020)

That just leaves me to wish you all an enjoyable weekend with your children. We look forward to seeing all of the children, and you, bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)