



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Friday 20th October 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.

### **Open mornings – praise for our school!**

It has been an absolute pleasure to show both prospective and existing Parents and Carers for Nursery and Reception around our school this week. We are extremely proud of our school and are always happy to show it off! These tours were an overwhelming success and the feedback that we received from our visitors was glowing. As you all know, we take great pride in the look and feel of our school because we want it to be the very best learning environment for your children that it can be. We are a warm and welcoming school and this starts with our fantastic office staff who ensure that Parents, Carers and visitors always get a warm welcome and the information they need. Mr. Mace, our Site Manager, his Deputy: Mrs. Boyd and the team of school cleaners, do an incredible job week after week in ensuring that our school is always well-maintained and looking its best, and our Teachers and Teaching Assistants do an equally amazing job in ensuring that your children are happy, safe and learning to the best of their ability. All of these points came over in bucket-loads as I walked around the school with our visitors. Your children were incredible and an absolute credit to you - 'The Coppice Way' was there in abundance for all to see! This is, without doubt, a special school and I am incredibly proud to be Headteacher here.

### **Whole-school Twitter/X pages:**

Linked to the above, we are very excited to announce that we have started a whole school Twitter (X) page! This is a great way for us to showcase our school and everything amazing that is happening here! We will share weekly updates from different areas of our school so that you can see first-hand all of the exciting things that have been going on that week.

Please follow our page: **@\_TheCoppice**

We are also so pleased with the success of our Instagram page that was initially showcasing our EYFS environment. We have therefore now opened this up to Year 1 as well and we will soon be showcasing Year 2 too.

Please give this page a follow where you can see photos of what your children have been up to!  
**@thecoppiceschool**

Also, we have a Facebook page that you can follow which is **'The Coppice Primary School, Hollywood'**.

## Restart a heart:

Children in Year 5 and Year 6 took part in 'Restart a Heart' life-saving training on Tuesday. Nurse and trainer: Ali Spencer taught the children how to administer CPR. We hope that no one ever needs to use these skills but it may save a life if this is ever the case. The children greatly enjoyed this incredibly important training and our thanks goes to Ali for her time and excellent delivery. This is something that we did last year as well and intend to do every year.

For further information on this wonderful project please follow the link below:

[https://www.resus.org.uk/sites/default/files/2023-10/RSAH%20Supporters%20Pack%202023\\_v8.pdf](https://www.resus.org.uk/sites/default/files/2023-10/RSAH%20Supporters%20Pack%202023_v8.pdf)



## Maths Challenge:

Last Friday, four of our Year 4 children: Otto (4CR), Isla, Kevin and William (4W), attended the King Edward's School Maths challenge. The level of competition was very high and our children did really well. Unfortunately, on this occasion, they didn't get through to the finals. Nevertheless, they gave it their all and did The Coppice proud! Well done children for your fantastic efforts and fabulous attitude at the competition.



## Spooky writing:

On Tuesday, twelve of our brilliant Year 6 writers travelled to King's School in Worcester for a Spooky writing workshop after being successful in an anonymous writing competition that all of the Year 6 children took part in. The workshop began with some spooky storytelling set underneath the cathedral and the children listened to spooky stories from across the globe. These came from the book: 'A world full of spooky stories' told by Count Dracula's friend: a scary skeleton and a gaggle of witches! A group favourite was a story from West Africa titled 'The Talking Skull'.

Following this, the children took part in a creative writing workshop, and impressed their new teacher with their knowledge of suspense writing! They explored classic gothic stories, such as Frankenstein and used this to inspire their own planning for their own story. The children all had a fantastic time, and conducted themselves fantastically throughout the whole day as you will see in the photos below. Well done everyone and a big thank you to Miss. Danby for accompanying the children



### **Dogs Trust Visits**

Over the last few weeks, Becky Short, from the charity 'Dogs Trust', has been in to deliver assemblies and workshops to our junior children. The aim of her visit was to encourage the children to display safe and kind behaviours towards both familiar and unfamiliar dogs. The classroom workshops continued to provide the children with training on how to approach everyday situations with dogs - including some drama and role play with real-life scenarios.

The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about this and the representatives from Dogs Trust were very impressed with the children's listening and their thoughtful questions. Workshops will be continuing for some Year 5 and 6 classes on Monday 23rd October. Many thanks to Becky for coming in to provide this valuable experience for the children.



### **Brown-belt success for Harry!**

A huge well done to Harry from 6C who has achieved his brown belt for Kickboxing. Harry has been kickboxing for a number of years now and is passionate about the sport. A huge well done to you Harry for this fantastic achievement and we look forward to continuing to follow your progress over the course of the year.



