

# Coopersale Hall School NEWSLETTER

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### Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

It has been lovely to invite so many of our families on to the school site to celebrate the end of a busy year. I hope you enjoyed seeing your children performing again. Things seem far more normal with the sound of children laughing, singing and enjoying themselves.

It has been a successful year with lots to celebrate. Our children continue to impress me with their determination and hard work.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope that you will have a relaxing summer with your families.

Best wishes

Miss Barnard

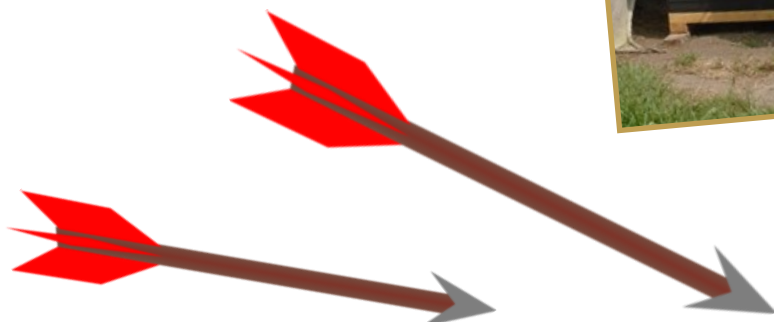
## Year 6 Visit Stubbers Adventure Centre

Year 6 have commenced their activities days starting with Stubbers Adventure Centre in Upminster. When we arrived we were taken to our hut, which was our base for the day, and were given our safety instructions and our rota for the day's events. We were put in two groups to commence our fun.



Our first scheduled event was Archery. We sat along the back of the bunker, listened to the safety instructions, attached our arm support, and were shown how to handle the bow and where to put the arrows in the correct position. We were amazed how hard it was to pull the bow back with the arrow in it, ready to shoot the target! We were thrilled when we hit the target, and some even got the bull's eye.

For our next activity, we worked in teams to win the battle Laser Wars. We were delighted to test our team building skills and work together to win! We really enjoyed this. We could not believe that the morning had gone so quickly.





## Year 6 Visit Stubbers Adventure Centre

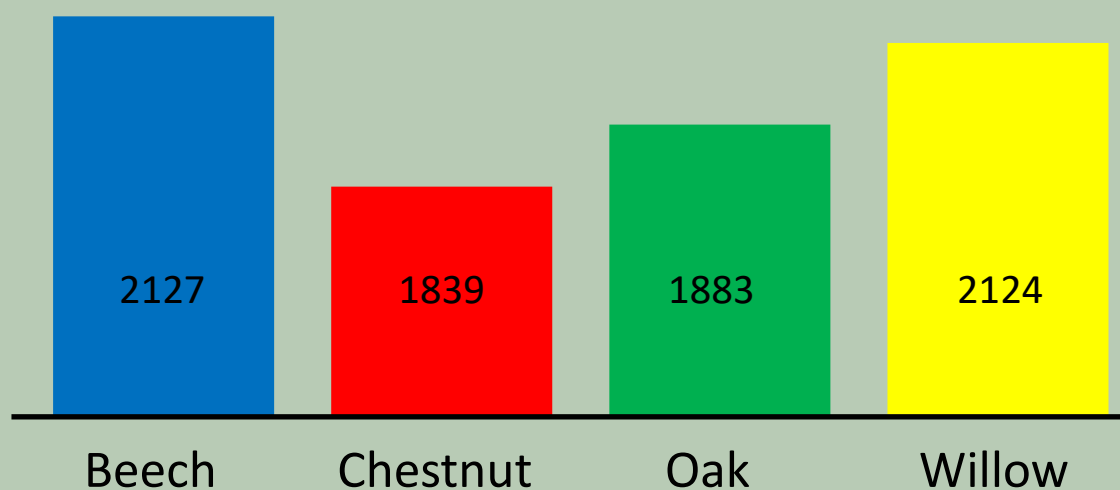
After we had enjoyed our lunch, we were ready to go canoeing. We put on our life jackets, listened to the instructor as he told us how to use the paddles. It was a lovely way to spend a few hours and really enjoy the sunshine.



For the final part of the afternoon, we climbed the wall and we walked the ropes. Everyone did what they were happy to do and were delighted with their achievements.

Merit Badges	W/E 18.6.21	W/E 25.6.21
Reception Gowland	Verity	Joe D
Reception Groman-Marks	Oliver	Woolfe
Reception Smith	Grace	Jesse
Year 1 Biddle	Robyn	Annie
Year 1 Daly	Edward	Sophie
Year 2 Burgess	Oliver	Arty
Year 2 Surtees	Albie	Not Awarded
Year 3 Crick	Jack B	Whole Class
Year 3 Graves	Rauf	Whole Class
Year 4 Bull	Naya	Jeff D
Year 4 Lane	Attila	Not Awarded
Year 5 Newbigging	Luke	Maiya
Year 5 Leeks	Honor	Oliver B
Year 6 Howard	Whole Class	Whole class

## Merit Points



Well done to Beech House, who won the cup this term!



