



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2023

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 Information Evenings:

It has been really lovely this week to welcome so many of you in person to our Parent Information sessions that were held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. I sincerely hope that the information that you have received has been very useful and informative as this is what we want it to be. Should anything remain unclear though, please don't hesitate to contact your child's Class Teacher.

We do appreciate that not all of you were able to attend these meetings. However, it is vital to us that you still receive the information that was shared. Therefore, in order to help everyone to either access the information again, or to receive it for the first time, we have uploaded the Year Group presentations into the Year Group newsletters area on the school website.

Swimming pool and lessons:

It's fantastic to see the return of the swimming pool, which means that we are again able to provide swimming lessons to all of the children from Years 3-6. As I said last year, and hence the swimming pool's return, children learning to swim is something that we feel passionate about as it is a key life skill that enables our children to be as safe as possible in water. Swimming is a statutory part of the curriculum and to be able to have a pool onsite is a huge plus for our children and school. It is still much better to have a pool on site rather than spend a lot of time on a coach for only a short lesson. This is why we have used a large part of our Sports Premium money to enable us to have this facility again this year and are hopeful that is something that we will be able to do every year. Therefore, please be reassured that we will continue to place learning to swim as a vital part of our PE curriculum and ethos.



Author Thomas Taylor visits The Coppice! Another author will visit next week!

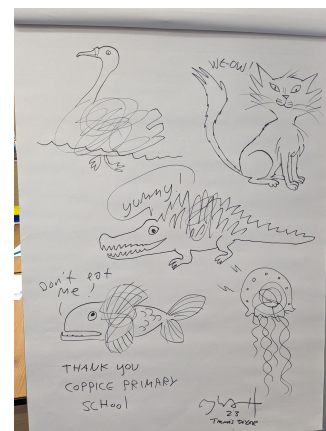
Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 were treated to a visit from Thomas Taylor, author of the acclaimed 'Eerie-on-Sea' series of books. Thomas is visiting a few schools around the country to celebrate the release of his latest book: 'Mermedusa' last week, and we were lucky enough to be one of them!

Thomas gave a captivating assembly: he talked about his journey to become an author and his writing processes; he shared the treasures he had found while beachcombing and talked about how he draws inspiration from found objects; and he completed a live illustration challenge, turning scribbles from Coppice kids into different creatures!

The children represented our school very well, listening intently and asking great questions. We were so thrilled to have been able to welcome Thomas to our school and to showcase our reading culture.

We have plans for more author visits this year, with the next one being Alex Willmore's visit to Year One and Two on Tuesday, which we know the children will be equally enthused about.

A huge thank you goes to Assistant Head: Mr. Laight for organising these inspirational events. Without doubt, they have a huge impact on our children and their desire to be both readers and writers.



Dogs and smoking/vaping on site – important :

Just a quick but very important reminder at the start of the year that, at the children's request, we do not allow dogs on any part of the school site (including car parks and pathways). The only dogs that are allowed are our Thrive dogs: Rufus and M and any certified assistance dogs that are clearly identifiable by their jackets. If this is likely to be the case with anyone dropping off or picking up children, please contact the school office to let them know – thank you.

In addition, just a reminder that our whole school site (both wider site and inner site) is a non-smoking and non-vaping area. Please ensure that this is adhered to at all times.

Medical Conditions and Asthma Policies:

Both of these policies are on the school website and should be referred to if your child has a medical condition, requires medication or has asthma. It is crucial that Parents and Carers understand the school's policies, parameters and processes with regard to these areas so please familiarise yourself with them if they apply to your child.

That just leaves me, as always, to wish you a restful and enjoyable weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning.

