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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

Welcome to the second half of the Spring Term when we are hoping for some sunnier, drier weather!

Our cross country races had to be re-scheduled, but we have participated in a number of different sporting events.

Thank you to everyone who supported the School Council fundraising for Whittingham Kennels, we raised £205.

Don't forget to check our app, website and Head's Letter to ensure that you don't miss out on the second half term events.

Kind regards

Kaye Lovejoy

Annual Pancake Races 2020

Everyone was very excited for the annual pancake races morning. Each year group had a chance to race and perfect their flipping skills. It was great to see the older pupils helping out the younger children during their races. Thank you to everyone who came to support and cheer the children on, it was such a fun morning!





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House Points Spring Term	Beech	Chestnut	Oak	Willow
Points	415	505	504	503
Position	4th	1st	2nd	3rd

Well done to everyone in Chestnut you are doing really well.

Science Awards	W/C 27.1.20	W/C 3.2.20	W/C 10.2.20
Year 1 Biddle	Not Awarded	Emilia Pughsley	Iman Alam
Year 1 Rooks	Not Awarded	George Stark	India Bal
Year 2 Allen	Sophie Butler	Abigail Fleming	Jack Chaplin
Year 2 Burgess	Donald MacInnes	Rauf Mushtaq	Rachel Lundy
Year 2 Daly	Not Awarded	Aimee Epstein	Jack Barker
Year 3 Crick	Not Awarded	Amelia Green	Not Awarded
Year 3 Graves	Not Awarded	Maxwell Dollery	Not Awarded
Year 4 Bull	Gemma Oliver	Not Awarded	Joseph Iles
Year 4 Lane	Honor Tomblin-Pugh	Not Awarded	Alexander Whitefield
Year 5 Howard	Mollie Dunn	Emily Phillips	Alexander Muratova
Year 5 Newbigging	Nancy McHardy	Riya Soni	Darcy Reuben
Year 6 Leeks	Nia Garwood	Jonathan Edwards	Not Awarded



Year 4 Visit the Roald Dahl Museum

It was a lovely crisp, sunny day when we arrived in Great Missenden and had a walk to the church. We found Roald Dahl's gravestone and a special bench that had been made in honour of his work. From there, we walked back through the quaint High Street to the museum. We had an activity morning where we had to complete various activities which enabled us to learn more about Roald Dahl and how he worked. We also explored the Solo Gallery where we were able to see his writing room complete with chair and all the equipment he



needed to write. We then saw two more galleries and were able to dress up and sit in a replica chair. There was so much information to read and listen to.



After lunch, we had another workshop where we learned how to edit and how to use



nonsense words, just like Roald Dahl. We ended the day by taking a walk back up the High Street. We saw some of the places that inspired his books; the orphanage from the BFG, the petrol pumps from Danny the Champion of the World and the library from Matilda. It was a fantastic day and we all discovered so much about Roald Dahl and also how to improve our own story writing.

Young Shakespeare Company Visit

Key Stage Two children were treated by FOCHS to a wonderful performance of *The Tempest* on Friday 14 February. Five very talented young actors and actresses entertained and educated them for a two-hour long production.

All of the pupils were involved in the acting, making the noise of the storm and playing a range of roles, such as the sailors on the ship, as well as individual characters in the play. The children answered many questions and made valuable suggestions throughout the performance. Well done KS2.

Thank you FOCHS for this special treat.





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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.



YouTube

Subscribe to our YouTube account to watch some of pupils in action in class, during performances, at sports day and more.



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.

Fruit Salad Making in Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed a lovely afternoon learning about different fruits from all over the world. They were shown how to cut, slice and chop fruit to make a fruit salad. They had a wonderful time eating it at the end of the lesson.



“We used 20 different types of fruit during our lesson. My favourites were kiwi, pear, pineapple and watermelon. I also tried pomegranate and pink grapefruit. I did not like the pink grapefruit because it was too sour. The pomegranate was different.

