



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 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 and to spending some quality time together. As always, it's been another busy and enjoyable week at The Coppice.

Parents' Evening:

Thank you again to all of you who attended this week's Parents' Meetings. As I said last week, your support for your children is very much appreciated. I have spoken to lots of the teaching staff over the last couple of days and they have been really pleased and happy with how these meetings have gone and the feedback that they have received from you regarding the children and the progress that they are making.

Both during and after the meetings, I have had some lovely conversations with Parents and Carers that have made me feel extremely proud about the work that we do as a school and the standards that we achieve with our pupils across the breadth of the curriculum. There were also many numerous examples of praise for our staff. Many of you commented on the fact that you couldn't believe the high level of work and content that the children are producing in a primary school. It is great that this has been recognised and we are extremely grateful that it has been.

As a school, we also want to thank you for your ongoing support of your children at home. Once again, it is all about working in partnership together and this is something that we truly value at The Coppice.

Indoor Athletics Success for The Coppice!

On Friday 14th March, Year 6, Boys and Girls went to RSA Arrow Vale for the annual indoor athletics competition. The girls' competition was first and, after a solid start, the girls kept coming back with firsts and seconds across a range of track and field events. It all came down to the very tense relay race at the end! After 12 events, the girls were crowned champions of the morning after beating their opponent by a massive 22 points. The girls, as ever, were fantastically behaved and well-mannered. They were a credit to The Coppice! Well done Kesia, Poppy, Jess, Maeva, Myah, Lucy, Ellie (who even ran one race with one shoe and still won!), Zara, Erica, Ayla and Megan. They will now attend the county finals on Thursday 10th April to represent Redditch District!

The boys were up next and they also did incredibly well! After 12 track and field events, the boys came in third place, just missing second by 9 points. The boys showed fantastic sportsmanship and listened to all the instructions as this was their first time competing in the Indoor Athletics. Well done Kian, Jacob, Bobby, Arjan, Carter, Athulan, Noah, Theo, Isaac and Finley. Miss Wells and Mr Edwards had a fantastic day and are looking forward to the county championships with the girls on Thursday 10th April! A huge well done to everyone!



Year 5 Residential Trip to Ingestre Hall:

Some of our Year 5 pupils spent the end of last week at Ingestre Hall, in Stafford. The children selected an Art Form to study, with the focus being on our upcoming topic of 'Space'. The different art forms included: dance, acting, music, art and film animation. The children spent many hours on their masterpieces and showcased their end products to the rest of the children and staff on Friday morning, which I had the absolute pleasure of attending.

On watching our children presenting, I was, as always, bowled over by the confidence, creativity and talent of our children. What they produced was truly remarkable.

It was also a great feeling that the staff at Ingestre Hall commented on the children's fantastic listening and their excellent manners - once again The Coppice Way in full view. Coppice staff were impressed with the children's resilience, particularly as it was the first time away from home for many of them. We were very proud of how the children conducted themselves and how creative their work was; every child had their chance to shine and they did just that! Without doubt these trips bring children so many different benefits which is exactly why we do them.

Obviously though, these residential trips are a huge commitment for the staff who organise them and, like the children they also spend time away from their own families in order to ensure that the children have a wonderful experience. I therefore want to say again a huge thank you to Mrs. Blundell, Mrs. Rowles, Mrs. Ashwell, Mr. McGarry, Mr. Lampard, Mrs. Small, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Phillips, Miss. Franklin and Miss. Caddick for the part they all played in this trip and the time that they gave to it. It wouldn't have been possible without them.

Linked to the above, it has therefore been very much appreciated to receive so many emails of thanks from Parents and Carers who have recognised the effort that goes into these trips. We don't do these trips for comments of thanks but I can't deny that it is lovely to receive them all the same when we do!

Year 5 parents can view their children's amazing work next week - date to follow. In the meantime though, the photos below are a snapshot of the children's time at Ingestre.



Year 1 are published authors!

It was lovely to meet with a group of Year 1 children on Wednesday morning who have had their writing and illustrations published in a real book called 'Super Me'. The children were thrilled to be included and loved our special book signing! The book will now be proudly displayed in the school library. We are extremely proud of your achievement children!



Celebration of outside school achievements:



Horse riding success for Sienna!

Huge congratulations goes to Sienna, from 4C, for winning a horse riding trophy and rosette from the recent Marsland lead reigns and assisted under 8 competition. Points are built up over the course of the season and, when it ended, Sienna was crowned the champion! We are extremely proud of you Sienna - well done!



Taekwondo success for Leo!

Huge congratulations also goes to Leo from 2T who has just achieved his Yellow single stripe belt in Taekwondo. Leo has been doing the sport for about six months and is clearly very passionate about it! We are very proud of you too Leo - well done!

Finally we have a minibus again!

It is great to be able to end the week by letting you all know, if you didn't already, that we finally have a minibus again! As you were aware, we had our previous one stolen and it has been a difficult time without one. As a school that enters many competitions and goes on many visits, we have been lost without it and it isn't cheap to hire one!

I think you'll all agree that it looks fantastic and it has already had a couple of run-outs. A huge thank you goes to all the companies that offered to contribute to the minibus replacement fund. We will be giving them all a personal shout-out when the new bus has had its branding and logos added. Happy days!



After sharing so much good news, that just leaves me to wish you all a lovely weekend. As always, we greatly look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



We had two sittings for hot chocolate this week as we had to postpone from the previous week.

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

St Patrick's Day - 17th March

- 1) The Corrs - Toss the Feathers (1995)
- 2) Barrule - Mylecharaine's March (2012)
- 3) Enya - Only Time (2000)
- 4) The Dubliners - Fields of Athenry (1983)

Next week's playlist is:


Romantic Era (1820 - 1920)

- 1) John Philip Sousa - The Liberty Bell (1893)
- 2) Chiquinha Gonzaga - Sultana (1878)
- 3) Léo Delibes - Flower Duet (1883)
- 4) Fanny Mendelssohn - Notturmo (1838)

Attendance Figures


TOP ATTENDANCE

10th- 14th March (Last week)

	1B	99%
	3K	100%

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17th - 21st March (This week)

	1B	99.33%
	5RB	100%