



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 7th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good half-term break with your children. As always, it's been lovely to see the children back and looking so smart in their Coppice Winter uniforms.

In-person Parent and Carer Meetings for Nursery through to Year 6:

We are really looking forward to holding our in-person Parent and Carer meetings, to discuss your child's progress so far this academic year, on Wednesday 12th November and Wednesday 19th November. These are extremely important meetings and we would like to urge every Parent and Carer to make an appointment with their child's teacher if you haven't done so already. By doing this, it means that school and home can work closely in partnership to ensure that your child is fulfilling their potential and you are aware of what they need to do to progress even further.

Wednesday 12th November	Nursery / Reception: (Class teachers only)	2.00pm - 5.30pm	Church Hall
	KS1 (Years 1 and 2)	2.00pm - 5.30pm	Church Hall
	KS2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6)	4.00pm - 7.00pm	Main Hall
Wednesday 19th November	Nursery / Reception: (Class teachers & Key Workers)	4.00pm - 7.00pm	Church Hall
	KS1 (Years 1 and 2)	4.00pm - 7.00pm	Church Hall
	KS2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6)	2.00pm - 5.30pm	Main Hall

Face-to-face appointments can still be booked via the school app: Just go to the booking icon, click on it and then follow the instructions to book your appointment. **If you have difficulties making an appointment please contact either the school office or your child's class teacher, who will be able to help.**

Celebration assemblies:

We began this week with our Celebration Assemblies for Years 1 to 6 where we celebrated all of the excellent learning that took place over the first half-term of this academic year and they were wonderful occasions.

We firstly awarded our half-termly 'star' trophies to a child in each year group for the following categories: 'The Coppice Way', Writing, Reading, Maths, Science, Sport, Computing, the Arts and Humanities (Geography, History, Religious Education, Spanish). Through these trophies, we recognise the many and varied talents of our children and ensure that all children feel that they have something to aim for. This very much fits in with our vision of wanting The Coppice Primary School to be a school where, by the time a child leaves us in Year 6, there has been 'none of their talents left undiscovered'.

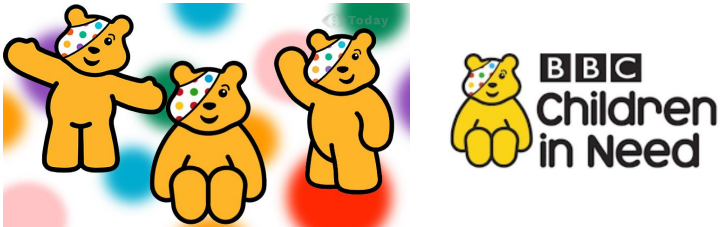
I also want to recognise all of the children for all of the team points that they earned this half-term. Every team point counts towards the total and every team point represents something that a child has achieved, which is always a cause for celebration! To remind you all, our School Team Point system greatly values and recognises the achievements and hard work of our children on a day-to-day basis. All children earn team points across the days and weeks and these are added up across each half-term. During the Celebration Assemblies at the beginning of each half-term, we award bronze, silver and gold medals to the top three team point earners in each class. The team that earns the most team points wins the team point trophy for that half-term.

You can see in the tables later on in this newsletter who the team point medal winners and trophy winners were and I'd like to say a huge well done to all of the children who were given these awards on this occasion. I'm already excited to see who will get them next time!

Mrs. Ashwell and I also presented Early Years' Celebration certificates to Nursery children in their classrooms and it was wonderful to see the joy on the children's faces when they heard their names being called out.

Children in Need Day and Talent Show! - Fri 14th!

It has been a really exciting week in school with all classes holding their talent shows in order to find their representative for next Friday's Children In Need talent show. There is always a real buzz in school over this event and it is wonderful to see the wide range of talents and abilities that our children have here at The Coppice! Don't forget that next Friday, all children (Reception to Year 6) can come to school wearing Children In Need clothing, clothing that represents their talent or interest or sporty clothing with a spotty and dotty twist! An exciting and fun day awaits! Please note that all **Nursery children** will be having their Children In Need Day on **Wednesday** instead of Friday so that all children can take part.



Remembrance:

This week, we have marked this Sunday's forthcoming Remembrance Day by selling poppies and Remembrance themed items to raise money for The Royal British Legion, in order to help support both former and current military personnel and by holding Remembrance themed assemblies. We will also be holding a two-minute silence across the whole school on Tuesday 11th at 11.00am and we will be presenting a wreath at the War Memorial at Drakes Cross during a short service on Tuesday.

