



# The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

## Friday 27th March 2026

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.

### Parents'/Carers' Meetings:

Thank you again to all of you who attended this week's Parents'/Carers Meetings. As I always say, your support for your children is very much appreciated. I have spoken to lots of the teaching staff over the last couple of days and they have been really pleased and happy with how these meetings have gone and the feedback that they have received from you regarding the children and the progress that they are making.

Both during and after the meetings, we have had some lovely conversations with Parents and Carers that have made us feel extremely proud about the work that we do as a school and the standards that we achieve with our pupils across the breadth of the curriculum.

There were also many numerous examples of praise for our staff. Many of you commented on the fact that you couldn't believe the high level of work and content that the children are producing in a primary school. It is great that this has been recognised and we are extremely grateful that it has been.

As a school, we also want to thank you for your ongoing support of your children at home. Once again, it is all about working in partnership together and this is something that we truly value at The Coppice. It is an honour and a privilege to work with your wonderful children every day, and to watch them grow and achieve in so many different ways.

### 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 big thank you to St. Mary's!

On Monday, our Easter preparations began with Gary, from St. Mary's, delivering Easter assemblies to Key Stage One and Key Stage Two pupils. These were lovely occasions and the children engaged with the messages really well.

It is so important to us as a school that, whatever their individual beliefs, all of our children understand why we celebrate Easter and have a sound understanding of the Easter story. As you know, we are not a church school but we are a school that seeks to give our children many different perspectives so that they can make up their own mind in an informed way. Our much-valued links with St. Mary's are therefore an important part of that ethos.

**Year 5 Bikeability:**

Over the course of the last three weeks, our Year 5 children have recently been undergoing their 'Bikeability' training both in school, on the playground, and out on the local roads.

Cycle training and road safety are crucial life skills and are something that we have done for a number of years now. The children have really enjoyed the training that they have had and have greatly impressed their trainers, who came into school to deliver the course, with their fantastic listening, attitude and general conduct, which was described as 'outstanding'.

One of the trainers took time out of his day to express to me just how wonderful he thinks our school is. He said that he has worked in lots of schools and has never experienced such excellent behaviour and personal conduct, not only from the children that he has been working with, but also from around school generally.

We are extremely proud of these children for the comments that they received and the maturity they showed.



**Well done Year 5!**  
**An apology to our older gymnasts!**

A big apology from Mr. Hutt to our older recreational gymnasts who competed in their competition last Tuesday. Unfortunately, the photo that was with the write-up was the wrong one! Therefore please see the correct one below. Again, a huge well done to everyone who competed in this competition!!



**Summer uniform after Easter!**

Just a reminder that, when we return from Easter, this also marks the move from Winter uniform to Summer uniform for children who want to wear it. If you are unsure of what the summer uniform expectations are, please click on the link below which will take you to the page on the school website where these can be found.

[Coppice Uniform Expectations \(Sep25\)](#)

**A potential friendship opportunity with the BBC:**



Does your child shine at home, but struggle socially around other kids?

The team behind 'The Dog House' is making a brand new BBC series about childhood friendship and are looking for kids aged 5 to 8 who are finding it hard to make friends. If this sounds like your child – or someone you know – filming is in July/August 2026, the BBC would love to hear from you!

You can apply to express your interest for your child at:

<https://bemyfriend.tv/>

**New multi-agency drop-in service for Wythall residents:**

Please see below a flyer for a new multi-agency drop-in service that has been set up in Wythall for all residents. This has been set up due to the fact that some residents have trouble accessing some of the services, with attendance often being challenging due to travel costs etc.

The drop-in sessions will be held between 10am and 12 noon and will be at the Hollywood Christian Life Centre on Simms Lane. They will take place monthly on the last Tuesday of the month

It is a free service and there is no need to book an appointment, the following services will be represented:

BDHT

DWP

CAB

Cranstoun

The Basement Project



## Year 4 Boccia competition

On Friday 20th March, Mrs Bell and Mr Edwards took 5 x Year 4 children to RSA Arrow Vale to a Boccia competition. Oscar, Megan, Alama, Rudy and George did really well and managed to keep bringing the points back. Overall, there were 16 teams, and we, unfortunately, didn't qualify for the Worcestershire School Games but they presented themselves well and showed excellent sportsmanship. Well done!



**Just a reminder:**

## Georgia to raise money for Birmingham Children's Hospital in memory of Joshua.

Georgia C from 6D is going to be completing a fundraising challenge for Birmingham Children's Hospital in memory of our former pupil: Joshua Hillstead who we sadly lost in the summer of 2024.

Georgia is going to be climbing Mount Snowdon in Wales with her Mum: Jen, Dad: Simon and big brother Sam on 25th April. If you would like to support her with this wonderful, selfless act of kindness, please visit:

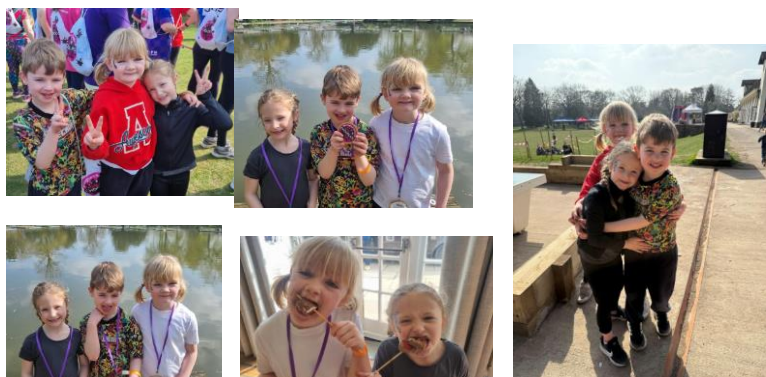
[Georgia's Just Giving Page](#)



## Celebration Time

Still on the theme of raising money for charity, a huge well done goes to Maya, Emma and Freddie (all from 1LR) for completing the 'Chocolate Run' in aid of The Birmingham Hospice last weekend.

We are super proud of all three of you for doing such a fabulous thing to raise money for a fantastic cause!



## Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



## Attendance Figures

### TOP ATTENDANCE 16th - 20th (last week)

	<b>1T</b>	<b>98.62%</b>
	<b>6D</b>	<b>98.67%</b>

### TOP ATTENDANCE 23rd-27th (this week)

	<b>RPB</b>	<b>99.23%</b>
	<b>5GB</b>	<b>98.71%</b>

## Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

### Romantic Era

- 1) Saint Saëns: Cuckoo in the Woods (1886)
- 2) Brahms - Hungarian Dance No. 5 (1858)
- 3) Verdi - Requiem: Dies Irae (1874)
- 4) Alice Mary Smith - Symphony in C Minor (1863)

That just leaves me to wish you all an enjoyable weekend and Easter break with your children. We look forward to seeing all of the children, and you, bright and early on Monday 13th April.

Kind regards, Mr. Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)