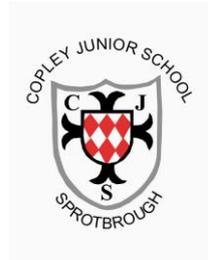




# Copley Junior School Newsletter



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## Summer Issue of the 'Copley Chronicle'

Many thanks to Miss Blades-Baker who has coordinated the work of our pupil journalists in order to produce the latest issue of our termly school newspaper, the 'Copley Chronicle'.

I am sure you will agree that our team of young journalists have done an excellent job!



The 'Copley Chronicle' can be found on the 'School Newspaper' page of the website at:

<http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/news-and-events/copley-chronicle>

We have also sent out the newspaper through the weekly newsletter email system.

## Year 6 Graduation Evening

Our Year 6 Graduation Evening was a lovely event. All our Year 6 leavers were presented with their graduation certificate and our annual awards were presented:

**English Award 2019:** Jamie T and Emily F

**Maths Award 2019:** Grace L and Charlotte N

**Science Award 2019:** Neve R and Domas L

**Sports Award 2019:** Connie M

**Siddall Sports Trophy 2019:** Haashir N



## **Arts Award 2019:** Zoe L and Afreen N

The Head teacher's Award is given in recognition of the demonstration of the key learner values which we hold dear at Copley Junior School. These include academic endeavour, cheerfulness, getting fully involved in school life, integrity, showing a good example to and caring for others and enjoying all that the school offers.

## **Head teacher's Award 2019:** Omar K and Amelia F

Following the Graduation Ceremony, we enjoyed the informal part of the evening - a hog roast, refreshments and many opportunities for photographs!



A full gallery of photos is available on the website at:

<http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/news-and-events/school-events/year-6-graduation>

There is also a quick link on the home page under our 'Latest Additions' section.

### [CSA Graduation Photo Booth](#)

Many thanks to the CSA who funded the cost of a photo booth to make the Year 6 graduation even more special. Children (and staff!) really enjoyed using the props to create some memorable photos! **The link to download all the Copley photos is available on the Year 6 Graduation website page (see the link above).** The link will no longer function on 25th July, so please view the photos if you wish to before this date.



### [Year 6 SATS Results](#)

We are very proud of our children in Year 6. All the children, without exception, have worked incredibly hard during the year and all have made truly excellent progress from their individual starting points. The headlines of our 2019 SATS results are shared below (EXS=expected standard; GD=working at greater depth):

Reading (EXS) = 88% (National 2019=73%)  
Reading (GD) = 40% (National 2018=28%)

Writing (EXS) = 98% (National=78%)  
Writing (GD) = 48% (National 2018=20%)

SPAG (EXS) = 98% (National=78%)  
SPAG (GD) = 67% (National 2018=34%)

Maths (EXS) = 85% (National=79%)  
Maths (GD) = 42% (National 2018=24%)

Science (EXS and above) = 96%  
(National=83%)

So many of our Y6 children have flourished socially as well as academically, have demonstrated enthusiasm towards their learning and have been actively involved in so many aspects of school life. I am sure they will continue to flourish at the secondary schools they have chosen to attend. We send our very best wishes for the future to all of them.

### [House Point Awards](#)

This week we have awarded many house point certificates and badges. As children collect house points through their time at Copley for good work, effort, politeness and helpfulness they progress through our house point reward system: a certificate then badges - bronze, silver, gold, special award and Head teacher's award. Our final award is a trophy and this year we have awarded a record number of these to pupils in Year 6. Well done to everyone.



### Happy Birthday to Copley

This week we celebrated Copley's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday party. We had a lovely birthday 'lunch in a bag' provided by our kitchen team and it was great to see children chatting and relaxing as they enjoyed their lunch.



Thank you to CSA members as they kindly designed and funded a commemorative gift for each child - a keyring with a torch function. The children loved them!



The CSA also organised a 'thank you' gift to Mrs Taylor in the school office and a 40<sup>th</sup> birthday cake. Mrs Taylor is pictured below with our youngest and oldest pupil in school.



A gallery of photos is shared on the CSA page of the website at:

<http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/our-community/csa>

You will need to scroll down the page to see the gallery. The CSA page shares so many successful events this year!

### Summer Term Governor Newsletter

We are very fortunate to have such skilled, committed and involved governors at Copley Junior. The Governing Body sends out a termly newsletter to share an overview of their work. This has been sent out through the newsletter system and it is also available via the website at:

<http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/our-community/governing-body/governor-news>

### Summer Term Standards and Effectiveness Partner Monitoring Visit

We provide a very vibrant curriculum, with many opportunities for learning across all curriculum subjects. Development of the curriculum was a key focus for our recent Standards and Effectiveness Partner monitoring visit. Key highlights from the report are shared on the governor newsletter.

To find out more about the teaching of our curriculum, there is plenty of information on our website, with dedicated subject pages so you can see what learning happens in science, history, geography, DT, art, music etc.

### [CSA Coppers for Copley](#)

Thank you once again to our fantastic CSA, who have done so much to support the school and pupils this year. We have seen so many successful events which have been enjoyable in themselves and we are very grateful for the fund raising aspects which have supported us in the purchase of many things, including new laptops. We are now saving up for the very considerable cost of new SmartScreen technology for the classrooms.

