



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 9th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

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

Indoor Athletics success (again!) for The Coppice:

On Friday 2nd February, Year 5 and Year 6, Boys and Girls went to RSA Arrow Vale for the annual Redditch Schools' indoor athletics competition. The girls' competition was first and, after a solid start, the girls kept coming back with firsts and seconds across a range of track and field events. It then all came down to the very tense relay race at the end! After a fierce competition involving twelve events, the girls were crowned champions after beating their closest rival opponent by just two points! The girls, as ever, were fantastically behaved and well-mannered and were an absolute credit to The Coppice! A huge well done goes to Isabella, Maiya, Rabia, Chloe, Eleanor, Annabel, Ellie H, Dolly, Eliza, Kesia, Poppy, Jessica and Maeva. Below are the girls celebrating their success!



The boys were up next and they also did incredibly well! After twelve more intense track and field events, the boys were crowned champions of the afternoon after beating their opponents by six points. They were complemented by three separate schools on their techniques, especially their baton changes. They will now, along with the girls, represent Redditch in the county finals on 12th April! The boys too were fantastic ambassadors for their school and their conduct was excellent! A huge well done therefore goes to Conor, Shay, Sam R, Jacob J, Zayn, Ethan, Cody, Orlando, Joseph B, Josh R, John, Tayt, Abdullah, Jacob W-B. Below are the boys also celebrating their success!



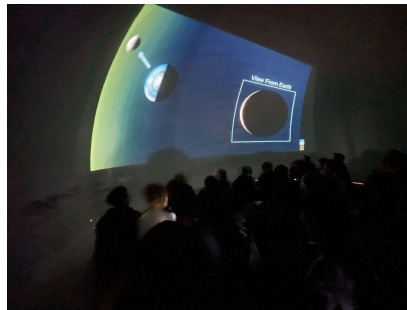
Miss Wells and Mr Edwards had a fantastic day too and are now looking forward to the county championships. A huge thank you and well done goes to them for their time and for their hard work with the children. Amazingly, this is the second year in a row that The Coppice has won both the girls' and boys' competitions - an incredible achievement which we are rightly extremely proud of, especially considering the fact that, once again, we defeated the Redditch Middle Schools!

Police visit The Coppice - for good reasons!



The Reception children had a fantastic time on Tuesday when PC Derry visited them as part of their 'People Who Help Us' topic and the children loved hearing about the role of a police officer. He spoke to the children about how he helps people and showed them some of the equipment he uses when working such as: his walkie talkie, police car, handcuffs, shields etc. The children then asked some great questions to find out more about the police. PC Derry also told the children about the importance of knowing that they can ring 999 if they need help. Finally, he brought some of his police uniform (coat and hat) to let the children try on. As you can tell from the photographs above, they particularly enjoyed their tour of PC Derry's police car! Thank you for your time PC Derry - we really value these valuable community links here at The Coppice.

Year 5 experience a planetarium at The Coppice!



On Wednesday morning, Year 5 welcomed Dave from Auriga Astronomy and his mobile planetarium into school! Inside the inflatable dome, the children learnt about Earth and space through a large film projection on the interior walls. Afterwards, Dave answered lots of questions ranging from 'How long does it take to get into space?' and 'How did the planets get their names?' to 'Are there aliens out there?' and 'Will humans live on the moon one day?' We were really impressed with the children's thoughtful questions and we look forward to embarking on our linked science topic. Well done children and thank you to the Year 5 teachers for organising!

Well done girls and dads!



Following on from two weeks ago where I mentioned four Year 2 girls and their dads looking to raise money by running for charity, I now want to let you know that the events they took part in were a great success! The girls: Ellimay, Florence, Heidi and Annie (all of 2P) completed their 1km race brilliantly and the Dads: Scott and Fred completed their half marathon. The girls and their families cheered the dads all the way along the course and got them over the line! Incredibly, their amazing efforts raised an amazing £1900 for Birmingham Children's Hospital. Everyone involved would like to thank all those who gave generous donations for such a great cause.

More Stardust dancing stars!

As I also reported in last week's newsletter, Stardust Dance Academy held a dance show at the Dovehouse Theatre in Olton recently, which included both dance and cheerleading performances. Many Coppice children performed in the show including: Emily, Alice F, Georgia, Alice T, Lillie, Freya, Charlotte, Ivy and Isabelle, who are all from 3L. The mums of the girls all reported that they performed brilliantly and, most importantly, they all had a great time! To top it all off, all of the girls received a show medal for their fantastic effort and performances. As Headteacher of The Coppice, I am extremely proud of all of the girls who took part and want to say a huge well done to each and everyone of them for representing themselves, their families, their school and Stardust Academy so well!



A lovely thank you to receive - well done Coppice staff and Nursery children and Maple Class!

It was a pleasure to end the term by receiving the following email, which shows how wonderful our school is!

Dear Mr Hutt and the staff of Coppice Primary School,

I just wanted to send a brief email of thanks for the welcome I received to Coppice Primary while leading Rhythm Time sessions to the Nursery classes and Maple Class. All of the teaching, office and site staff have been so supportive and thoughtful, which made my job so much easier! Most importantly, the students were an absolute pleasure to teach, being respectful, polite and kind at all times. What a pleasure it has been to spend time in your school! I would not hesitate to return should you decide to continue with Rhythm Time classes in the future. I wish you and the students all the best and hope you have a relaxing half term break.

Best regards, Emily Ford (Rhythm Time Class Leader)

Happy half-term holiday!

Finally, I want to end by wishing you all a lovely February half-term break. Thank you, as always, for your support of the school and your children over the last five weeks. Even though it has been a relatively short half-term, much has been achieved and we are very proud of all of the children's efforts with their learning.

As always, we greatly look forward to welcoming the children bright and early on Monday 19th February.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)


Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate with Mr. Hutt



Attendance Figures


TOP ATTENDANCE

29th Jan - 2nd Feb (Last week)

	1A	98.62%
	3L	99.33%

TOP ATTENDANCE

5th- 9th Feb (This week)

	1D	96.47%
	3L	97.36%

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