The most exotic fruits came from South Africa. My group put watermelon, pear, apple, banana, orange,



pomegranate, lychee, passion fruit and orange juice into a bowl. The colour of the bowl turned red from the watermelon. The others group’s bowl was orange from the mango. If I made my own fruit salad, I would use pear, kiwi, banana, pineapple, lychee, strawberries, watermelon and red currants and some orange juice. I really enjoyed this fun lesson.” **By Honor**

Year 2 Daly Class Assembly



Year 2 Daly had a fun musical called 'Hats Off' for their class assembly on 31 January. The children loved all their different acting, singing and speaking parts as various animals on a farm.



The storyline was based around the four seasons and was all about a pony called Apple who found a lovely summer hat that she wanted to wear all year round.

Geography in Year 4



For our rivers study in geography, Year 4 took a walk down Flux's Lane to look at the stream. Due to the recent heavy rain, the water level was high and we could see which way the stream was flowing and we followed its



meander.

We also spotted a man made dam which causes a mini waterfall and a part of the stream that had been built up with metal banks to stop it flooding. We tracked its path under the road and followed it to where it was joined by another tributary.

We discussed the fact that the stream will flow into the River Roding, then into the River Thames and eventually out to sea.





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Merit Badges	W/C 3.2.20	W/C 10.2.20	W/C 24.2.20
Reception Gowland	Charlotte Moyses	Margaux Carins	Delilah Dawson
Reception Marks	Felicity Lancaster	Whole Class	Ralph Shirley
Year 1 Biddle	Iman Alam	Saskia Beech	Eva Bhardwaj-Sharp
Year 1 Rooks	Ralph Hunter	George Stark	Rajan Dale
Year 2 Allen	Milo Hunt	Georgina Moyses	Sophie Butler
Year 2 Burgess	Donald MacInnes	Max Wetherell	Ciaran Bick
Year 2 Daly	Nevaeh Cleverley	Alaia-Mai Humes	Thomas Fragos
Year 3 Cricks	Francesca Lancaster	Daniel Wooder	Whole Class
Year 3 Graves	Shaan Sanghera	Sofia Box	Whole Class
Year 4 Bull	Rohan Bhardwaj-Sharp	Joseph Iles	Chloe Tetherton
Year 4 Lane	Max Ling	Annabel Baird	Max Ling
Year 5 Howard	Stanley Wilson	Jack O'Mailley	Not Awarded
Year 5 Newbigging	Sorrel Howard	Nancy McHardy	Emilierose Carroll
Year 6 Leeks	Jaden Cohen	Alexa Stead	Jonathan Edwards

Football League

On Monday 3 February, Coopersale Hall School played two league matches at the Shooters Football Centre in North Weald. Our first match was against a very competitive and well organised St. Andrew's School. We played well and battled hard. The final score was 8—6 to St. Andrew's.

Our second game against Chipping Ongar was an excellent close game. With both teams holding the lead. The final score after an extended period was 7-7.

Mr Robinson would like to thank all of the pupils for their excellent sporting attitude and hard work. Thank you also to the parents who turned up to cheer us on. Our next matches are on Monday 2 March.





Netball Report

“On Wednesday 5 February, the netball team went to Redbridge Sports Centre to play a tournament. We played four teams in total and played two friendly matches at the end.

The first team we played against was St. Mary’s we won 8-4. Next we played against St. Hilda’s, they were a tougher team and unfortunately we lost 3-2. After that, we played against Norfolk House, they were easier than the second team and we won 7-0. Finally, we played against Gateway they were a hard team to beat. In the first half, they were winning 3-1, but in the second half we came back fighting and it ended 3-3. Afterwards we decided to have a friendly against Oaklands. We won, the score was 5-1. Then three of the Oakland’s players came onto our team and Normanhurst Year 8s joined Braeside. Even though they were Year 8, we won anyway. Thank you to Mrs Lane for taking us to the netball tournament, to Mrs Faud for giving us some helpful tips and the team for playing really well. Well played team.”



