

The Coppice Whole School Newsletter Friday 1st July 2022

Dear Parent and Carers,

It has been another busy week here at The Coppice. We have had a number of classes on trips as well as having a special visitor come to the school.

Off-site visits: Half of the year six children headed off to their residential on Monday, swapping with the other half of the year on Wednesday. Staff and children have had a fabulous, if not exhausting, week. Activities included; archery, low and high ropes, hill walking, zip wire and King Swing. Many children faced new challenges and were able to overcome their fears. Lots of happy, excited and tired children!

Our Year five children visited Think Tank this week to deepen their knowledge of Space and Forces, visiting the planetarium and other relevant exhibitions. They had a lovely day and it was great to hear that the Think Tank staff commented on the good behaviour of our children during the visit. Well done Year five for representing the Coppice in such a good way.

Class 3P also headed out this week to visit the Roman Museum in Alcester to further enhance their knowledge of Romans in Britain. Class 3K will be visiting next week.



Olympian in school: On Thursday we had a special visitor in school, Amy Smith. She is an Olympian athlete from Kidderminster, who came in to spend the day with the children. They all spent some time out on the field with Amy, completing circuits and working on their fitness. She then delivered an assembly to the children focusing on resilience, perseverance and success.

A little bit about Amy: After coming away from her debut Commonwealth games in Melbourne in 2006 with a 4x100m freestyle relay silver, Amy Smith eventually became a regular fixture in the British Swimming team by 2009. A whirlwind 2010 followed for Amy in which she picked up relay gold and silver at the European Championships in Budapest before defending her Commonwealth 4 x 100m freestyle relay silver and making individual finals for Team England at the commonwealth Games in Delhi. She made her Olympic debut in London 2012 where she finished fifth in the women's 4x100m freestyle relay final. She then went on to win another silver in the 4 x 100m Freestyle relay at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow 2014.

We are delighted with the amount of sponsorship we have received so far. Up to date we have raised £1300 from online sponsorship and we know there is still more to come! Thank you for your generosity and support. The money raised will go towards buying sports equipment for the school. Thank you to Miss Wells for organising this event. (See further down the newsletter for photographs showing the children hard at work with Amy.)

Nursery Stay and Play: We have had several Stay and Play sessions in Nursery, which is a lovely opportunity for both the staff to get to know some of the new children who will be starting with us in September and for the children to familiarise themselves with our Nursery environment and the Nursery Staff. We look forward to the children joining us properly in September.

Open afternoon: On Tuesday 12th July we will be holding an open afternoon in school. The classrooms will be open for an hour after school and we invite parents and children in to look through your child's books, at the work they have done this year. This is not a time for individual parent / teacher meetings but is a chance for your child to share and talk about their work with you. The class teacher will of course be on hand to answer any questions related to our curriculum. We look forward to welcoming you into school for this.

Staff celebrations: As well as celebrating the successes of our pupils we also like to celebrate staff success. Firstly, our congratulations go to Mrs Bellamy (Year One teacher) who will be performing at the opening and closing ceremony of the Commonwealth Games 2022. She auditioned to be part of the 'volunteer dance group' and must have aced her dance moves as she was successful in making it on to the dance team. She is now spending a lot of time at rehearsals - so please look out for her during the ceremonies and cheer her along!

Our second congratulations go to Miss Perry (Year Three teacher) who is a very keen gardener. This week she found out that she has won the runner up prize for the B&Q Gardener of the Year 2022 award. A fantastic achievement. More pictures of the beautiful garden will be appearing in the local and national press - so keep an eye out!



Well done to both our talented teachers.

The Summer Revel: We have been really looking forward to our yearly Summer Revel. Our PTA does an excellent job of pulling together such events which help to raise a lot of money for some of our bigger school projects. Thank you to everyone who comes along and supports these events. The revel is a wonderful way of bringing the school community together and having some fun!

Mr Hutt will be returning to school next week following on from his paternity leave. Let's hope he hasn't had too many sleepless nights!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Ashwell

Deputy Headteacher





Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



School Uniform for next year.

Summer term hasn't yet ended but that doesn't mean preparations for Back to School can't start.

Our local uniform providers are stocked up and ready for you to start shopping online and in store now to beat the August rush.

Monkhouse (formerly Early Years) - Stratford Road, Shirley would like you to either order online or make an appointment. Their special offer is that you will be entered into a draw to win back the cost of your shopping. Cliche Mark have a special offer for children new to The Coppice (Joining Reception) where they can get 15% off shopping by using the code NI2022.

My Clothing also supply logo items and can be accessed by following the link https://myclothing.com/collections/the-coppice-primary-school-9314

Please note that the only piece of uniform which has to be bought from these suppliers are the sweatshirts, jumpers and cardigans with logos. Don't forget that the supermarkets, Matalan etc offer cheaper alternatives for non logo items.

Open Afternoon!





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Tuesday 12th July 3.15pm - 4.15pm



You are invited to come back into the classroom after you have collected your child at the end of the day to look at the work your child has done this year.

This is a lovely opportunity for you to look through their books and for the children to share their learning with you.

We look forward to welcoming you in.

News from St Mary's Church





Barn Dance

9th July 7pm

Desserts & Puddings provided

Bring your own drinks & snacks

Single Ticket £3 Family Ticket £10



New arrivals!

Reception children have been waiting to meet some very special visitors to their classes. They have been staring into egg incubators for a couple of weeks waiting to see what will happen. This week the eggs finally hatched!



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