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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

The Christmas holidays are here! I hope that you have enjoyed our many Christmas performances and events - the children have worked very hard and certainly deserved all the acclaim they received.

Many thanks to FoCHS for arranging some splendid Panto visits as well as Father Christmas and his reindeer and the Christmas Gift Shop.

Our Chess Club pupils fought hard in their matches this term with Louis becoming our Autumn Term Chess Champion. Well played Louis, it was a nail biting match against Charlie that clinched the title.

Thank you to everyone for your kind donations for our Christmas Jumper Day - we raise £365.57 for the charity Samaritan's Purse.

I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Kind regards

Kaye Lovejoy

Lesley Elder

Mrs Elder has been with the Oak-Tree Group for 19 years. She has been both a parent and a member of staff, so it is with mixed emotions that she is retiring as the Group's IT Manager this term.

Mrs Elder has always been a most supportive and helpful member of staff and we shall all miss her greatly. However, she is taking on a new role as owner of 'Tea Amo' in Saffron Walden. Do pop in and enjoy some tasty cakes and a drink if you are nearby.

Good luck Mrs Elder!





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Christmas Tree Festival

Over 40 children, adorned in festive hats and antler ears, performed at St John's Church in Epping on Saturday. With a large audience of parents and guests the magic of Christmas was ever-present and we were so proud of our children who sang so beautifully.

Year 2C Visit 'Crick's Shop'



Year 2 Crick have enjoyed learning about money in class this term. They used their knowledge of addition to create totals to buy different items from 'Crick's Shop' and finished the lesson with a fun game of quiz, quiz, trade.

Everyone really enjoyed the lesson.



House Points Autumn Term	Beech	Chestnut	Oak	Willow
Points	1108	1113	838	900
Position	2nd	1st	4th	3rd

Many congratulations to Chestnut who are our winners for this term. Well done to you all!

ISA National Swimming Gala

On Saturday 1 December Kimaya represented the London North Area Swimming team in the ISA National Swimming Gala, held at the London Aquatics Centre.

Kimaya was swimming as part of the Year 6 Girls freestyle relay team. She performed brilliantly and although the team finished outside of the medal positions, they should all be proud of their achievements in reaching the finals.

Thank you to Kimaya for her effort and determination and for representing our school so well. Thank you also to her parents for taking and supporting her on what is a very long and exhausting day. From a personal point of view it is always a pleasure to watch one of our pupils compete at the highest level in such a prestigious event.

Mr Robinson



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Social Networking



Website

Go to the School Calendar page for upcoming events and our News page for all the latest news and lots more photos.



App

Keep up to date with the latest news, calendar dates, and much more by downloading the Coopersale Hall School App for your phone or tablet.



Instagram

Follow us on Instagram for regular photo updates! Search for **coopersalehsch** to find us, then click follow.



Twitter

Follow us @CoopersaleHSch on Twitter to get regular updates.



Facebook

Facebook is our newest form of Social Media. Like us on Facebook to get news, photos, events and updates posted straight to your newsfeed.

Reception's Trip to Epping High Street

Pupils in Reception Gowland and Reception Rooks enjoyed their recent trip to Epping High Street where they had the opportunity to take a tour of the shops and to talk to some of the shopkeepers about the different types of foods they sold.



They particularly had fun looking at the wide range of exotic and unusual fruits and vegetables on display in the greengrocers, as well as asking questions about the most popular items on sale at the butchers and the Grape Tree health store.

At the final stop at Greggs, the children were able to take back to school a scrumptious collection of cakes and buns which they all enjoyed sharing. The morning's visit certainly helped consolidate the children's learning linked to their focus topic 'Foods and Festivals', and helped them to gain a further understanding of locally produced foods within their community.



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Topic Work in Reception Classes

As part of their Autumn Term topic 'Food and Festivals', pupils in Reception Gowland and Reception Rooks had the opportunity to learn about Japanese food and culture.

