



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Friday 4th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children. As always, it's been another busy and enjoyable week at The Coppice.

### **National Poetry Day 2024:**

It was a joy to celebrate all things poetry over the course of this week. As I mentioned in last week's newsletter, Thursday 3rd was the official National Poetry Day so we took full advantage of this fact and celebrated poetry all week! We started on Monday with poetry assemblies where teachers from all year groups 1 - 6 read a favourite poem to the children. In tribute to the stunning rainbow pictures we posted on the parent app a few days ago, I read a poem entitled, 'How do you make a rainbow?' A real highlight of these assemblies though were Mr. Lampard and Mr. Ruffles reading poems that they themselves had written, which I have to say were absolutely fantastic and again showed off their creative talents. Mr. Ruffles' poem was entitled 'What is joy?' and Mr. Lampard's was entitled 'Say something'. I have to say, both children and other staff were extremely impressed!

The week culminated this afternoon with all classes from Years 1 - 6 performing the poem that they had learnt to other classes of children. We had three performances, all of which included a Year 1 class, a Year 2 class, a Year 3 class, a Year 4 class, a Year 5 class and a Year 6 class. The performances were absolutely fantastic and it was pleasure to front these special occasions.

Without doubt, Poetry is a genre of language that can bring both children and adults so much in different ways and, therefore, it is something that we really want to ensure our children are exposed to.

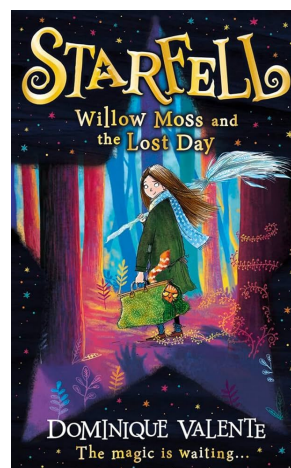
### **Phonics workshop:**

A big thank you to all Reception Parents and Carers who attended the 'What is Sounds Write Phonics?' workshop on Wednesday morning - your attendance on behalf of your child is hugely appreciated. Understanding how we teach the foundations of reading is hugely beneficial to you as Parents and Carers in being able to support your child's reading journey at home. If for some reason you were unable to attend the session and would like more information about the teaching of phonics at The Coppice, please see your child's Class Teacher and they will be able to support you further. In addition, we will look to put on more sessions over the course of the year. A big thank you obviously goes to Mr. Laight and Mrs. Russell who led this session.

### **Author visit next week:**

Next week, we welcome our first real-life author of the year to The Coppice Primary next week when Dominique Valente, author of the the 'Starfell Willow Moss' series visits us on Tuesday morning. Dominique will do a talk for Years 4, 5 and 6 and there will be an opportunity to ask her questions about being an author and where she gets her inspiration from.

Some children will also receive their signed copy of one of Dominique's books which they pre-ordered.



## The School Council is back for 2024-25!

It was wonderful to have our new 2024-2025 School Council elected this week and huge congratulations goes to all of the children who were voted for by their peers. The School Council is a vital part of our school and ensures that the children have their voice and a say in things that affect them. Miss. Danby (Year 6 Teacher), is again our School Council Leader and I'd like to thank her for all of her efforts in organising this year's process.

In the run up to the elections, the children again learnt more about the democratic process and the importance of having their voice heard at school. As we all know, democracy is a fundamental British value and it is crucial that the children understand about how this works. All the children who ran as candidates in the elections did themselves incredibly proud, producing fantastic Powerpoint presentations and posters (as can be seen in the photos opposite), working hard on writing and performing their speeches and generating some brilliant ideas to make our school an even more amazing community to learn and grow in.

It is clear that we have voted in a hard-working, dedicated and thoughtful School Council team, who are determined to do their best for our school. The first meeting of School Council will be next week and will focus on how the School Council operates as well as discussing the importance of it and what the vision and priorities are for this year. The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and the Secretary will also be voted in at this meeting. I will personally attend this meeting and greatly look forward to doing so.

