



Copley Junior School Newsletter



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Children's University Passport Count

Please remind your child to bring their passport to school on **Monday 1st April**. Our link tutor is visiting to lead an assembly and to count up all the hours that children have received in order to prepare certificates of achievement. If your child does not have their passport in school, their hours will not be counted until the next passport count visit in May.

Mother's Day Shop - Thank You

Thank you so much to parents/carers for your generosity in donations for our Mother's Day Shop. We received a lovely range and CSA members purchased additional gifts so that every year group had an excellent choice. On Thursday lunchtime the children thoroughly enjoyed choosing their gift and a very busy team of CSA volunteers wrapped presents at great pace! Many thanks to CSA members and parents who came to run the event, it is greatly appreciated.



Reading Challenge

On Friday, we presented another 25 certificates to children who have already completed their first challenge card, representing five hours of reading. Children have all brought home their 'All Creatures Great and Small' Reading Challenge card. When the children read at home over the coming weeks, **please could you continue to sign your child's reading diary and also sign the reading challenge card too**. When children have achieved 5 hours of reading they will receive a certificate and after 10 hours they will receive a further certificate and small prize. There is no rush to achieve the reading challenge - the main aim is that children enjoy their reading.



Monday 1st April - Robinwood Information

Meeting: We hope Year 5 parents and children will be able to join us for a short meeting at 6pm so we can provide information about our planned residential visit and answer any questions you may have.

Year 6 Morning Revision and Breakfast

Our Year 6 morning revision and breakfast sessions continue on Wednesday mornings. All children in Year 6 are welcome to attend to undertake revision using materials provided by the school.

The expectation is that children who have signed up will attend the session every week. Toast and juice will be provided. The remaining dates of the sessions are as follows: 3rd April, 10th April, 1st May and 8th May. The original letter sent out is available on the 'Letters' page of the website.

Easter Disco

Our School Disco is **from 3.30-5pm on Thursday 4th April**. Tickets can be purchased from the school office and cover the entrance fee, a drink and a bag of crisps. Sweets and raffle tickets will be on sale. Any contributions of items for the children's disco raffle will be very gratefully received.

Please note the starting time of 3.30pm. We hope you will find this helpful as the children attending will go straight to the disco at the end of the day and will only need collecting by an adult at 5pm. This will save parents several journeys to and from school.

We know that children enjoy wearing their own clothes for the disco. To give as much flexibility as we can, further to the information sent out in the original letter last week, we are inviting **all children to come to school in non-uniform on Thursday**, whether they wish to attend the disco after school or not. This means children can come to school wearing clothes that they can then attend the disco in. If your child wishes to change just before the end of the day, owing to the nature of their preferred disco outfit, then this is also fine

- just send your child with their disco clothes in a bag.

At the end of the disco, please walk down to the main school entrance door. Children will come out to find their adult and we will keep children with us until every child is collected.

CSA News

Coppers for Copley - Children are invited to continue to bring in their coppers (1p and 2p coins only) for their class jar up to Easter when the initiative ends. The children then count their savings and the CSA kindly matches the total for each class. The children then have the fun of deciding how they wish to spend their savings.

CSA Family Bingo Evening - CSA members are holding a Family Bingo event on **Thursday 11th April**. Children may attend straight from 3.30pm in the care of our staff to be collected at 4.30pm or you are warmly welcomed to attend as a family group. Further details will be sent out via ParentPay next week.

CSA Meeting - Our next CSA meeting is at 2pm on Wednesday 10th April. Everyone is welcome as we plan our next CSA events.

Cross Country Club

We are looking to offer our popular cross country club once again as we prepare to enter the annual Cross Country Championships in May.

Miss Hull, our P.E. subject leader, is offering four lunchtime training sessions, which are open to everyone in school, and she will select the team following these.

A letter will be sent home next week, so please sign and return the reply slip if your child would like to take part.

Eco News

Yorkshire Wildlife Trust

Many thanks to Kat from the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, who visited school this week to help Year 3 and Year 4 eco-councillors to plant eight new saplings at the edge of the meadow. The eco councillors worked hard to dig the holes to plant our new saplings and were so careful to remove worms to a place of safety!



Great British Spring Clean

From 22nd March up to the Easter holidays we will be having a focus on ensuring our school grounds are litter free. We have strong gardening gloves and litter pickers so we can safely pick up any litter, under the supervision of teachers on duty and the help of our caretaker Mr Walker. Thank you for the information kindly sent to us by one of our parents. It has been lovely to see so many children from each class volunteering during their break times.



Street Dance Club - Well done!

Street Dance club had their final session for the term on Thursday. Thank you to parents who joined us at 4.20pm to see a couple of snippets of routines they have been working on. It was lovely to see the confidence and enthusiasm of the children!

Thank You to the Methodist Church Godly Play Team

The lovely people from Godly Play have visited Year 4 twice in school and we have also visited the Methodist Church twice this term. During the visit this week they focused on the story of Easter and the children thoroughly enjoyed participating in the craft activities. We love visiting the Methodist Church and are always made so welcome!



Year 6 Visit to Crucial Crew

Our annual Year 6 'Crucial Crew' visit enables our Year 6 pupils to work with South Yorkshire Police to learn more about the rule of law and the rights and responsibilities of people in society. This included taking on the roles in a courtroom scenario and visiting a prison cell!

Children also took part in sessions about road safety and travelling safely on public transport; emergency first aid; internet safety and fire safety. The children showed great interest in the visit, with one of the

children telling me,' "It was one of the best visits ever!"



Joyeuses Pâques

Year 5 pupils have kept in touch with our French penfriends at St Joseph in Carquefou by sending them an Easter card and we enjoyed receiving a large package of Easter cards in return this week. Our pen friends write to us in French so this helps us to develop our French language skills.



Madame Normand has visited Copley on two occasions and she has kindly invited our Year 5 teachers to visit St Joseph School in Carquefou. Our Year 5 teachers will spend two days at St Joseph School as we close for the May half term break so they can develop the cultural focus study that is being planned, they will lead teaching presentations to classes at St Joseph and will also teach Year 5 via Skype. The visit (self-financed by the teachers with no cost to our school budget) will bring many benefits to our modern foreign language provision.

Community News

Come along and join, it is great fun!

Doncaster Recorder Ensembles

(For musicians from 6 to 18 Years)

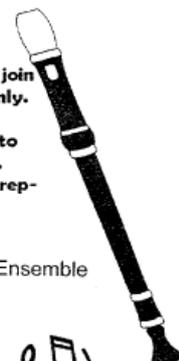
This friendly and welcoming group invite you to join them on Thursdays starting at 4:10 term time only.

- We have four groups ranging from Beginners to Advanced with Mentor support for Beginners.
- There are three concerts per year with a wide repertoire including film music, Disney, musicals, popular, TV theme, Shows and period music.

For more information about joining The Recorder Ensemble please see contact details listed below:-

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Director myvanwysmith
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Dinner Money Increase

We have been informed that Doncaster Meals Service is increasing the cost of a school meal by 5p a day to **£2.55 from 1st April**. This still represents excellent value for money. New summer menus will be shared shortly.

Best wishes,
E.A. Crayton

Head teacher