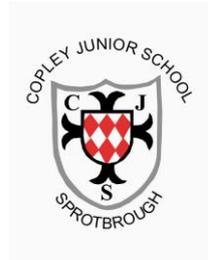




# Copley Junior School Newsletter



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## World Book- Day

Thank you so much to everyone for your support for our World Book Day celebrations. The children (and staff!) looked fabulous in their book character/animal themed costumes and they enjoyed joining the catwalk in our celebration assembly to showcase their costumes. A full gallery is posted on the website at: <http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/learning/curriculum/english-curriculum/world-book-day> As always, there is a quick link on the home page of the website.



## New Books - 'All Creatures Great and Small' Themed Collection

We have purchased a fantastic range of **60 new books** for children on their chosen theme of 'All Creatures Great and Small' with a good selection of fiction, non-fiction and poetry books. Children are invited to borrow these books to read at home and then to return them to school and our central display for someone else to enjoy. Each book has a review slip inside the jacket

so that children can see who has read the book and read their short review.

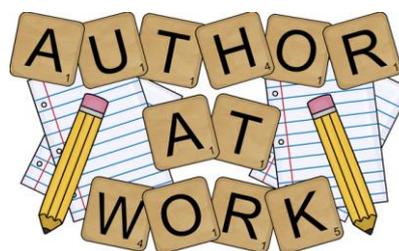


Our themed collection, with space on the display for our competition winning entries

## World Book Day Competition

Mrs Henfield has launched a poetry competition on our World Book Day theme of 'All Creatures Great and Small'. The letter has sent home and a copy is available on the 'Letters' page of the website at: <http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/news-and-events/letters>

This is a national poetry competition being organised by [youngwriters.co.uk](http://youngwriters.co.uk) Mrs Henfield will select a winner from each year group who will win a prize and she will forward entries for the national competition. The closing date for competition entries is **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March**.



### Book Swap

Thank you to all the children who took part in our book swap. In total, 147 titles were brought into school and children really enjoyed browsing and choosing their new book to take home.



### Launch of Reading Challenge

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, children 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 small prize.



### Parent-Teacher Meetings

We very much hope that **all** parents/carers will be able to attend a Parent-Teacher meeting for you to discuss your child's progress and to look at their school work so far this year. Some parents have already had appointments, so thank you to parents who have already met with teachers.

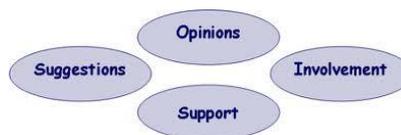
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 - 6pm**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 - 6pm**

Please ensure that you make an appointment with your child's class teacher. If the date and time of the appointment are not convenient, please contact your child's teacher to make another, mutually convenient appointment time. Appointment times are limited to ten minutes to enable teachers to meet with all parents over two evenings, so please make a separate appointment if you require a longer consultation.

**Please note, as detailed in the original letter, there are no after school clubs running on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March owing to Parents' Evenings.**

## Parent Forum



Our next Parent Forum meeting will be held at 2.15-3.15pm on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.**

Agenda items will include:

- review of the most recent parent maths presentations and plans for the summer term workshops
- school website and quick links to year group specific information, as suggested by Parent Forum members
- the school's work to promote e-safety and how we can share e-safety information with parents

### CSA News

**Matchbox Cram** - Please could any remaining competition entries and sponsor sheets be returned to school by **Monday 11<sup>th</sup>** at the latest. Thank you to everyone who took part; we have some very imaginative and creative entries to judge.

**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.

### Mother's Day Shop

This is a very enjoyable CSA event, which has been very successful in previous years.

On **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**, children who have purchased a ticket (see details below) are able to choose a gift for their mother/carer and CSA members will wrap it so that the child can then write the label and be ready to take their gift home at the end of the day.

Tickets cost **£2.50** and are available to buy via ParentPay until **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at the latest**.

For the event to be a great success, we would greatly appreciate donations of new small gift items from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - the children really enjoy purchasing teddies and chocolates as well as toiletries (no glass bottles please).



### E-Safety Competition Winners

We received some very creative entries for our E-Safety competition to design a poster to share the SMART e-safety rules, organised and led by our Year 5/6 Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. The entries pictured

are displayed in school and our overall winners received a fantastic 92 piece art set as their prize.



If you would like guidance about how to protect your child's online safety at home, including parent guides about popular apps and games, please visit our website at: <http://www.copley.doncaster.sch.uk/day-by-day/e-safety>

### Diary Dates

#### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Class Photographs

Please could all children be wearing their full school uniform, including jumper and tie, for their class photo. Children may want to bring a brush/comb for pre-photo preparation!

#### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 Express

Year 4 have really enjoyed their creative learning project on the Romans and are looking forward to sharing their learning with you at their express event.

Parents/carers and relatives are warmly invited to join us at **2.45pm on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March**.

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March - Comic Relief Day

Miss Tierney has consulted with the School Council about what they would like to organise for Comic Relief. The School Council's theme is shared in their poster below:



The Crazy Hair competition will be judged by members of School Council and Miss Tierney. Prizes for the most crazy, creative hair will be given during Friday's afternoon assembly.

*from the School Council*



### Parking

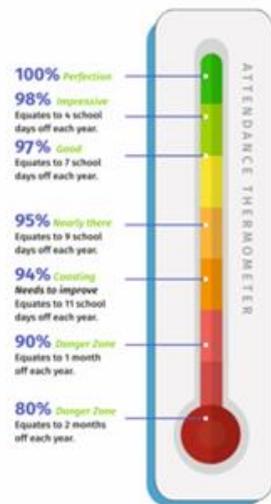
Please help us to ensure all children stay safe by taking the greatest of care when parking and driving around school at the start and end of the school day. We have been informed of a **very dangerous 'near miss'** last week when children were walking along the pavement and a car parked in the area outside the Country Club mounted the kerb and crossed the pavement just where children were walking.

- Please only enter and leave the Country Club parking area where

there is a dropped kerb for this purpose.

- Please ensure that children always have the right of way. Children should be safe walking along the pavement. Please do not move your car until children have passed. This may delay parents by a few moments but this could save a child's life.
- No parking is permitted in the staff car park and no children should ever be crossing the staff car park in the interests of everyone's safety.

### Attendance



School attendance target = 97.8%	
Pearl	98.3%
Opal	96.6%
Aquamarine	97.8%
Emerald	98.5%
Topaz	97.1%
Diamond	86.0%
Amethyst	98.8%
Jet	98.3%
Weekly average attendance for the school = 96.7%	

This was a very low week for attendance, so hopefully rest over the weekend will bring better health for children next week.

Best wishes,  
E.A. Crayton  
Head teacher