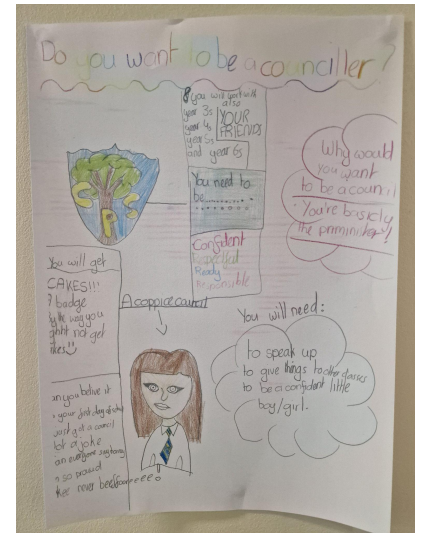
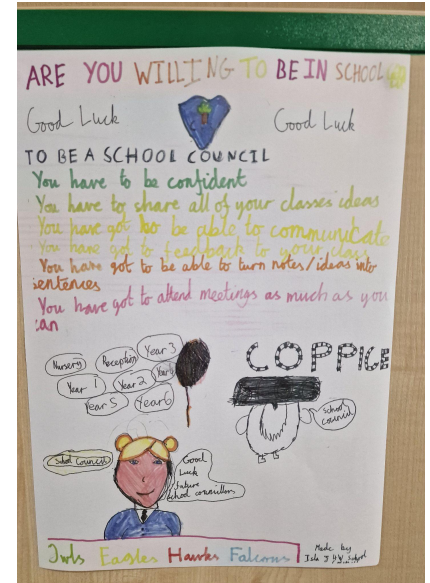
The Council will then be meeting every three weeks and will focus up on how to improve our school even further for all the children at The Coppice. Our Councillors are already bursting with ideas and there will be plenty of work to do - it is sure to be another busy year for our School Council!

### **The children elected as School Councillors were:**

The Year 3 councillors are Hannah (3L), Rudy (3B) and Rosie (3K)



The Year 4 councillors are Caleb (4R), Alice (4C) and Sienna (4W)



The Year 5 councillors are Blake (5RB), Benjamin (5F) and Esme (5C)



The Year councillors are Charlotte (6D), Alex (6G) and Bobby (6C)



### **More swimming success for Arlo!**

It's fantastic to once again celebrate Arlo from 5RB who had more swimming successes last weekend at the Worcester County Development meeting in ~~Worcester~~ **Worcester**. Arlo did incredibly well, winning three gold medals in the 50 metres breaststroke, backstroke and freestyle and silver medals in the 100 metres backstroke and freestyle. ~~Arlo~~ **Arlo** from 5RB who has recently had her book review of *I Am Wolf* published on the Topsta website. If you'd like to read Jessica's full review, it can be found by clicking on the following link:

<https://topsta.com/books/details/469045/i-am-wolf-1>

In the meantime, here's a snippet of her review:

***I Am Wolf is all about friendship, survival and adventure. I loved everything about this book, particularly the excitement and danger. It's like no other book I've ever read. This book is unique!***



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



## Music Listening and Appreciation

Click on the underlined words to go to the playlists.

This week's playlist was -

### [Early Period Music \(400 - 1400 CE\)](#)

- 1) Hildegard of Bingen - De Spiritu Sancto (c.1150)
- 2) Johannes Ciconia - O Rosa Bella (c.1395)
- 3) Francesco Landini - Ecco La Primavera (c.1360)
- 4) Anonymous - Sumer is icumen in (c.1260)

Next week's playlist is -


### [Geographical Focus: Asia](#)

- 1) Simran Bhardwaj - Laung Laachi 2 (2022)
- 2) Spitz - Robinson (1995)
- 3) Gong Kebyar of Peliatan - Baris (1971)
- 4) Ros Sereysothea - Chnam oun Dop-Pram Muy (1974)

## Attendance Figures


### TOP ATTENDANCE

23rd - 27th September (Last week)

	1LR	99.67%
	3K	99.67%

### TOP ATTENDANCE

30th September - 4th October (This week)

	1LR	100%
	3B	98.89%