During the afternoon, the children enjoyed listening to a Japanese story that compared differences between what children in Japan ate and what they celebrated at different times of the year. The children

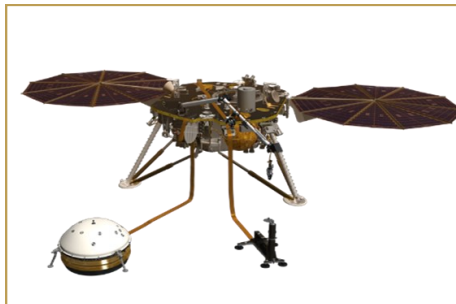
were also able to enjoy tasting some speciality Japanese food called "Hosomaki" which were small rolls made out of sushi rice as well as some Edamame Soy beans, which are a type of vegetable.



The children were also able to take home some Japanese biscuits to enjoy over the weekend! A very special thank you to Mrs Simons for sharing some interesting facts and information about this fascinating country with the children.

Upper Kindergarten Baker lands on Mars!

On Saturday 5 May NASA launched 'InSight'. Along with all the scientific equipment that will carry out lots of experiments on the surface of Mars, it also carries a small 'chip', with over 2 million names etched onto it. One of the names is 'Upper Kindergarten Baker'!



InSight travelled at 6,200 miles per hour and took 6 months to get to Mars, landing on 26 November.

We have enjoyed learning about Mars and look forward to seeing more photographs. Here is a picture of 'InSight' and a photograph that it has sent back from Mars.



Save Your Stamps!

By saving used stamps from envelopes (UK and Foreign stamps) you can help save the Albatross, a magnificent seabird which soars above the seas in the southern hemisphere. Many species are endangered due to fishing practices, which result in bycatch and drowning of the birds.

Fortunately, the environmental charity Birdlife International, working with our own RSPB, is helping fishing boats to prevent these unnecessary deaths with simple equipment.

Please help us by collecting used stamps and leaving them in the school office. They are given to the RSPB who are able to fund the Albatross Project so that these birds can be saved.

Find out more by googling: Donate Used Stamps / Save the Albatross – The RSPB.



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FoCHS Update

It's been a busy couple of weeks for the Friends of Coopersale Hall School and we would like to thank everyone who has given up their valuable time to help us provide the children with some wonderful festive experiences. The Christmas Gift Shop was a great success and we hope that you will enjoy opening the gifts that your children carefully chose for you! Father Christmas and his reindeer were greeted with much excitement, and the reindeer must have eaten enough carrots to last them until Christmas Eve!

Last week, the Hobgoblin pantomime visit for the Early Years, and the coach trip to Harlow Playhouse to see Aladdin for Years 2-6, were both declared resounding successes. Both children and teachers greatly enjoyed the performances.

We are now looking ahead to the next big event in the FoCHS calendar, the Oak-Tree Summer Ball, which will take place on Saturday 18 May. Further details will follow in the new year but please make a note of the date as it promises to be a fantastic evening!

We wish everyone a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you again in the New Year.



Science Awards	W/C 5.11.18	W/C 12.11.18	W/C 19.11.18	W/C 26.11.18 / 3.12.18
Year 1 Allen	Donald MacInnes	Honor Bear	Defne Kaya	River Corbett
Year 1 Burgess	Sofia Holt	Alice Shea	Nevaeh Cleverley	Liliana Wiegelmann
Year 1 Biddle	Oscar De Conti	Noah Booker-Witt	Gregor Crawford	Elena Wiley
Year 2 Crick	Evelyn Leighton	Shaan Sanghera	Delilah Cavendish	Jemima Andrews
Year 2 Daly	Francesca Lancaster	Daniel Wooder	Alexander Bal	Noah Strong + Ruby Jacobs
Year 3 Davis	Luke Gipson	Louis Palas-Smith	Tegan Woolcott	Andres Martinez
Year 3 Wheeler	Aaryan Rattan	Chloe Tetherton	Leila Mushtaq	Oliver Biggs + Ewan Crawford
Year 4 Lane	Nathan Russell	Ahad Majeed	Maria Murphy-Zaleska	Not Awarded
Year 4 Leeks	Jaspreet Chahil	Kobi Cohen	Emily Sharp	Not Awarded
Year 5 Howard	Benjamin Strong	Louis Thornton	Not Awarded	Francesca Faud + Nia Garwood
Year 6 Daines	Kimaya Seewal	Louis Kousoulou	Kenny Faud	Charlie Smith



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Coopersale Hall Charities for Spring Term 2019

The charities Coopersale Hall School are going to support next term are:

Bloodwise - Wood Green Animal Shelter - St. Clare's Hospice

The members of the School Council have worked hard this term, collecting and presenting the opinions of their classes and researching the charities.