**Coppers for Copley** - The children have loved choosing what to spend their 'savings' on, with the CSA generously doubling the savings of each class. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 had all saved enough to put in an agreed amount of their money to fund an outdoor activity day, which included a 300m bouncy obstacle course, assault course, shelter building, team building exercise, laser shoot out and camouflage exercises and, at the request of children, nail painting and face painting! The rest of their savings was spent on class treats.

Coppers for Copley helps children understand that saving just a little money regularly can help you save up quite a good amount of money to spend as you wish. If you don't save, you can't spend it!



As Year 6 had more modest savings, they spent their money separately on a pyjama, blankets/pillows, movie and snacks session - greatly deserved after all their hard work this year.

More photos of the Coppers for Copley day will be shared in due course via the website.

### [Diary Dates](#)

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** - School closed for staff training and development.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** - School opens.

All holiday dates and training day dates for next year are available on the website calendar, which is posted on the home page of our website. Please note that the government has moved the traditional May Day bank holiday next year. Instead of the bank holiday and school closure being on the Monday, school will be closed on the national bank holiday date of **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May, in order to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day**. We will be planning school events to mark this important anniversary.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September** - Y5 visit to the National Space Centre

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September** - Mrs Henfield's class visit to Murton Park (WW2)

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September** - Miss Hull's class visit to Murton Park (WW2)

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September** - Y3 visit to the John Bull Rock Factory

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September** - Y4 visit to Murton Park (Vikings)

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019** - CSA AGM at 6.45pm with everyone welcome as we review last year's events, plan our events for 2019-2020 and elect to the CSA roles

**Please could you ensure that payments for visits are made via ParentPay over the summer break.**

### Extreme Reading

Please could you send in a photo of your child reading a book somewhere unusual! Be creative as to where your photo is taken - on the beach, sitting in a wheelbarrow, sitting on a slide/trampoline/swing etc. If you want to, you may digitally alter your photo so you appear to be reading on the Moon etc!

In September, we would like children to bring in their photograph, with their name on the back and the title and author of the book they were reading. We plan to display lots of the photos around school for the children to enjoy and to provide suggestions for books to enjoy.



### Summer Reading Activity

We have sent home a letter about our summer holiday reading activity. During the first week back in September we would like the children to tell their teachers and classmates all about a book they love. Class time will be allocated for children to complete a piece of work about their favourite book. Children will have choice over how they approach this e.g. writing a character description; creating a fact file about a subject of interest using information from non-fiction books; creating a page for a factual book on an area of interest etc.

During the summer holiday, children are also invited to prepare a short extract of their book to read out loud or perform to their class during the first week back at school. This is a voluntary home learning task, however, every child who participates will be entered in a raffle to win a prize!

Copies of the 'Extreme Reading' and 'Summer Reading Activity' letters are available on our 'Letters' page at:

<http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/news-and-events/letters>

### Doncaster Summer Reading Challenge

Doncaster Libraries are running a summer holiday reading challenge. It is free to join and children who read six books over the holiday can claim their 'Space Chase' medal. Children who complete this challenge may add 6 hours to their Children's University passport too for us to sign once children return to school.



### Reading Raffle

If your child reads at least four times a week, and this is signed by an adult in their reading diary, they are given a raffle ticket for our reading reward raffle. Some children earn a raffle ticket every week, which is great to see.

One name is drawn for each class each half term and the children have the fun of choosing a new book to read and keep. It is very pleasing to see so many children choosing their reward over the course of the year.



### House Point Gift Cards

Each half term five children in each class with the most house points are entered into the year group reward raffle to receive a gift card. Well done to the year group winners this half term:

Year 3 - Max B

Year 4 - Bailey M

Year 5 - Hannah H

Year 6 - Scarlett L

### Attendance Rewards

Well done to 64 children who were presented with 100% attendance certificates for the summer term. Also, well done to two children who have achieved Super Star attendance rewards and to 32 children who have achieved 100% attendance for the full academic year 2018-2019. These children all received a gift card from the governors. Let's work together to make attendance even better next year!

### School Uniform

As many parent/carers will be thinking about getting uniform for children ready for September I wanted to remind you of our uniform requirements to avoid any misunderstanding or further cost:

- A white long sleeve or short sleeve shirt or blouse (not polo shirts)
- Black trousers (**trousers should be a standard 'straight leg' school trouser fit - i.e. not leggings, jeans-style or 'skinny' fit**)
- Black skirt, pinafore dress or culottes (**just above knee length**)
- Shorts (**just above knee length**)
- A red V neck sweatshirt jumper or sweatshirt cardigan
- The school tie (available from Cliffs and the school office)
- Black shoes, sandals (**not trainers or boots; summer sandals must have toes covered as open-toed sandals are not suitable to wear at school**)
- White, grey or black socks/opaque tights
- During the Summer term red checked dresses may be worn

The school P.E. kit consists of:

- White polo shirt
- Black shorts/leotard
- Trainers (non logo brands)
- Track suit (non branded, no logos)

**And Finally!** - This year has been another very successful year at Copley Junior, with so many enjoyable events to enhance your child's learning and a commitment by all to our continued drive towards excellence across all aspects of the school's provision. I am very grateful to our dedicated staffing team, our enthusiastic children and supportive parents/carers and governors. I hope everyone has a lovely summer holiday and we look forward to welcoming the children back into school on **Tuesday 3rd September**.

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Head teacher