By Nia

House Swimming Gala

On Friday 7 February, Coopersale Hall School held its annual Year 3 & 4 House Swimming Gala at Waltham Abbey Leisure Centre. The first races were for our Champion Swimmers, this is a separate competition for the fastest six swimmers in each year group. The medal results are as follows:

	Year 3		Year 4
Gold	Francesca	Gold	Oliver
Silver	James	Silver	Ewan
Bronze	Lucas	Bronze	Niamh
Bronze	Jessica	Bronze	Oliver



The next races were part of the House Swimming Gala where all the pupils take part in races that score points for their school house. When all the points were added up the winning house was Willow. Results of the House Swimming Gala: First: Willow 54 Points - Second: Oak & Beech 43 Points - Third: Chestnut 40 Points.

Thank you to all the pupils who took part it was a really enjoyable event.





Oak-Tree Tag Rugby Tournament

On Monday 24 February, Coopersale Hall took part in the Oak-Tree Mixed Tag Rugby Tournament held at the Eton Manor Rugby Club in Wanstead.

This was a competition for 'A' and 'B' teams. Our 'A' team played very well winning one of their games 4-0, and losing two other very closely fought matches. Our 'B' team were superb with Ewan and Oliver playing some excellent Tag Rugby as Year 4's. The 'B' team won all of their matches against some well-organised and competitive teams.



When all the points were added together Coopersale Hall were second overall. This was an excellent result, as preparation for this tournament has been made very difficult by the extremely wet weather.

Thank you to all the pupils for showing such determination and effort. Also a big thank you to the parents who turned up to cheer the teams on.

Oak-Tree Mental Maths Challenge



Two pupils from each year group from Year 3 to 6 were picked this week to take part in the competitive Oak-Tree Mental Maths Challenge. The pupils were very proud to be representing their school in such a highly anticipated

event, and really gave it their all. Year 3 started off the challenge, working together in pairs to answer a series of questions, with only a few seconds to answer each one. Year 4, 5 and 6 then had their turn, with the questions getting increasingly trickier as the challenge went on.

It was a very close competition, but after all the scores were added up, Coopersale Hall came out as Maths champions, well done!





Fun in Upper Kindergarten Cambridge



The children in UKC had a wonderful time in their music lessons with Mrs Bragg learning how to jump, march, and clap to the time of the music. Looks great fun.

In their maths lesson the children independently made a number line using the number tiles from their classroom. Well done everyone!



Science Discovery Day at Haileybury School

On Tuesday 11 February, six Year 5 pupils were selected to attend a Science Discovery Day at Haileybury School. Pupils had to process evidence found at a crime scene in order to deduce and prove who the murderer was. Pupils worked well together, testing soil pH to try and find the location of the crime. They completed some fingerprint analysis, linking suspects to the weapons used. They carefully completed some flame tests on samples found on the victim, to link with samples found on the suspects.



Microscopes were used to observe and compare fibre samples found at the crime scene with ones from the suspects. After analysing some ink samples using chromatography, and interpreting blood sample data, the pupils then started to interpret all their data in order to come up with a suspect. All the pupils worked well collecting and processing their evidence, and they concluded and presented their findings, correctly identifying the person who had committed the crime. After this, they made a necklace which contained a sample of their own DNA. Everyone enjoyed a fantastic day.



Open Morning

Tuesday 3 March at

9:15am

Wellies and Woodlands Club

Pupils from the 'Wellies and Woodlands' club have been enjoying exploring the wonderful natural woodlands within the grounds of the school by taking 'Walkabouts' to look for their favourite trees and



discovering how different the trees are in winter. The children also learnt that the leaves have fallen off the deciduous trees and that their once hidden faces are now easier to spot. They walked around the woodlands looking for faces in the trees. They were looking to catch a 'glimpse of a winking eye', 'a mischievous grin' or the 'nose and mouth of a snoozing tree.'

Rajan in Year 1 actually found his own 'Tree-mendous Tree Face' while walking about in Epping Forest and took a fabulous photo to bring in to show his teachers - well done Rajan!