The following fund raising events are being planned:

- Teddy Sale for Bloodwise - *Wednesday 16 January 2019*
- Whacky Dress Up Day for Wood Green Animal Shelter - *Tuesday 12 February 2019*
- Book Sale for St. Clare's Hospice - *Thursday 7 March 2019*

Please bring in any teddy bears, soft toys and books that you no longer want as soon as possible. They will be sold to raise funds for our worthy charities. We thank you for your support.

Isabelle Lavery
School Council Secretary

Year 5 Visit to Pelly Court



On Thursday 28 November Year 5 went to Pelly Court (the Evergreen Club) to sing Christmas carols to the elderly people of Epping.

We sang some of the songs from our Christmas production and some carols from our church service.

Isabella and Benjamin sang solos in Calypso Carol and Rishi was King Herod in the King Herod song.

We talked to the Ladies and Gentlemen and they told us about the carols they used to sing. June O'Brien was very kind to us and gave us an advent calendar. We all enjoyed our trip and we hope to return soon.

Millie



Teddy Bear Stall - Wednesday 16 January

Please bring in your second hand teddies and soft toys as soon as possible for our fundraising event. This is being held on Wednesday 16 January. We are raising funds for Bloodwise. There will be teddies for sale at £1 (2nd hand) and £2-£5 for new teddies.



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Year 4 Visit to Wensley House Care Home

On Tuesday 4 December Year 4 went to Wensley House in Epping to sing carols to the elderly who live there. We started off by going on the mini-bus to get to Wensley House. We were given some reindeer ears and a book with all the songs inside of it.

We sang lots of songs. We finished with the songs and then said hello to the elderly people. We all made our way to the other room, where we had some doughnuts. On our way out of Wensley House we had some chocolate and Haribos.



Sorrel

The Sound Collector Year 4

The children in Year 4 have been reading a variety of poetry. They studied 'The Sound Collector' by Roger McGough and used the format to write their own poems in a similar style. First the children went on a collecting sounds walk in our beautiful grounds. They used these sounds in their own poems.

Sound Poem

I walk to school every day and hear the motorway. A girl walked to school dressed in yellow and green she listened to the sounds and admired the beautiful scene.

The screaming of the children, the talking of the teacher, the beep of the buttons like the noise of a creature. The footsteps of the teachers, the chatting of the school girls in the hall, the chattering of the kitchen pans as the cooks pile up the trays. A girls goes home today taking all sounds away. **Salome**

The Sound Collectors

A stranger called this morning dressed all in black and grey, put every sound into a bag and carried them away. The dripping of the tap, the creaking of the door, the flushing of the toilet, the stepping on the floor. The pouring of the water, the crunching of the leaves, the men using the saws, the wind blowing in the trees. The noise of children shouting in the dining hall, the burning of the oven, noises in our school. A stranger called this morning he didn't leave his name, left us only silence life will never be the same. **Ralph**

Year 3 Using Hieroglyphics

Year 3 Davis have been looking at using hieroglyphics in class. Getting to grips with each letter was tricky, but once everyone got the hang of it they used their newfound skills to create beautiful calendars. Each calendar has hieroglyphics of the pupils' name carefully written out.





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The Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

Many children from all the local schools entered the Town Mayor's Christmas Card competition this year. There were some wonderful entries and Nigel Avey, the Mayor said that it had been an extremely difficult decision to decide on a winner.

Three of our pupils, Alice (Reception) Blaise (Year 1) and Abhay (Year 2) were awarded certificates and prizes as runners-up. Congratulations to them!



Abhay Sethi, aged 7
Coopersale Hall School



Blaise Murphy-Zaleska, aged 5
Coopersale Hall School

Oak-Tree Schools Indoor Athletics Tournament

On Friday 30 November Coopersale Hall took part in the Oak-Tree Schools Indoor Athletics Tournament held at the Peter May Sports Centre. Our team took part in running, throwing and jumping events. In the running races both our Girls and Boys teams did brilliantly winning four of the six races.

