



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 22nd March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, I hope that you have all had a good week and are very much looking forward to the Easter break with your children. As with last week, there is much to share and it's a bumper Easter edition!

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 received some really lovely feedback from Parents and Carers that 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.

We have worked incredibly hard as a school on our curriculum to ensure that our children get a broad and balanced education through high-quality teaching and learning across all subject disciplines. It is vitally important to us here that 'No talent goes undiscovered' at The Coppice and this can only be achieved by ensuring that our curriculum enables this to happen. This is why **every** subject is incredibly important. We always want to discover who our geographers, historians, musicians, mathematicians, writers, readers, artists, sports people, linguists, designers and scientists are. This is why our books, from all subjects we teach, were on display for you to view.

As a school, we also want to thank you for your on-going 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.

Early Years' Celebration certificates:

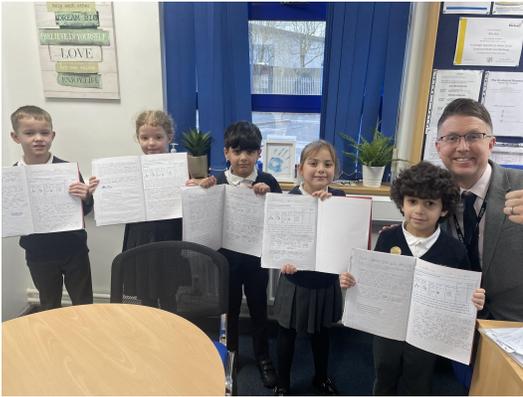
This week, Mrs. Ashwell and I have had the pleasure of presenting celebration certificates to some of our children from our Nursery and Reception classes. As always, these were lovely occasions and it was a pleasure to hear the many fantastic reasons for why the children had received these certificates.

Reasons ranged from 'Being a role model to others', 'Always being kind to their friends', 'Being curious and asking lots of questions', 'Being resilient with learning', 'Always following The Coppice Way' and 'Becoming more independent'.

The children were thrilled to receive their certificates and stickers and their happiness and pride at their achievements was a joy to behold.

Celebrating Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 writing:

I had the joy of lots of children from different year groups coming to share their writing with me this week and it was one of the real highlights of the week. I was treated to a range of stories and poetry that the children had carefully crafted in their lessons. I was wowed by the creativity, imagination and care that the children had shown with their writing and it was an absolute pleasure to read. The children pictured below are Louie, Alice, Aahil, Rose and Sam (all from Year 2); Harley, Ariana, Gracie, Poppy and Jensen (all from Year 4); and Jacob, Joseph, Tayt and Annabel (all from Year 6). Well done children and keep on writing!



Praise for our staff!

I received the following, wonderful email from one of our grandparents (Mrs. W) on Wednesday, which really made me smile and feel really happy. It was an email that reflected on the amazing experience that her granddaughter: Ayla in Year 5 had experienced on the recent Year 5 residential visit to Ingestre Hall. The children had a wonderful time and I felt that this email really encapsulated the reasons why, as a school we organise these trips. It was also hugely appreciated to have the hard work and time commitment of our staff recognised. We are so lucky to have staff that are more than willing to give up their own time away from their families to ensure that the children have such a wonderful opportunity and experience. A huge thank you to Mrs. Blundell, Miss. Franklin, Mrs. Rowles, Mr. Laight, Mrs. Small, Mrs. Robinson and Mr. Lampard for taking the children.

'Dear Mr Hutt,

What a week Ayla (Year 5) and her peers have enjoyed. We collected Ayla from school on Monday 18th March, 2024, having had the memorable experience of the residential school trip to Ingestre Hall and she was bursting to share the days' experiences.

Ayla was keen to tell us of the delights of being in a ten bed dormitory which allowed her to forge new friendships and learn how to make a bed! Thank you to the staff who have encouraged her to be independent and self-reliant. We thank all of the staff who forfeited their own families to be away with a large group of excited Year 5 Pupils. We cannot emphasise enough how much we value the children having the opportunity to be away from the comfort of their own homes and families; essential life skills, like decision-making, problem-solving, and having more independent responsibility are not measured in an OFSTED inspection but are very much needed in the development of these young people. In addition, the creative tasks sounded good .

