



School News from Copley Junior School



May 2019

International Schools Award

We are very proud to share that Copley Junior has been awarded a national accreditation, the Foundation Level of the International School Award.

Our application against the national criteria for the International School Award was externally assessed by the British Council. Our assessor commented:
"Copley Junior School is clearly committed to developing an international dimension in its curriculum, as is demonstrated on its excellent international page on its website. You have demonstrated an excellent start in promoting the international dimension across your school and highlighting the benefits of learning in a global context. Your commitment to extending and embedding internationalism in your curriculum is a valuable aspect of your school ethos. A pen pal exchange will have given your pupils a real purpose to their French learning. Congratulations, and good luck in your continuing international journey!"



We look forward to continuing to develop our international links and our valued link with St Joseph in Carquefou, Nantes. Pictured below are Copley and St Joseph pupils exchanging Easter cards and letters.



Civic Mayor Award for the Mini Life Coaches

We are very proud to share that our Year 6 Mini Life Coaches have been awarded the Civic Mayor's 'Make a Difference School Award', out of 93 nominations from schools across Doncaster.

Our Year 6 Mini Life Coaches provide peer mentoring across school and they have been very successful in leading lunchtime workshops on a variety of themes: meditation and relaxation; mindfulness colouring; outdoor teamwork fun and creative crafts. The feedback from the children who have attended (65% of our school community, 130 children) shows what great impact the workshops have had. Please visit the Mini Life Coaches website page to find out more at: <http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/our-community/mini-life-coaches>

We were very proud to attend the celebration event at the Mansion House and to see our award being presented to one of our Mini Life Coaches by the Civic Mayor, Councillor Majid Khan.



Don Valley Arts Festival

We entered a number of art pieces from our talented pupils and were pleased that they were selected for the exhibition of art.

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.





Board Games Fun

As part of their 'Alchemy Island' creative learning project, Year 5 children designed and made board games, writing clear and succinct rules. The hall was filled with laughter and challenge as parents/carers and grandparents were invited to play the games. Super work Year 5!



We look forward to sharing more school news next month.

Best wishes,

E.A. Crayton
Head teacher