When all the points had been added up, we found out that both the Boys' and the Girls' teams had come second. This is a great result for the pupils first attempt at what was a completely new set of activities.

Mr Robinson would like to thank all of the pupils for showing such determination and effort. Also a big thank you to all the parents who turned up to cheer the pupils on.



Football League Matches

On Monday 12 November Coopersale Hall School took part in the first Epping and Ongar District Football League matches, held at Shooters Football Centre in North Weald.

Our first match was against a highly skilful and well-organised Epping Primary School team. After going 1-0 down we battled back to lead the match 3-2. It was an excellent match and the final score of Epping Primary 10 Coopersale Hall 4 really did not tell the story of the match. We had a number of chances in the second half and a much closer score was what we deserved.

Our second match was against Moreton School. In this match, we were very dominate right from the first whistle and managed to win the match 16-0.

Mr Robinson would like to thank all of the boys for playing with an excellent team spirit. Also a big thank you to all the parents who turned up to cheer the team on.





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The Something in the Factory - Year 5 Creative Writing

In Year 5, the children have been working hard on improving their story writing skills. Here is an example of a superb story opening by Oscar.

“Don’t press the button!” said a voice worriedly but egging him on at the same time.

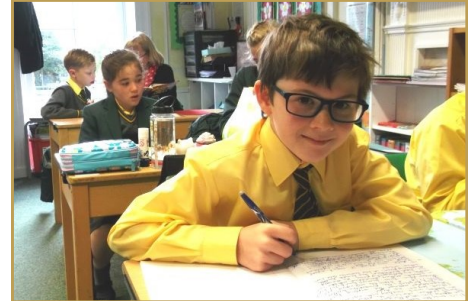
“There’s no other choice!” the other boy said. The button was rusting with age and was embedded in a thick layer of dust.

“Disgusting”, moaned Ted wiping his hand on his t-shirt. He pressed the button. BANG, it blew the wall apart and threw the two boys forcibly back. Ted heard a crack as they smashed into the wall with a terrifying pace. He thought he had broken his back, but the throbbing pain in his humerus told him otherwise.

“I told you that it wasn’t a good idea”, reminded Bill, yet again as Ted’s arm was placed into the cast. “Jeez, give it a rest will you?” he cried exasperatedly.

“But I did”, retorted Bill hotly.

The two boys kept arguing like babies, not knowing that they had inadvertently woken something from its million-year slumber. **Oscar**



Singing Assembly

Many congratulations, thank you and well done to all the children who performed in the singing assembly on Monday 3 December. They really were amazing! I am immensely proud of how they learnt some very challenging lyrics such as in ‘Chitty Chitty Bang Bang’. Well done Riya, Maria, Nancy and Emily for singing solo verses in ‘Those Were the Days’. Well done to Daisy, Millie and Isabella for performing ‘Only You,’ with the most amazing harmonies.

Well done also to Year 2’s for entertaining us with ‘Daisy Daisy’, ‘How Much is that Doggie in the Window,’ and ‘Going to the Zoo!’ Finally they all sang their hearts out with ‘Mama Mia’ and ‘Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer’. **Mrs Hadjipanayi – Singing Teacher**



Football League

On Monday 10 December Coopersale Hall played two football league matches at Shooters Football Centre in North Weald.

In our first match we played against a very well organised and skilful High Ongar team. The final score was 8-5 to High Ongar. In our second match against Epping Upland we started really well. The final score was Epping Upland 6 Coopersale Hall 5.

Mr Robinson would like to thank the boys for playing with such determination and effort. Considering we were missing two players due to sickness and injury, the boys played brilliantly. We would also like to thank all of the parents for turning up to cheer the pupils on.





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Epping Christmas Market Choir 2018

On Friday our Year 2 choir sang on stage at the Epping Christmas Market. The high street was packed with members of the local community, including plenty of Coopersale Hall families.



The choir sang a range of festive songs to help get everyone in the Christmas spirit, Feliz Navidad was a particular favourite! Well done Year 2!



Early Years - A King is Born



Early Years put on a wonderful performance last week to their families to celebrate Christmas. 'A King is Born' followed the nativity story with the help of a selection of festive songs including Jingle Bells.

