



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Friday 1st March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, I hope that you've all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children and a chance to spend some quality time together.

### Young Voices 2024:

Last Friday afternoon and evening, seven of our staff: Ms. Croft, Miss. Keight, Mrs. Bellamy, Mr. Lampard, Mrs. Rowles, Miss. Thurston and Mrs. Marks accompanied fifty-four of our Year 4, 5 and 6 Choir Club children to The Young Voices singing event at The Resorts World Arena where they performed alongside many other schools from around the West Midlands. This is an event that we have always attended and which brings our children, Parents, Carers and staff a huge amount of pleasure. It was therefore a joy to, once again, be in attendance.

The feedback from both the staff that went and the Parents, Carers and other relatives, who attended in the evening to watch the completed performance, was truly amazing. Everyone commented on what a magical event this was to be part of and to witness and it was noted just how fantastic The Coppice children were, both in their performance and behaviour. We are therefore extremely proud of everyone that took part and I want to extend a huge thank you to the staff for taking the children and to the Parents, Carers and other relatives who attended to support their children. It was very late by the time that everyone got to bed, which meant there were many tired individuals on Saturday morning. Despite the late night it was definitely worth it and, as with last year, we can't wait to be back again next year. A huge thank you goes to everyone who attended!



**Our amazing Choir Leader: Ms. Croft was gushing in her praise for our children! She said, 'I am extremely proud of the choir's performance last Friday. What an amazing experience for them all. Their passion, commitment and resilience was outstanding. I couldn't be any prouder! Well done everyone, children and all staff included. I wouldn't be able to do this amazing event without you all. That just leaves me to say, thank you so, very, very much!'**

In addition, our wonderful staff received the following fantastic feedback from Mrs Jones, who is Isla from Year 4's mum: **'I just wanted to email to say how fantastic I think your staff are! We went to watch 'Young Voices' on Friday night and what an amazing evening it was. Not all schools have staff who are willing to give up their own time on a Friday evening for the children they work with. I am so grateful to your staff for their kindness, time and all they give to our children! An event like this is so important for children and for them to know that 'yes you do have a voice!' What an amazing experience for my little girl (Isla 4W) to experience at 8 years old and that is due to your staff's dedication and hard work both before the event and on Friday. Thank you again for all you do at The Coppice!' Praise indeed!!**

## **Robotics Workshops for Years 2 and 6:**

On Monday and Tuesday of this week, our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils experienced two wonderful Robotics days where they entered into a whole variety of computer coding challenges. The children loved every moment, were fully engaged throughout and rose to all of the challenges and problems they faced. There was so much learning and so many great experiences. James, from Hyett Education, who delivered the workshops, had nothing but praise for both year groups. I felt extremely proud, as Headteacher, when I observed bits of some of the sessions and saw just how much our children were getting from them.

It was also really interesting to talk to James about how coding will increasingly be the future in so many different careers as the years go on. Technology and robotics are advancing all of the time and therefore, these experiences enable our children to see and get a feel for what many of them may well be doing as a career.



## **In-person Parent Meetings for Nursery through to Year 6 Parents and Carers:**

Just a reminder that we will be holding Parent and Carer meetings to discuss your child's progress so far this academic year on Tuesday 19th March and Thursday 21st March. Please note that 5F's meetings will be held on 9th & 11th April. Additional information will be shared with EYFS parents regarding booking appointments with key workers.

These are extremely important meetings and we would like every Parent and Carer to make an appointment with their child's teacher. By doing this, it means that school and home can work closely in partnership to ensure that your child is fulfilling their potential. We are really looking forward to seeing you all.

Appointments will be booked using our Schoolcloud system and you will already have received information about this from our school office. If you haven't had chance to book an appointment yet, they can be made using the following link:

<https://thecoppice.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

To log in, you will need to enter your own name, your email and your child's name. (Please check the spelling of all of these as they must match what we have on our records).

You should be able to access Schoolcloud from all iPhone and Android phones, iPads and tablets, as well as laptops and desktop devices. Scroll through the dates and select the time slot that you would like. 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.

## Well done Ava and Jackson - we are extremely proud of you!

A huge well done to Ava (3A) and Jackson (1A) who have been working very hard during February to achieve walking 10,000 steps daily to raise money for Birmingham Children's Hospital. With only 2 days left of the challenge, they have been averaging over 11,000 steps successfully! What a fantastic effort both of you!

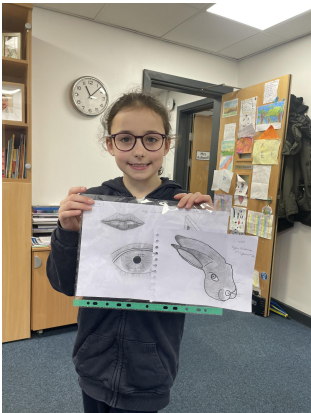


BCH is very close to the family's hearts. Ava's and Jackson's mum's cousin: Jessica, and her husband Adam, know only too well the magical work carried out by these talented doctors, consultants and nurses. Their daughter Alice was born prematurely at 30 weeks weighing 2lbs 2ozs in 2020 with a Duodenal Atresia and required urgent surgery when she was very tiny. Thankfully, she was under the expert care of Dr Singh. Then, when their son Abel was born in May 2023, within 48 hours of birth he required urgent surgery due to a serious bowel blockage. At the beginning of January 2024 he had further surgery to successfully reverse his stoma under the safe hands of Dr Lander! Alice continues to remain under care of Birmingham Children's Hospital as she has mosaic down syndrome and is partially deaf and Abel will continue to be monitored following surgery.

To have this opportunity to fundraise is a simple thank you to this amazing hospital, and to help ensure that they can continue providing world leading care to other families. If you would like to contribute to Ava's and Jackson's fundraising efforts, please use the following link: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/avaandjackson>

## Celebration gallery!

### A huge well done goes to all of the following children:



Siene from Year 5 for producing some amazing art work at home. Her picture of a rabbit's head was particularly impressive and was so realistic that the rabbit's eyes seemed to be looking right at you! Well done Siene!



Leo, from 5RB, achieved a national Greco-Roman wrestling gold medal last weekend, which is truly an incredible achievement. He defeated four opponents on his way to winning the tournament and I loved talking to Leo and hearing his passion for his sport. Well done Leo!



Florence, from 5RB, has achieved her Grade 2 tap award and is now working towards her Grade 3. She has also achieved her Grade 3 and 4 ballet awards and now has her Grade 5 exam on the day after returning from the Year 5 residential trip to Ingestre Hall! Good luck Florence and a huge well done on all that you have achieved so far!



A huge well done to 5F for all achieving their Bikeability (cycling proficiency) awards!

After sharing so much news, that just leaves me to wish you all a lovely weekend. As always, we greatly look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher)

# Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## Attendance Figures

### TOP ATTENDANCE

19th - 23rd February (Last week)



**1B**

**98.00%**

**3A**

**99.33%**

### TOP ATTENDANCE

26th february - 1st March (This week)



**1A**

**98.62%**

**6C**

**99.33**