Kind regards,


Mr.Hutt

After School Clubs

The Coppice has always had a reputation for providing a great variety of extra curricular clubs and this year is no exception. In the table below you will see all the clubs that will be on offer this Autumn term. Some are lunchtime clubs and others are after school clubs. Next term's clubs will be communicated to you nearer the time. Our clubs for our younger pupils tend to start in the Spring term. The focus of the Autumn term is to settle our youngest children before extending their day with clubs.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
Mon	<p>Multi sports Y6- 3.20-4.30 Starts 25th Sept - letters out next week. – Mr Edwards. No charge</p> <p>Crochet Club 3.20-4.20 starts 16th October Y5 and Y6 - limited spaces. Letters going out this or next week No charge</p>	<p>Science Club – 3.15-4.00pm. Year 2 only- letters will be sent out later. No charge</p> <p>Chess & draughts club – Y3-Y6- letters to go out this half term. 3.15-4.15pm No charge</p> <p>Multi sports Y5 3.20-4.30 No charge– Mr Edwards - letters later.</p> <p>Crochet Club 3.20-4.20 starts 16th October</p>
Tue	<p>Multi Sports Y1-Y6 – David Morris outside provider – letters already sent. Places still available. Fees payable</p> <p>Gymnastics Y2 and older. Sign up here https://forms.gle/cWpZq6TmD1wiwXqa6 Fees to join waiting list available</p> <p>Art Ambassadors – Invite only</p> <p>Sewing club Y5, Y6 No charge– letters will be sent out soon.</p> <p>Board games Lunchtime- Invite only</p>	<p>Science Club Year 4 only 3.15- 4.15pm no charge– letters will go out later.</p> <p>Multi Sports Y1 -Y6– David Morris outside provider – letters sent out half termly. Fees payable</p> <p>Gymnastics Y2 and older. Sign up here https://forms.gle/cWpZq6TmD1wiwXqa6 Fees payable waiting list available</p> <p>Art Ambassadors – Invite only</p> <p>Sewing club – Xmas decoration making Y4, Y5, letters will be sent out later. No charge</p>
Wed	Extra choir practice -lunchtime – choir only- No charge	Extra choir practice - lunchtime – choir only -No charge
Thu	<p>Multi Sports –David Morris Y1 - Y6 – letters sent. Fees payable Places still available.</p> <p>Cheerleading- Stardust. R, 1, 2, 3 Fees payable –ONLY 2 places still available</p> <p>Gymnastics -competition squad – invite only</p> <p>Spanish Y 1 Y2 – Fees payable. Letters already sent out.</p> <p>Makaton signing No charge– letters sent out. Y6 this half term Lunchtime club.</p> <p>Photography Y3-6 -Outside provider- Fees payable letters sent last term. Places still available contact mike@education-in-focus.co.uk . No club 21. 9.23</p>	<p>Multi Sports Y1 - Y6 –David Morris –Fees payable letters sent out half termly</p> <p>Cheerleading- Stardust. R, 1, 2, 3 -Fees payable see poster below</p> <p>Gymnastics -competition squad – invite only</p> <p>Spanish Y 1 Y2 –Fees payable letters already sent out.</p> <p>Makaton signing lunchtime – letters sent out. No chargeNext group of children who have already applied – may be more spaces – await confirmation.</p> <p>Photography - Y3-6 Outside provider Fees payable – letters to go out later</p>

Fri	<p>Choir Y4-Y6 - Club Full</p> <p>Spanish Club Y1 & Y2 - Fees payable . A couple of spaces available (3.10-4.10 pm – Outside provider. Contact the school office</p> <p>Friday Club – Invite only</p>	<p>Choir Y4-Y6 - Club Full</p> <p>Spanish Club Y1 & Y2 Fees payable - A couple of spaces available (3.10-4.10 pm) – Outside provider</p> <p>Friday Club – Invite only</p>
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INTERNATIONAL
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DANCE & GYMNASTICS

@ Coppice Primary School
Shawhurst Lane B47 5JN

INFANT GYMNASTICS
Wednesday 5-5.30pm
Ages 3-7

INFANT DANCE
Wednesday 5.30-6.15pm
Ages 3-7

JUNIOR & SENIOR GYM
Wednesday 6.15-6.50pm
Ages 8+

JUNIOR & SENIOR DANCE
Wednesday 6.50-7.30pm
Ages 8+

For more information please contact Carla
07957 283 608 | info@stardustdance.net

Find more classes and details online at
www.stardustdance.net

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Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival celebrations will be held on Friday 22nd September. Once again, our Harvest assemblies will be led by St. Mary's Church and they are always lovely occasions. We hugely value our connection with the church so it is lovely to be able to come together in this way to celebrate such an important event in the school and church calendar. In preparation for this event, we are asking for donations of non-perishable foods to be brought into school from Monday until Thursday next week. These need to be taken by your child directly to their classroom and they will be collected from there. As always, we really appreciate your support with this. All of the food collected will go directly to both the Birmingham City Mission and the Hollywood Christian Life Centre Foodbank and, from there, to those people who need it most across the local area and Birmingham.



SCOFF!