The children presented their lines confidently and the packed audience was very impressed by their singing voices. Well done to all of the Early Years pupils- a great way to start the Christmas festivities!



Oak-Tree Spelling Bee

Last Thursday the Oak-Tree Spelling Bee was held at Oaklands School. A Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupil from each of the four schools took part. Pupils were called up in Year groups and had to spell out a series of words related to their age group, with the spellings getting trickier as the competition went along. After all 4 rounds, the spellings were marked and the results could be announced.

The winners were as follows:

1st – Coopersale Hall

Joint 2nd – Oaklands and Braeside

3rd – Normanhurst



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Some Very Special Visitors at Coopersale Hall

Last Monday morning, some very special visitors arrived at the school... Santa and his reindeer! Throughout the day, each year group had the chance to go and see Father Christmas and tell him what they want for Christmas. The children were very excited when it was time to say hello to his real life reindeer and sit in the sleigh.

All the pupils then took a trip to the FoCHS gift shop where they could pick out the perfect Christmas present for their families. A huge thank you to the parents' association for arranging the day, everyone had a magical time!



ISA U11 Girls Football Tournament

On Friday 9 November, Coopersale Hall School took part in the ISA London North Area U11 Girls Football Tournament, held at the Power League Centre, in Barnet.

In the first match against Avon House the girls started well winning 5-0. Our second match was against a very strong and well-organised Gatehouse School team this ended 1-1. The girls then started to play some wonderful football with many of the spectators commenting on what a good side they were. We beat St. Marys 3-1, Lyonsdown 6-1, Norfolk House 4-1, King Alfreds 7-0 and finally St. Marys (Hampstead) 1-0.

The Tournament was organised as a festival so no actual final positions were announced, but by looking closely at the results, it was possible to work out that we would have finished third.

Mr Robinson would like to thank all of the girls for playing so well and for really enjoying the tournament. Thank you also to Mrs Strouts who travelled all the way to Barnet to cheer the team on.



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Carol Service

Friends and family gathered at St John's Church in Epping this week to celebrate Christmas with a wonderful Carol Service. The service was lead by Revd Lee Batson who commended the children for such wonderful singing. 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw' followed the Nativity story with a fun twist. The Junior pupils sang songs such as 'O Little Town of Bethlehem' and 'O Come All Ye Faithful'. There was some fantastic, confident group singing and a few lovely solo performances. The audience thoroughly enjoyed it- well done to all of the children involved!



Upper Kindergarten Classes Christmas Craft Sessions

The children were very excited to welcome their Mothers into Upper Kindergarten Classes to make Christmas cards and decorations.

Each child worked very hard with their Mummy, covered the classroom in glitter, and made lots of spectacular creations!





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Merit Badges	W/C 26.11.18	W/C 3.11.18	W/C 10.12.18
Reception Gowland	George Young	Not Awarded	Ralph Hunter
Reception Rooks	Albie Morgan	Grayson Sheen	Ella Simons
Year 1 Allen	Emre Rozgonyuk	Rachel Lundy	Isla Davison
Year 1 Biddle	Noah Booker-Witt	Georgina Moyses	Gregor Crawford
Year 1 Burgess	Elizabeth Whitefield	Liliana Wiegelmann	Not Awarded
Year 2 Crick	Sofya Haque	Sofya Haque	Whole Class
Year 2 Daly	Shae Sanghera	Dexter Wilson	Whole Class
Year 3 Davis	Alina Law	Honor Tomblin-Pugh	Not Awarded
Year 3 Wheeler	Ines Cordwell	Tylan Mighty	Maiya Doyle
Year 4 Lane	Mateus Box	Nieve Greener	Not Awarded
Year 4 Leeks	Kobi Cohen	Sorrel Howard	Not Awarded
Year 5 Howard	Benjamin Strong	Whole Class	Whole Class
Year 6 Daines	Kenny Faud	Jake Gipson	Lucy Harris

FoCHS



A huge thank you to the FoCHS team this year for working so hard to prepare and organise all the festive events.

From beautiful Christmas Raffle Baskets, to making reindeer food and preparing for the Christmas Gift Shop. Christmas at Coopersale Hall would not be the same without your help!



Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year from
Coopersale Hall School!