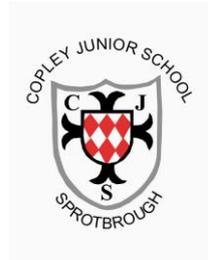




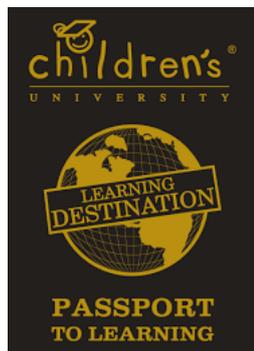
Copley Junior School Newsletter



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It has been a busy week in school, with a number of events:

- **Children's University Count:** Thank you to everyone who brought their passport on Monday. Our link tutor has counted all the hours and we have presented a huge number of certificates. A special mention to **Matilda R** in Year 6 - she is the second Copley pupil ever to achieve the highest possible award of the **Gold Fellowship**, representing **1000 hours** of extra-curricular learning. Wow! Our final passport count is on Tuesday 21st May. All children who have achieved at least 30 hours this school year will be invited to the graduation event in July.
- **School Disco:** Thank you to everyone who attended the spring term disco. As always, children enjoyed the disco, refreshments and the raffle. Many thanks to staff and parents who helped to make the event such a success.
- **Year 5 Robinwood Meeting:** Our planned residential visit to Robinwood provides such a wide range of opportunities to take part in outdoor and adventurous activities. Thank you to parents and children who attended our information session on Monday.



The information booklet is available on the home page of the website at: <http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/> Please ensure payments towards the cost of the visit are made via ParentPay and that the home-school agreement and pupil information form are returned to school by Friday 12th April.

Diary Dates w.c. 8.4.19

Mon 8th April - Pearl class visit to St Mary's Church for an 'Easter Experience' workshop 1-3pm

Tues 9th April - Opal class visit to St Mary's Church for an 'Easter Experience' workshop 1-3pm

Tues 9th April at 2.45pm - Year 5 parent express. We hope Year 5 parent/relatives will be able to join us to see what the children have been learning!

Tues 9th April - Our lunch time cross country club starts. Please return the reply slip if your child would like to take part.

Wed 10th April - Y6 morning revision and breakfast from 8am.

Wed 10th April - Y3 special celebration and party afternoon (see below).

Wed 10th April - CSA meeting at 2 pm.

Thurs 11th April at 2.45pm - Year 3 parent express. We hope Year 3 parent/relatives will be able to join us for an exciting afternoon of learning.

Fri 12th April - whole school visit to St Mary's Church for our Easter Service. As the children will almost fill the church, we are unfortunately unable to invite all parents to this event on this occasion. We will have space for about ten parents, so if

you would like to join us please let the school office know, and we will say 'yes please' to the first ten parents! We set off for St Mary's at 2pm and will be back in school for the end of the school day.

Don Valley Arts Festival Success

Once again, Copley Junior pupils have been successful at the Don Valley Arts Festival. Miss Passant, our art subject leader, entered a number of art pieces from our talented pupils on the theme of 'At the Park' and these were displayed in the exhibition this weekend.

Well done to our two winners:

- Lacey who was the winner of the 8 years and under competition
- Gracie D who was placed 2nd for the 9-13 age category

Pictured is a very proud Lacey with her shield, presented to her by judge Michael Fowler, landscape and seascape artist.



Year 3 Special Celebration and Party Afternoon

As many parents will know, one of our Year 3 pupils, Abigail L, has been undergoing treatment for leukaemia for the last two years.

The great news is that Abigail has now completed her treatment and her family have enjoyed a very special occasion when Abigail rang the bell at the hospital in Sheffield to mark this.

At Copley, we would like to arrange a celebration also. We would like to mark the end of treatment for Abigail, who has shown such cheerful determination and perseverance through this difficult time, and also to say thank you to her friends in Year 3 who have given her such fantastic support.

On **Wednesday 10th April** we are planning to hold an afternoon Year 3 party of traditional party games, with light refreshments of jelly and ice cream. **Children attending the party are invited to wear non uniform for the full day.** A small number of Year 4 children have been invited to attend the party with sister Isobel and three Year 5 pupils, so cousin Luke can attend with two of his friends.

At 3pm Abigail and a small group of friends and family will be attending St Mary's Church and ringing the bell there.

Following this, the ringers at St Mary's will be treating the local community to a quarter peal (the method they will be ringing is called Oxford Treble Bob Minor!) to mark the occasion from 3.15pm-4pm so that we are all able to hear this at the end of the school day.

Reading Challenge

On Friday, we presented another 20 certificates to children who have already completed their first challenge card, representing five hours of reading. 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.

Themed Reading Collection

Our new collection of 65 titles, on the theme of 'All Creatures Great and Small', has proved to be very popular. As soon as books have been returned to our central display, they have been borrowed again.

In the first four weeks, the books were read an amazing 343 times so our reading initiative has had great impact!

Please could all children return their book to the central display once they have finished reading it. We will now collect the books in, check they have all been returned and then they will be distributed between the year group book shelves to add to our stock of independent reading books.



Archery Club - Well done!

Archery club had their final session for the term on Friday. All participants received a certificate and well done to Owen F, Emma H and Jenson O, who all received a medal for the highest points achieved over the course of the training sessions.

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 have been sent out via ParentPay and a copy of the letter, as always, is on the 'Letters' page of the website.

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

Dinner Money Increase

Doncaster Meals Service increased 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 available next week.

Easter Holiday Club

Our popular Scotty's Heroes is taking bookings for their Easter Holiday Club at Copley Junior from 15th-19th April. Please visit our website at:

<http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/learning/extra-curricular>

to see pictures of their previous holiday clubs. The advert for the Holiday Club is available on our Twitter (@CopleyJunior) and on the 'Letters' page of the website.

Best wishes,
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