Later in the term, the children talked about why animals hibernate in winter and went looking for woodland invertebrates sheltering and hiding amongst the leaves, logs and bark. They were lucky to find tiny spiders, slugs and woodlice. To care for the birds in our woodlands, the children made their own bird feeders using oranges and birdseed to provide food for the birds during a season when it is difficult for them to find food. They were excited to be able to take them home and hang them in their gardens to enjoy and capture birds in their own natural environments during the half term holiday!

Living Things Visit Coopersale Hall



On Thursday 6 February, FOCHS treated Reception and Upper Kindergarten to a visit from a wide variety of exotic creatures from Living Things. They met a meerkat, held a tarantula, saw a gliding demonstration from two sugar gliders and watched a bearded lizard catch and eat some lunch.

It was a very informative afternoon that complemented the work that children in Reception are doing on mammals and all the children and teachers enjoyed it very much.





FOCHS Update

Plans for the term

During the first half of this term, FoCHS organised two events at school for pupils: a visit from **Living Things** for Reception and Upper Kindergarten children and a production of *The Tempest* by the **Young Shakespeare Company** for Years 3-6. You will have read reviews of the events elsewhere in the newsletter and both were well received by children and teachers alike.



In the second half of the term it will be all things Easter with a screening of HOP for our **movie night** on 6 March for Years 2-6 and an **Easter Hop** disco for Reception and Year 1 on 20 March. **If you would like to help at either of these events, please let us know.** We also have **Living Eggs** arriving at school on 9 March to incubate and hatch and an array of spring and exotic animals visiting for our **Easter Animals** day on 23 March.

For the first time, we are hosting a **travelling book fair** during the last week of term. There will be a fabulous selection of books available to buy for children of all ages at the school and for every £1 spent, the school will receive 60p to spend on books. Look out for the posters and leaflets advertising the fair. You will be able to pay for books by cash or card when you visit the fair, but if you purchase book fair gift vouchers in advance, you get 20% extra free: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/parents#tips>.

We are looking forward to running **Tuck Shop** again on Fridays, weather permitting. Do remember to bring your £1 on a Friday and thank you for your continued support.

The **Nearly New Hut** will reopen on Wednesday afternoons when the weather becomes milder, but if you need any uniform in the meantime, please complete this [form](#) and drop it into the school office with the correct payment. The price list can be found [here](#).

If you have any uniform to donate, please drop it into the office.

Steering meeting

Thank you to those who joined our steering meeting on Thursday 13 February. It was a good opportunity to reflect on the events and experiences we organise during the course of the year and to consider what we may wish to offer in future to enrich every child's experience at school. We voted to move forward with the iPad purchase and we are proposing a staged payment structure to the school to ensure that we can continue to provide our usual events in addition to funding the iPads. A FAQ document about the iPads will be issued to all parents shortly.

Easyfundraising

Sign up to easyfundraising and you can make a donation to FoCHS every time you shop online, at no extra charge. Hundreds of retailers make donations and it is a very easy way to help boost our funds: easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fochs



FOCHS Update Continued...

Get in touch

If you are interested in volunteering, have some ideas, or if you simply have a question, we'd love to hear from you. Here's how you can get in touch:

Each year group has at least one FoCHS rep. Just message your year WhatsApp group or stop them at pick up/drop off:

Lower Kindergarten - Nickie Futter

Upper Kindergarten - Susanne Wiegelmann

Reception - Nicola Wiley and Victoria Moyses

Year 1 - Siobham Puschmann

Year 2 - Sarah Cook

Year 3 - Nickie Futter and Jess Lancaster

Year 4 - Susan Tetherton

Year 5 - Lisa Sharp

Year 6 - Julia Drabwell

You can also email us at FoCHS@coopersalehallschool.co.uk, drop a note in the FoCHS letterbox near the school office or speak to any members of the committee:

Susan Tetherton (Chair)

Victoria Moyses (Treasurer)

Kiran Arora (Secretary)

Nickie Futter

Sarah Cook

Linda Biggs

Lisa Sharp

Julia Drabwell

Simon Whale

Francois Chklar

You can also check out our page on the school website: <https://www.coopersalehallschool.co.uk/parents-pupils/parents-association/>

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