



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 6th December 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 well as to our Coppice Parent and Teacher Association Christmas Fair this evening. Just a reminder that this runs between 5.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. and entrance is via the St. Mary's Church doors and foyer.

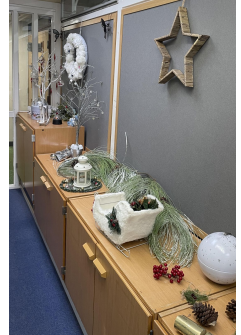
REMEMBER: EVERY PENNY RAISED GOES TOWARDS YOUR CHILDREN SO PLEASE SUPPORT US!

Our beautiful school at Christmas - thank you PTA and staff!

Talking of our amazing PTA, I once again want to thank them for their continued over and above contribution to our school. As you will no doubt have seen, the outside of school has been decorated in time for the run-up to Christmas, which makes the approach to our school feel warm and festive. Whenever I drive into school early in the mornings, the glowing lights always fill me with cheer. I have had many comments off other members of our community who feel exactly the same.

Not only have the PTA decorated the outside of school but they have also helped decorate the inside too, along with the usual huge contributions from Mrs. Small and the wider staff team. As many of you don't get a chance to see the inside of school at this time of year, I thought you'd like to see some of the Christmas decorations that your children get to see every day. Therefore, I have taken some pictures for you to look at below.

Thanks to the hard work of everyone, including obviously Mr. Mace and the site team, our school continues to be a beautiful, well-cared-for environment for our children to come to every day, which is exactly what we want it to be.



The Coppice Choir visit Shawhurst Sheltered Housing and Simms Lane Church to sing carols.

This week, our amazing Coppice choir ventured out of school on two separate performances, singing Christmas songs to different members of our community. On the Tuesday, they sang at Shawhurst Lane Sheltered Housing, while on Thursday, Hollywood Christian Life Centre welcomed them through their doors. They performed a selection of songs that included a variety of different Christmas classics, as well as our very own 'Coppice At Christmas', the song written by Mr. Lampard. We also heard solos from the incredible Evie, Darcey, Beau B and Charlotte. The whole choir put smiles on dozens of faces and truly carried the spirit of Christmas around our community. As always, we are extremely proud of them all. Huge thanks goes to Mr. Lampard, Miss. Gatfield, Mrs. Abbotts, Miss. Juneman, Mrs. Buckley and Mrs. Bookham who organised the events and accompanied the children.



Year 6 children are published authors!

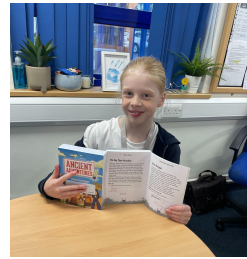
This week, it was fantastic to be able to congratulate a group of Year 6 children who have had their stories published in a real book! Last summer, the children all entered a competition run by the Young Writers' Association called 'Ancient Adventures' where the children had to write a mini saga with a historical setting. We were then informed that twelve of our children had had their work published in the book. Obviously, as a school, we are incredibly proud of these children for their achievement in having their work published and we hope that this encourages them to want to continue their creative writing journeys.



Mr. Laight plans to organise more of these competitions over the coming months and years so please encourage your children to take part if they talk to you about it. Who knows... we may soon discover the next big children's author at The Coppice!

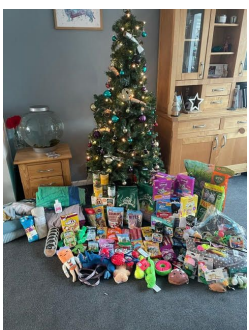


The children went home with copies of the book to share with family and friends and we bought a copy for our school library. We also asked the children to sign their work in our copy of the book – just in case they make it big as an author in the future!

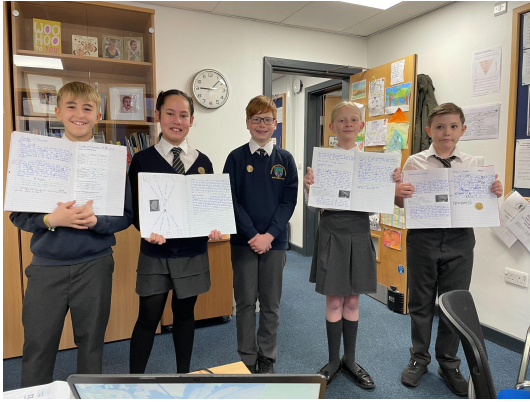


What an achievement by Millie - a huge thank you to our whole school community!

Millie, from 6D, has asked me to pass on her heartfelt thanks to everyone from our school community who contributed to her recent appeal for items that could be donated to Wythall Animal Sanctuary. As you can see from the photos below, the appeal was a HUGE success and the number of items that were collected was incredible. Millie took all of the donations to the sanctuary last weekend and they were extremely grateful to her and very impressed by her determination to make this appeal the success that it was. As a school, we are very proud of Millie and I know that her family are too. Well done Millie - your passion and determination certainly paid off!



Celebration Time!



Fantastic writing from Year 6 pupils!

A huge well done to Finley, Myah, Noah, Bethany and Jack, from Year 6, who came to share their writing with me. I was absolutely bowled over by the quality of these children's work and the passion that they showed for their writing. To produce pieces of such quality really is a credit to these children's fantastic attitude and the quality of the teaching and instruction that they receive from their teachers.



More swimming success for Arlo!

Arlo, from Year 5, set his swimming gala in Wolverhampton alight last weekend, coming away with six gold medals from his seven events! His golds were in 50 metre backstroke, 50 metre Front Crawl, 50 metre breaststroke, 50 metre butterfly, 100 metre backstroke and 100 metre breaststroke. Amazingly, his time in the 50 metre front crawl was the 12th fastest time nationally for a 9 year old! What a swimmer he is!



Gymnasts smash it!

Wythall Gymnastics Club members: Charlotte and Ayla (both Year 6), and, Millie and Myles (both Year 5) had fantastic success at their competition last weekend. Against seven other teams, Charlotte came away with a Team bronze and so did Ayla. Millie earned a Team Gold and individual Bronze and Myles earned a team Gold. A huge well done to these children on their wonderful achievements!

That just leaves me to say again that I hope you all have a lovely weekend with your children. We look forward to seeing many of you later at the Christmas Fair and then again bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr. Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

Music & The Civil Rights Movement


- 1) Eddy Grant - Gimme Hope, Jo'Anna (1988)
- 2) Marvin Gaye - Abraham, Martin & John (1968)
- 3) Patty Griffin - Up to the Mountain (2007)
- 4) Nina Simone - I Wish I Knew How it Would Feel to be Free (1967)


Next week's playlist is:

Instrument Focus: Brass

- 1) Joseph Haydn - Trumpet Concerto (1796)
- 2) Glenn Miller - In the Mood (1938)
- 3) Darius Milhaud - Scaramouche (1937)
- 4) Skatalites - Eastern Standard Time (1984)

Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE		
25th - 29th November (Last week)		
	RM	97.41%
	4W 5C	98%

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2nd - 6th December (This week)		
	1B	97.3%
	4W 6D	98%