As a school, we always believe it is vital to make all of our children aware of the importance of this event and feel it is our duty to ensure that the sacrifices that our service men and women have made throughout history and into the present day are forever remembered and fully understood. We also have a number of children in our school, who are sons and daughters of service people, and it is vital that these children see how much the school values the contributions of their Parent/Carers.

In addition, through our assemblies, we will focus on how lucky we all are to have our freedom in order that we can come to school and safely learn because of the selfless actions of others who have fought to ensure that this is the case.



Phonics Workshops - thank you!

A big thank you to all the Reception Parents and Carers who attended the Sounds-Write phonics 'word building' sessions, this week and before half term. Your participation is greatly appreciated by both the children and teachers, and your support will truly enhance your child's early reading development. Thank you to Miss McDonald, Miss Bradley and Mrs Bellamy for leading these sessions.

If you were unable to attend the workshops but would like more information about phonics teaching at The Coppice, please speak to your child's class teacher. We will host more phonics workshops throughout the year, so please check the year group newsletters for upcoming sessions.



Sikh festival celebration:

On Wednesday, all of the Sikh children and staff in our school celebrated Guru Nanak Jayanti, also known as [Guru Nanak Gurburab](#). This is a major Sikh festival which celebrates the birth of the founder of Sikhism. The festival includes prayers, singing hymns, and a special feast called langar.



As you can see from the photo above, we created a special celebration table in order to mark this event and to show how much we recognise the importance of this event to all Sikhs. Mrs. Viridi, who is one of our lunchtime supervisors, was extremely happy that we had marked the event in this way. She also made the staff very happy by sharing sweets and chocolate with them! We very much hope that all of our Sikh families had a wonderful time celebrating with each other!

Celebration Time

Dancing success for Isobel!

It was lovely to have a visit from Isobel (4DR) in order to celebrate her dancing success with Lyntone Dancing School. Isobel achieved both bronze and silver medals in her exams and was rightly very proud of her achievements - we are very proud of you too Isobel! She is now aiming for her Gold medal and we wish her the very best of luck with that.

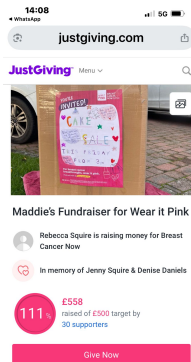


Maddie raises a fantastic amount of money for Breast Cancer UK

It is wonderful to celebrate Maddie from 4B who held a cake sale fundraiser in aid of the Breast Cancer UK 'wear it pink' campaign.

After losing both of her nans to breast cancer, it was solely Maddie's own idea to do a fundraiser. With the help of her sister: ex-Coppice pupil Lilly, they managed to raise an amazing £558. The girls worked extremely hard, baking to ensure that this event was a success, with very little help from any adults. They even went to Solihull Riding Club the next day to sell the remainder of cakes!

As a school, we are so proud of Maddie and Lilly too! To raise such a large amount of money in memory of the girls' Nans, and for such a good cause, is a wonderful, empathetic thing to do. If you'd like to, please contribute via the Just-Giving page displayed in the image above.

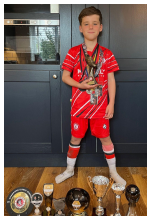


Lorcan is flying high with his football!

Lorcan, from 4B, was recently celebrated alongside his team: Redditch Utd at their end of season tournament trophy presentation. He was also presented with Manager's play of last season for his Sunday league team at Hollywood Football Club.



With the new season now two months in, Lorcan has already bagged man of the match six times: five times for Redditch and once for Hollywood for his consistent performance. We are all super proud of Lorcan for his achievements and impressive trophy collection!



Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 20th-24th Oct (before half term)

	2P	99.00%
	3K	99.03%

TOP ATTENDANCE 3rd- 7th Nov (this week)

	1T	98.62%
	6C	100%

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

Remembrance

- 1) Edward Elgar - Variations - 'Nimrod' (1898)
- 2) George Butterworth - The Banks of Green Willow (1913)
- 3) The Military Wives - Wherever You Are (2011)
- 4) The Farm - All Together Now (1991)

Next week's playlist is:

Guitar

- 1) Al Di Meola - Mediterranean Sundance (1977)
- 2) Stanley Clarke - School Days (1976)
- 3) Xuefei Yang - Danny Boy (2022)
- 4) Mark Knopfler & Evelyn Glennie - Altamira (2016)

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)