



The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children.

Parent Information Evenings (Y1 to Y6):

It has been really lovely this week to welcome so many of you in person to our Parent Information sessions that were held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. I sincerely hope that the information that you have received has been very useful and informative as this is what we want it to be. Should anything remain unclear though, please don't hesitate to contact your child's Class Teacher.

We do appreciate that not all of you were able to attend these meetings. However, it is vital to us that you still receive the information that was shared. Therefore, in order to help everyone to either access the information again, or to receive it for the first time, we will be uploading the Year Group presentations into the Year Group newsletters area on the school website. Please make sure that you do make time to look at this information as it will really help both you and child be familiar with what you can expect from the year ahead.

Phonics teaching recognition for The Coppice!

We are delighted to share some fantastic news with you! Our school has been accredited with the Sounds-Write Silver Award as part of the Sounds-Write Schools accreditation programme.

This is a significant achievement that demonstrates our commitment to ensuring that all children receive the highest quality phonics education, which is essential to their development as proficient readers and writers.

The Sounds-Write Silver Award recognises the strong leadership in phonics teaching across our school. We have worked hard to ensure that the programme is delivered with fidelity and consistency. We are also committed to continually improving our practice to achieve the best outcomes for all children.

This recognition is a reflection of our staff's dedication to the continuous improvement of phonics instruction, and we will continue to work hard to provide the best possible literacy education for our children. A massive well done and thank you goes to our amazing phonics Lead: Mrs. Russell for her dedication and passion in leading phonics. If you'd like to learn more, please visit the Sounds-Write website and follow this link for additional information for parents:

<https://sounds-write.co.uk/support-for-parents-and-carers/>



**Silver School
Awarded
in 2026**

Awarded for commitment to
high-quality phonics practice

PTA support Early Reading Development and Phonics with huge investment!

Linked to the above, and as can be seen in the images below, our incredible PTA (Parents and Teachers' Association) have again supported the Early Reading and Phonics Development of all of our children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 by **spending £5,000.00 on 2,800** new phonics and reading books! This will enable our children to have even more variety of home readers, and the multiple copies of titles means that more children than ever can access them at the same time.

Our children and staff are so excited about these new books and they will ensure that our fantastic, already recognised phonics provision will continue to get even better. **As I always say... 'Reading is the key to the door' that makes all other learning possible.**



**** Please note that our next PTA meeting will be on Monday 21st September (6.45pm until 8pm) in the school staffroom. Please join us if you can! :-)**

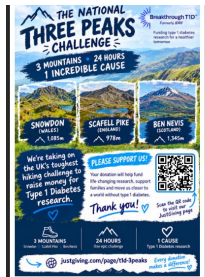
Mrs. Bell to complete Three Peaks Challenge for Type 1 Diabetes Charity: 'Breakthrough T1D'!

This Saturday, our Teacher: Mrs. Bell, and her friends, are completing the national three peaks challenge on Saturday 12th September for Breakthrough Type 1 Diabetes Charity.

We have a child in school who has Type 1 diabetes, as well as two members of staff, including Mrs. Bell herself. Therefore, this is a cause which is very close to the hearts of all of us who work at The Coppice.

If you would like to support Mrs. Bell, the link to her JustGiving Page is below. There is also a QR code on the poster opposite:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/t1d-3peaks?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL



Some very important reminders for at the start of this academic year:

Car Parking onsite and leaving school safely at the end of the school day:

As you will understand, the health and safety of our children and community need to be our number one priority. This is why we close the front gate to the main site in the mornings between 8.25 am and 8.45 am, to ensure that our site is traffic free. It is also why we have a one-way system out of school at the end of the day and don't allow Parents and Carers to exit via the Woodrush car park gate (unless they have a very good reason i.e. a blue disabled badge)

This is also a good time to reiterate that neither the car park at the front of The Coppice (left as you enter the site), nor the Woodrush rear car park, are general-use car parks. Therefore, these should only be used by the following groups of people during the school day: School staff, Church staff, Blue badge holders.

In addition, the other front car park (the one on the right as you enter the site) has only limited, allocated spaces for the following groups outside of the closure time: Woodrush gym members using the gym; Woodrush Community Library users and Woodrush Hub users.

Based on the above, ALL school traffic should not be accessing and using any of the site car parks, particularly at the beginning and end of the school day.

Thank you in advance for your support and understanding in ensuring that the above measures are adhered to in order to keep our children and families safe.