Games, crafts and activities
followed by a hot meal

St Mary's
Wythall
Registered Charity no. 1132792

Fun and Food for the whole family
Wednesdays during term time

All Welcome

From 3pm-5pm

All children must be accompanied by an adult

Please book a place at
Eventbrite.com and
search 'Scoff'

Or use this QR code



St Mary's Church, Shawhurst Lane, B47 5JN
(to the rear of the Coppice School site)

churchoffice@wythallchurch.net
01564 823 248
www.wythallchurch.net

Church, Schools & Community working together

Dates for this term

20th Sept
27th Sept
4th Oct
(11th Oct no SCOFF)
18th Oct
25th Oct

Community News

WYTHALL BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL

FRI 6TH & SAT 7TH OCTOBER
12PM - 11PM

20+ REAL ALES, CRAFT BEERS & CIDERS

Raising funds for Wythall Community Association (Registered Charity No 243332)

MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS WELCOME

WYTHALLBEER
WYTHALLCOMMUNITYCLUB.ORG.UK

WYTHALL HOUSE, SILVER STREET, WYTHALL, B47 6LZ.

5 star football coaching

@ Moseley School
@ Kings Heath Boys School
@ St Thomas Aquinas

Join Kings Heath Sports FC

Girls Only Football

Futsal training

Soccer Saturdays Sunday Sessions

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ALL SAINTS CENTRE FAMILY FUN DAY

Sunday 17th September 2023
12pm - 4pm

BOUNCY CASTLE
FACE PAINTING
MUSIC REFRESHMENTS
CHILDRENS ENTERTAINMENT
CRAFTS
LIVE DJ
COMMUNITY CAFE
TABLE TOP MARKET

Kings Heath Village Square
B14 7RA

NUTS!

Just another reminder that The Coppice is a nut free school. This is due to the fact that we have several children who have severe nut allergies. Please do not send your child into school with any nut products (including those with traces of nuts not just whole nut products) including chocolate and hazelnut spread or peanut butter sandwiches. Please also check the contents of cereal bars. Our nut allergies cover the whole spectrum of nuts including but not limited to, pecans, walnuts, hazelnuts, peanuts, sesame and brazil nuts.



Term dates 2023 / 2024

Term/Holiday	School closes on (all usual school finishing time)	School re-opens on
Autumn Term	Not applicable	Wednesday 6th September 2023 (Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th September 2023 are TED days)
Autumn Half-Term	Friday 27th October 2023	Monday 6th November 2023
Christmas	Friday 22nd December 2023	Tuesday 9th January 2024 (Monday 8th January 2024 is a TED day)
Spring Half-Term	Friday 9th February 2024	Monday 19th February 2024
Easter	Friday 22nd March 2024	Monday 8th April 2024
Summer Half-Term	Friday 24th May 2024	Monday 3rd June 2024
Summer Term Ends	Friday 19th July 2024	Not applicable
Other Closure Days	Monday 6th May 2024 Monday 1st July 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024	Bank Holiday TED Day TED Day

Woodrush High School Job Vacancies

Evening Cleaner. Salary: SCP 1 (£9.50 per hour) plus National Joint Council pay award (% tbc), effective April 22

Exam Invigilator

Contract: Casual (During academic School year)

Salary: SCP1 (£9.50 per hour plus National Joint Council for Local Government Services pay award, effective April 22 TBC)

We are seeking to appoint experienced or non-experienced (as full training will be given) and committed exam invigilators to work on a casual basis during the school academic year to ensure the smooth running of examinations in accordance with published guidelines.

For more information and application process please visit www.woodrush.org/Vacancies

Lead Exam Invigilator **Contract: Casual Salary: SCP3 (£9.79 per hour plus National Joint Council for Local Government Services pay award ,effective April 22) (TBC)**

We are looking for an enthusiastic and hardworking individual to join our fantastic team, helping to create a great working environment. A person who is an experienced and committed exam invigilator to work on a casual basis during the school academic year to ensure the smooth running of examinations in accordance with published guidelines.

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Teacher of Boy's PE.

Salary: MPS/UPS Contract : Full Time, initial Spring/Summer fixed term with possibility of permanent position

Teacher of Maths. Salary: MPS/UPS (TLR for the right candidate) Contract : Full Time, Permanent (open to discussions for fixed term)

Please find all vacancies at

<https://www.woodrushhigh.worcs.sch.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=200>

Thank you for reading our Whole School Newsletter. Now click on the link below to access your Year Group Newsletters.

[Click here](#)

CONTACT US

School office –01564 826 709

School email—office@coppice.worcs.sch.uk

Text service - 07984441282 - Use this number to text a child's absence

OUR ONLINE LINKS

School website- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/>

Newsletter- <http://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/>

PTA- <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/coppice/#.Wv1BYDQvypo>

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

PTA Facebook group—<https://www.facebook.com/groups/320191721984039/>