

The Coppice Whole School Newsletter Friday 11th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the Easter break with your children. It's been a very busy Spring Term and, as always, your wonderful children have been an absolute credit to you. They have worked extremely hard and made lots of progress in so many different ways, which has been fantastic to see. This final week of the term has had many highlights and there is lots to share with you all.

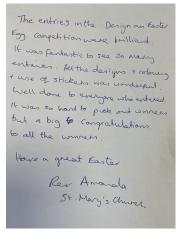
Easter egg design and colouring competition:

We have been thrilled with the number of entries to our PTA Easter Egg design and colouring competition and you can see just how many designs that we have had overall in the photo opposite - a huge well done and thank you to everyone who entered! This made the task of judging the competition an incredibly difficult one, especially with the standard of entries so high! Thankfully, we had Reverend Amanda from St. Mary's Church, who kindly offered to accept this challenge, and she came into school on Wednesday morning to do exactly that. We are therefore in a position to now announce the winners below, who will all receive a chocolate egg kindly donated by Drakes Estate Agency.









The winners for Key Stage 2 (designs on top row above from left to right) were: William Z (5RB) 1st place; Janelle N (6C) 2nd place; Ella D (4W) 3rd place; and Arlo J (5RB) 4th place.

The winners for Key Stage 1 (designs on middle row above from left to right) were: Elsie (1B) 1st place; Esme (1D) 2nd place; Darla (2W) 3rd place; and George (2T) 4th place.

The winners for Early Years (designs on bottom row above from left to right) were:

Aria (RT) 1st place; Yahya (RC) 2nd place; Nella-Grace (Nursery) 3rd place; and Eleni (RC) 4th place.

Peter Rabbit visits The Coppice!

It was a very exciting morning for our Reception and Nursery children on Wednesday when they had a visit from the one and only Peter Rabbit. Peter came with Mrs. Curtis, owner of 'Little Dots Play Village', and treated the children to one of his famous stories, which left them spellbound! A huge thank you goes to Peter and Mrs. Curtis for this lovely occasion - the children loved it!







Nursery Easter Bonnet Parades:

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!









A huge well done Coppice gymnasts!

It was an absolute pleasure on Wednesday to meet with all of the gymnasts from Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 who had competed in our recent in-house Coppice gym competition.

It was wonderful to hear from Miss. Carter and Miss. Franklin about these children's development over the course of the last two terms.





Many of these gymnasts are at the beginning of their journey and many of them had never competed in a competition before. Therefore, this was a huge event for these children which required them to overcome their nerves and fears. To know that they were able to do this filled me with pride about what our children are capable of and what an amazing job that our coaches do with these children to instill a can-do attitude.

It was lovely to be able to recognise and praise all of these children for their achievements and progress. I truly believe that gymnastics is a sport that instills so many qualities in our children that will serve them well as they go through their lives: resilience, teamwork, dedication, courage and determination and, therefore, this is why it will always be such a big part of our school culture.

Science Project Competition winners:

It was a pleasure on Friday to be able to present the prizes to the winners of the recent Science Project Competition which was organised by our Science Leaders: Miss. Dixon and Mrs. Cox (pictured in the photo opposite).

The children received a box of scientific 'goodies' and were absolutely delighted to do so. The winners pictured were:

Imogen (RT), Elsie-Mae (2T), Jacob W (3L) and Louis (5F). Well done again to these children for their wonderful entries.





School Games Finals at Bromsgrove School:

On Thursday, 11 Year Six children went to Bromsgrove School to represent Redditch and The Coppice at the district County Indoor Athletic Championships. After qualifying to represent Redditch a few weeks ago, the girls pulled out all the stops in their track and field events, consistently coming back with first, seconds and thirds. They were crowned the county's champions for the third year running against six other schools in the Worcestershire District. Miss Wells and Mr. Edwards are very proud of them. Thank you to all the Parents and Carers for spectating. Your support means a lot to all of us! Well done to Ellie, Ayla, Maeva, Jess, Zara, Lucy, Myah, Kesia, Poppy, Erica and Megan!









Year 6 Debating Competition:

We received some lovely feedback on our children following the recent Year 6 debating competition at King Edward's school which made us very proud and shows what articulate children we have here at The Coppice, which is testament to what positive things are done with these children both at home and at school in the area of debating and oracy. Huge congratulations goes to Bethany, Jessica, Jessie, Beau, Finley and Isaac - you've done The Coppice proud!

Celebration Time!

Hollywood United win the cup!

On Sunday, Hollywood United Sharks U8s played in the Warwickshire Spring Cup final. For the second year in a row, they emerged champions after beating Alvechurch in an extremely tense 3-2 victory. Every member of the team played incredibly well and the Sharks have had a fantastic season so far. The coaches are proud of how much determination and resilience the boys have shown. Who knows if next year will be the treble?





Congratulations Alexander!

Last weekend, Alexander H (2T) earned his Red Belt in kickboxing after successfully passing his grading Saturday. He trains with IKA Wythall and is very passionate about his sport. We are extremely proud of vou Alexander - keep working hard!



Mrs. Priddy completes her charity skydive! Well done Faye!

Faye Priddy, mum to Francesca (2P) and Eleanor (RM) contacted us this week to inform us that she completed her skydive on Saturday 5th April with some other members of the imaging department at Heartlands Hospital. So far they have raised over £5,500, with gift aid. All of this money will go towards improving the MRI service for helping children through their MRI scans. Faye also wanted to pass on a huge thank you for the charitable donations made towards her fundraiser which was featured in the school newsletter late last year. If anyone wishes to make any final donations, the page will stay open for a few more weeks

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That just leaves me to wish you all a wonderful Easter Break and we look forward to seeing you all on the morning of Monday 28th April. Please remember children can now wear summer uniform if they want to.

Kind regards, Mr. Hutt

(Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate





Hot chocolate celebrations postponed from last Friday.

This week's celebrations

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

St George's Day - 23rd April

- 1) The Beatles With a Little Help From My Friends (1967)
- 2) Vaughan Williams Greensleeves (1934)
- 3) Albert Ketèlbey -'Appy 'Ampstead (1924)
- 4) Traditional The Oak and The Ash (1600s?)

Playlist for after Easter is:

Early 20th Century (1920 - 1950)

- 1) Prokofiev Dance of the Knights (1935)
- 2) Grant Still Afro-American Symphony (1930)
- 3) Louis Armstrong Dinah (1920)
- 4) Carmen Miranda Tico Tico (1945)

Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 31st March - 4th April (Last week)			
	1LR	99.33%	
	3K	98.06%	

TOP ATTENDANCE 7th - 11th April (Last week)			
	1D	97.33%	
	4W	97.67%	