Please pass our thanks to all the staff who made this Residential Trip possible... we value all of the time before, during and after which has gone into making this trip stick in their memories... forever. Learning outside of the classroom has such a positive impact and is beneficial in creating a rounded person who can work collaboratively and creatively'.

Easter Bonnets!

Nursery had a lovely time showing off their Easter bonnets to their Parents and Carers over the course of this week. The bonnet parade is a real Coppice tradition that has happened for many years now and long may it continue because the Nursery children always look fantastic and enjoy the occasion. Thank you to all of you who attended the parade to support your children and thank you also for your efforts in helping the children to make their bonnets. I have to say that they looked very impressive, as you can see from the picture. Sorry I couldn't include all of them!



Celebration Gallery!



Maison, Arthur, Lucas, Harrison (from 4CR) and Jenson (from Reception) all took part in the Mothering Sunday Parade at Kingswood Meeting House as part of their Boys Brigade duties on Sunday 10th March 2024. They presented all ladies in the congregation with daffodils to give thanks and celebrate Mothering Sunday and also took part in the service, supported by Mrs Godson. Well done boys for conducting yourselves so well and thank you to Mrs. Godson for your time and effort as well!



A huge well done to Bobby, Jacob, Isaac and Alfie (all from Year 5) who were part of the Hollywood United football team that won their cup final 1-0 last weekend.

We are super proud of you for this achievement boys and I'm not surprised that you were so proud of those wonderful medals!



Charlotte H, from Year 5, was awarded with a trophy by her dance school (Alison School of Dance) on Saturday for being the 'Star of the Spring term' which she is immensely proud of. We are also, of course, very proud of her achievements and so are her parents. Well done Charlotte!



Well done to Daisy, from Year 5, for achieving her 25 metres swimming award. Daisy swims at The Diamond Swim Academy and has been working hard to achieve this milestone. Well done Daisy - we are very proud of you!



Well done Alice - an incredible achievement!

It is fantastic to be able to share a really great achievement from Alice in Year 2. Alice attends 1st Hollywood Rainbows Unit and, on Wednesday night, was awarded the Rainbows Gold Award, which is the highest award they can earn.

What makes this award even more special is that this is only the 3rd time it has been awarded in her unit in the last 20 years. Everyone is very proud of her and we are not surprised at all! Well done Alice on this wonderful achievement!

Can you help support two ex-members of Coppice staff to raise money for Acorns Children's Hospice?

Ex-members of Coppice staff: Julie Gough and Sarah Taylor are undertaking a huge fundraising Trek to China next year (May 2025) as part of #TeamAcorns. Through this challenge of a lifetime, they will be raising vital funds for local life-limited and life-threatened children and their families.

This huge challenge, across one of the Great Wonders of the World, will visit remote areas from Gubeikou to Jinshanling and Simatai. The team will be trekking The Great Wall of China itself, but also hiking through the wild and remote landscapes of rural China. They will be staying in guest houses throughout the trek which will let them experience authentic Chinese culture and discover more about the lifestyle of the local people as well as tasting some incredible, local cuisine.

Julie works at the Birmingham-based Hospice as a support worker for play and activity, arranging fun activities, days out, events in the hospice, swimming sessions with the children, Stay & Play sessions with families and creating special memory making items for families.

Sarah is one of the befriending volunteers in the hospice and works full time as a PA in Neurology at Solihull hospital for the NHS.



If you would like to support Julie, please see below the link to their Just Giving page or scan the QR code above. I know, for a fact that they will be thrilled with any, additional support that they receive.

[Julie Sarah is fundraising for Acorns Children's Hospice Trust \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/Julie-Sarah)

Have a great Easter!!

That just leaves me, as always, to end by once again wishing you all a lovely Easter break with your children. We look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday 8th April.

As always, thank you to all of you for your support over the course of this term.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE

11th- 15th March (Last week)

	2W	98.30%
	5F	99.70%

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18th -22nd March (This week)

	1D	96.4%
	3L	97.27%