That just leaves me to say, as usual, that I hope you all have a lovely weekend with your children and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Kind regards,

Mr. Hutt


(Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)




# Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE		
9th - 13th October		(Last week)
	1D	98.3%
	6D	99.3%

TOP ATTENDANCE		
16th - 20th October		(This week)
	2T	98.3%
	3L	98.7%

## Upcoming dates

Tuesday 24th October - Individual school photographs - see next page of this newsletter

Thursday 26th October - Sibling photographs see below

Friday 27th October - KS2 author workshop with Jack Meggitt-Phillips

Friday 27th October - Break p for half term at the normal time.

Tuesday 31st October - Y6 parents - Closing date for applications to high school (via your local council portal)

Monday 6th November - school re opens

Monday 6th to Friday 10th November the school will be selling poppies and other small items from the Royal British Legion. - More information next week.

Tuesday 14th November - Reception hearing testing - please see the email sent on 18.10.23

Thursday 16th November Parents Evenings - see below

Friday 17th November - Children In Need Day - more information will follow.

Tuesday 21st November Parents Evenings- More information on how to make a booking will follow but please save the dates

Wednesday 22nd November - Flu vaccinations (Rec- Y6) -have you given your consent or declined via the portal? [Vaccination UK Immunisation \(schoolvaccination.uk\)](https://www.schoolvaccination.uk)

Friday 8th December - PTA Christmas Fayre 5pm - 7.30pm - see poster later in newsletter

# School photographs

Versa Portraits will visit the school on Tuesday 24th October to take individual school photographs and will return on Thursday 26th October to take sibling photographs.

The arrangements are as follows-

All children should wear school uniform on Tuesday. All children having sibling photos on Thursday should wear uniform on Thursday as well.

If it is your child's PE day on either day, then please wear uniform and bring PE kit to change into.

3L have swimming on Tuesday morning so please wear uniform and only bring PE kit if you are going to David Morris's after school sports club.

If you do not have PE on Tuesdays or Thursdays but will be attending David Morris's sports club after school please bring PE kit or sports kit to change in to at the end of the day.

Sibling photographs are only for siblings that attend our school, unfortunately we are unable to accommodate younger siblings and children from other schools/nurseries.

Children that attend Part time Nursery Monday to Wednesday will have their individual photo on Tuesday and then are invited to come at 9am on the Thursday for their sibling photograph. Please enter the Infant Hall via the church doors in the car park and stay with your child until after the photos have been taken then you can take them home. .

Children who attend Part time Nursery Wednesday to Friday and all children in the Maple class will have both their individual photos and any sibling photos taken on Thursday.



## PTA News



There will be opportunities to view and purchase pre-loved uniform next week.

On Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th October the Infant Hall will be open at the end of the school day for you to browse our uniform stock.

There will be a donations box if you wish to donate to our PTA for the uniform you select.

This is an excellent chance to get any Winter uniform you may need for after half term.



## Community News

It's the first event in the British Basketball calendar, and you can be part of the 9,000 crowd in the spectacular surroundings of **Utilita Arena Birmingham** to enjoy the all men's Semi Finals action live.

Taking place on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January**, the day includes the Final Four showdown and will decide the top two men's teams to compete the following day in the Trophy Finals, alongside plenty of sensational entertainment courtside.

**Book your £5 tickets here:**

<https://shopbritishbasketball.com/products/trophyprimary>

To add tickets, click Add to Cart, then you can increase your ticket request to the desired numbers.

### Schedule

- 2.30pm Doors Open
- 3.30pm Men's Semi Final 1
- 6.00pm Men's Semi Final 2
- 8.00pm Doors Close







\*Hollywood United FC Football Camp\*

In 1 week we will be kicking off our October football camp and will be running for 3 days over the half term holidays - with football pitches and equipment all on site we are ready and raring to go!!! ⚽

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**Ages**

For 5 to 12 years old

**Hours**

8:30am - 3:30pm

**Price**

£18 per day

Or book all 3 days for a reduced fee of £50

We have indoor facilities for break / lunchtimes and for activities and games. Children will need to bring their own pack lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Location – Woodrush Rugby/Football Club  
 Icknield Street, Birmingham, B38 0EL

All coaches are FA Qualified, Enhanced  
 DBS and are First Aid trained!

Please contact ASAP if you are interested for your child as places are limited.

Many thanks

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HUFC Head Coach & Welfare Officer



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

## OUR ONLINE LINKS

School website- <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/>

Official Twitter/X page -@\_TheCoppice.

Instagram - Thecoppiceschool