Supporting Pupils With Medical Conditions:

You can find our 'Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions Policy' on the school website:

<https://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/key-information/policies/>

You should be referred to this policy if your child has a medical condition, requires medication or has asthma. It is crucial that Parents and Carers understand the school's policies, parameters and processes with regard to these areas so please familiarise yourself with them if they apply to your child.

The Coppice is a Nut Free School:

For all Parents and Carers (both new and existing), I want to mention again that we are a nut free school. This is so that we can protect all of our children. In practice, this means not sending in your child with any food items that may contain any kind of nuts or other nut-based products, including spreads such as Nutella. This applies to both breaktime snacks and packed lunches. We also thank you for your understanding with this aspect of children's health and safety.

Allergy and Anaphylaxis Policy:

Linked to the above, our vision as a school is to create an allergy-aware school community where safeguarding, inclusion and education are mutually reinforcing. It is expected that allergy management is embedded within leadership, curriculum planning, educational visits, catering, wraparound provision and emergency preparedness, rather than existing as a stand-alone medical procedure. Consequently, from this September, we have a dedicated Allergy and Anaphylaxis Policy which can be found on the school website:

<https://www.coppice.worcs.sch.uk/key-information/policies/>

Please refer to this policy for all information regarding how the school manages all allergy related considerations for its pupils, and how the school prepares for and would deal with a child having an allergic reaction.

The Allergy and Anaphylaxis Policy contains all current legislation and guidance. This reflects the strengthened national expectations for allergy safety commonly associated with Benedict's Law and the accompanying Department for Education guidance. The school's Board of Trustees will monitor future legislative or statutory developments and ensure that our school's procedures are reviewed promptly whenever national requirements change.

Celebration Time

It was lovely to be able to celebrate Erin (5C) & Fern (3L) this week, after the girls decided to make and sell friendship bracelets to raise money for a rescue horse at their mum's horse stables. Angelo, a Spanish horse was imported and mis-sold to very novice owners. Unfortunately, he had multiple issues and shouldn't have been ridden again. However, he was, which left him in agonising pain. He was going to be abandoned but the girls' mum's friends: Jacqui and Jade, who are sisters, decided to rescue and adopt him. Since then, they have been fund raising to give Angelo a comfortable and retired life from riding.

Whilst the girl's mum was busy helping Angelo, Erin and Fern came up with the idea of selling the bracelets for a good cause. It was then that they decided to raise money for Angelo. They made posters and told mum to post the fundraiser on the local Facebook page and in various WhatsApp groups to advertise their sale. They initially made £20.00 which really sparked something in the girls to raise more. Therefore, at the stables August Bank Holiday annual fun show, the girls had a table and sold their bracelets. They did so well that their final total was £60.70! As a school, we are extremely proud of the girls for their empathy towards Angelo, resilience and creativity and also the amount they have raised. On Sunday we managed to see Jacqui and gave her the money to put towards Angelo's care and she said it will be enough to cover the cost of medications for a month! If you would also like to give to the fundraiser, the link is here: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/hv5p9s-angelo>



Saskia and Zara shine in triathlon!

A huge well done goes to Saskia (2P) and Zara (4B) who took part in the Alderford Kids Triathlon recently. The girls

are both members of Evesham Vale Triathlon Club (EVT) and absolutely love competing in this event. Zara was required to swim 50 meters, cycle 2 kilometers and run 1 kilometer and Saskia was required to do the same events but half the lengths/distances. The girls did really well and both finished 4th in their respective races. Well done girls -we are so proud of you!



Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate

***The first 'Star of The Week' hot chocolate reward with Mr. Hutt and Mrs. Ashwell (Reception to Year 6) will be on Wednesday 16th September. This means that the first class 'Star of The week' was decided by Class Teachers today!**

Mr. Hutt and Mrs. Ashwell once again look forward to celebrating with the 'Stars of The Week' and to the children again voting on who gets to do the washing up! :-)

Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 7th - 11th Sept (this week)

	RTK 2S	100%
	3L 3K	99.67%

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

Music From Our Area

[Hungry Like The Wolf - Duran Duran](#)

[Kingston Town - UB40](#)

[Changes - Black Sabbath](#)

[5-7-0-5 - City Boy](#)

Next week's playlist is:

Music From Films

[Sunflower - Post Malone, Swae Lee](#)

[Ocean Man - Ween](#)

[Vois sur ton chemin - Les Choristes](#)

[The Avengers Theme Song - Alan Silvestri](#)

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

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)