



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 18th October 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 always, it's been another busy and enjoyable week at The Coppice.

Internet Safety from West Mercia Police - opportunities to support your children:

As you all know, keeping children safe online in the modern world is one of the biggest challenges that we face as Parents and Carers, especially as technology advances even further. I don't think a week goes by where something isn't in the news about phone or computer usage by children, and there is much debate at a national level about what is the best way forward, which we all have opinions on. In the meantime though, the main thing that we can do is to educate ourselves as much as possible in order that we can talk to our children about this issue and protect them as much as we can. As a school, we already spend a great deal of time educating our children on how to stay safe online but these messages are always most effective when backed up at home as well and by external bodies.

With that in mind, West Mercia police are continuing to offer a range of support sessions for Parents and Carers that would be well worth you signing up for, if you want to find out more.

Feedback that we've had from Parents and Carers, who have attended these sessions previously, has always been extremely positive. It is also really good way to access this kind of information from home.

If you are interested in signing up for one of these sessions, you can do so via the link below.

www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops

Restart a heart training with Years 5 and 6:

Children in Year 5 and Year 6 took part in 'Restart a Heart' life-saving training on Wednesday. Restart a Heart Day takes place on and around 16 October each year. The Resuscitation Council UK along with the British Heart Foundation, British Red Cross, St John Ambulance, the Association of Ambulance Chief Executives, NHS England, Save a Life for Scotland, Save a Life Cymru, and Northern Ireland Ambulance work together to help raise awareness of cardiac arrest and teach CPR.



Protect our children!

Free one hour online awareness sessions for parents, guardians, community members and professionals who work with children.



Parents and guardians: Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe.

Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Our community: It takes all of us to protect our kids. Whether you are a postal worker, a bin worker, taxi driver, residents, a sports coach, we all need to know what kids being taken advantage of looks like and what to do about it.

Join our free one hour online community awareness session to learn how to protect our kids from those wanting to exploit them.

Professionals and people who work with children: You have a responsibility to keep children safe. You need to know what to look out for. Learn more about why kids are vulnerable and how they are manipulated into harmful situations and exploited.

Join our free one and a half hour professionals awareness session.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops



John Crompton
Police and Crime Commissioner
West Mercia



Nurse and trainer: Ali Spencer taught the children how to administer CPR. We hope that no one ever needs to use these skills but it may save a life if this is ever the case. The children greatly enjoyed this incredibly important training and our thanks goes to Ali for her time and excellent delivery. This is something that we do every year and will continue to do so due to its importance. For further information on this wonderful project please follow the link below:

<https://www.bhf.org.uk/how-you-can-help/how-to-save-a-life/restart-a-heart-day>



Praise for Year 5 pupils from Wythall Library - well done Year 5!

As part of their Ancient Greek learning, our Year 5 pupils visited Wythall Library on Tuesday in order to view the range of Greek resources that they have and to have a talk from Jo Cox, who is one of the library staff. The children really enjoyed their visit and it was wonderful to receive some glowing feedback from Jo about our children. She commented our children were an absolute credit to us in terms of their behaviour, their listening and their interaction with the session. To receive this kind of feedback is always a great feeling - well done Year 5, we are very proud of you! A big thank you also goes to Jo and the Year 5 staff for organising this session.

King Edward's Maths Challenge:

On Friday 11th October, four Year 4 children (Ruby, Krish (4C), Jay (4R) and Kajeevhan (4W)) attended the Year 4 Maths Challenge at King Edward's School. After a tough first round, they scored 45 out of 60 on the cross number and went through to the next round. The next round consisted of a 'relay race' of Maths questions where they were split into two groups and had to work together as a four but from across the room! They all worked extremely hard and managed to answer 17 questions! Overall, the children came 5th out of 10 with only 10 points between 7th place and 1st place! Well done to all the children, they displayed impeccable 'Coppice Way' behaviour and were a credit to our school.



Coppice writers shine!

It has been an absolute joy over the course of the last couple of weeks to receive a range of children from different Year groups in order to celebrate the effort and achievement that they are showing with their writing. As a school, we are constantly evaluating how we can make our writing provision the most effective that it can be so it is always a great feeling when I have children coming to see me who are so enthusiastic about their writing. Well done to all of the children below!



The Children I have celebrated this week are:

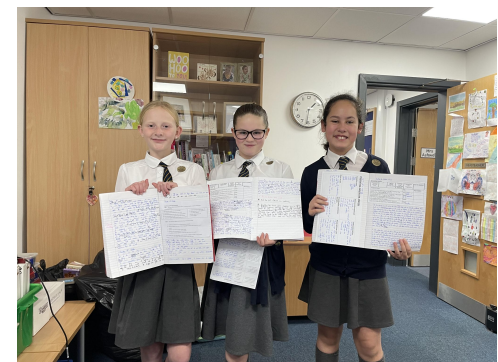
Left: Marnie, Otis and Jonah (2T)

Right: Bethany, Milly and Maya (6D)

Below: Mason and Lucas (5RB)

Below left: Orla, Isabella, Jessica, Francesca and Penny

Below right: Brodie, Thomas, Jacob and Joshua.



More to celebrate!

As always, it's lovely to be able to celebrate the many and varied talents of our children, both inside and outside of school. As you know, our mantra at The Coppice is 'No talent left undiscovered' and, therefore, it is extremely important that we recognise these whenever we can, which is exactly why I always include them in the newsletter.

Gymnastics star Maeva!

Huge congratulations go to Wythall gymnast: Maeva from 6D, who finished 5th out of 12 in the West Midlands competition that she was competing in last weekend. The competition at the level Maeva competes at is incredibly high so this is a fabulous achievement. Well done Maeva - we are so proud of you! The photos you showed me of what you can do were truly amazing!



Sculptor Finley!

It was a pleasure to meet with Finley, from 6D, when he came to show me the sculpture that he'd created of the four founding fathers of America, which can be found on Mount Rushmore. He'd been inspired to do this following his learning in his USA topic. The sculpture was incredibly realistic and showed great artistic talent - well done Finley!



That just leaves me to say, as usual, that I hope you all have a lovely weekend with your children and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday for what will be our last week in school before the half-term holiday.

Kind regards,

Mr. Hutt

(Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Music Listening and Appreciation

Just click on the underlined words to access the playlist.

This week;

Author's Choice

- 1) Regina Spektor - The Call (2008)
- 2) Pearl Jam - Just Breathe (2009)
- 3) Orbital - Chime (1989)
- 4) The Jam - Town Called Malice (1982)

Next week:

Halloween

- 1) Dusty Springfield- Spooky (1968)
- 2) Anthony Gonzalez & Gael Garcia Bernal - Un Poco Loco (2017)
- 3) Frank Sinatra - Witchcraft (1957)
- 4) Andrew Gold - Spooky Scary Skeletons (1996)

Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE

7th - 10th October (Last week)



2P

98.00%

4R

98.67%

TOP ATTENDANCE

14th - 18th October (This week)



2T

97.67%

3K

98.33%