## Herbs - Year 5

This week, Year 5 were lucky enough to have Mrs Knowles bring in the herbs that she grows in her garden. We passed them all around the room, looking at and smelling them. Mrs Knowles told us what the herbs were and how to use them. These herbs included: sage, that is used to cleanse your house of bad spirits or your body to keep healthy; rosemary and thyme are used to flavour lamb, also rosemary and lemon balm are used to make oils that go in soap and lotions; chives are like small onions and are used to flavour meals, the stalk can be cut up to flavour potatoes; mint and strawberry mint are used as a flavouring; dill and fennel are used as a flavouring to help cook fish; hops are herbs that are used to flavour beer; and bay leaves are used in a bouquet garni to give flavour to dishes.

We left the herbs overnight and, believe it or not, they were still in good condition by morning. So, we decided to draw the herbs in our art books. They turned out really great! We think it is safe to say that this week turned out to look and smell sensational.

By Nigel and Sophie



## Andy Warhol in Year 3

Year 3 have been inspired by Andy Warhol, and in particular his picture of Marilyn Monroe. Both classes have taken a photograph of themselves that has been repeated many times.

They then used watercolour pencils to design their own faces in the style of this Andy Warhol piece. The colours are very vivid and the children took great care with them.





## Activities in Upper Kindergarten Cambridge

Upper Kindergarten Cambridge spent the morning learning to count objects beyond 10 in their French lesson and were then taught a dance about bees to finish. Everyone had a lovely time.



## Fun in Upper Kindergarten Thomas

The children in Upper Kindergarten Thomas enjoyed an array of fun activities this week ranging from watering a new variety of strawberry, and playing a game of matching pairs which encourages the children to take turns, concentrate and develop their fine motor skills. They also loved role playing in their own hairdressers, quite an expensive salon it was too.



## A Week in Upper Kindergarten Dawson

The children enjoyed working together as a team to put the sound cards in the same order as they had learnt them from the Read, Write Inc scheme. They were really proud of themselves when they had finished it! They all liked going on a treasure hunt and loved looking for the treasure using our maps to explore the school. They all had a great time performing their end of year assembly to the parents. Well done to you all!





## A Week in Lower Kindergarten

We have had a busy week in Lower Kindergarten. The children played collectively to build models with bricks outside. They had fun P.E sessions practising their skills at kicking the balls against the wall. They have enjoyed developing role play skills with phones and binoculars and also made their own rocket to link in with our number work.

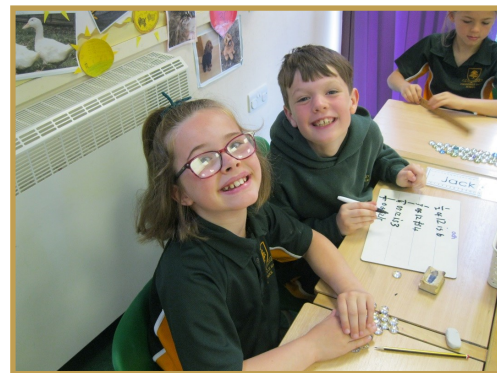


## FoCHS Pizza Treat!

The Dominoes pizzas provided by FoCHS went down a treat at lunch time. The children really enjoyed eating them outside picnic style in the sunshine.



## Fractions Are Fun!



Year 3 have been enjoying exploring fractions practically with a partner.



## Oak-Tree Challenge Award

We are proud that Jaspreet in Year 6 has completed the Oak-Tree Challenge – we think her smile says it all! These are her thoughts...

“Completing the Oak-Tree Challenge was a very happy moment for me. It started with the Bronze award in Year 4. The project was fun and definitely easier than in Year 6. Next, the Silver award in Year 5. This was also extremely good fun and it felt amazing to donate money to charity. Finally, the Gold award in Year 6. The project was harder however the whole experience was very satisfying. Overall I really enjoyed completing the Oak-Tree Challenge and I’m looking forward to completing the Duke of Edinburgh award at my secondary school.”

Congratulations to all the children in Year 4 who have completed their Bronze and silver Oak-Tree Challenge Awards this year: -

Francesca, Ruby, Ruby, Noah, Clara, Jessica, Atilla, Amelia, Dexter, Alexander, Florence, Andres, Anna, Evie, James, Jemima, Isabelle, Delilah, Jeff, Aiden, Maxwell, Naya, Riya and Neve.



Science Awards	W/C 7.6.21	W/C 14.6.21	W/C 21.6.21	W/C 28.6.21
Year 1B	Reeva	Annie	Theo	Robyn
Year 1D	Alexander	Charlotte	Edward	Sophie
Year 2S	Saskia	Albie M	Amari	Eva
Year 2B	Arty	Maria	Henry	Xander
Year 3C	Tommy	Lewis & Harry	Poppy & Defne	Jack B
Year 3G	Oscar	Emre	Abigail & Alice	Evie
Year 4B	Andres	Delilah & Evie	Aiden	Not awarded
Year 4L	Atilla	Monty & Daniel	Alexander	Not awarded
Year 5N & 5L	Gemma & Sophie	Maxwell	Alex & Alina	Ewan, Louis, Ethan & Oliver B
Year 6H	Riya	Not awarded	Not awarded	Neve



## Maths in Year 1 Biddle



During their maths lesson Year 1 Biddle had great fun exploring the school grounds to find 3D shapes. They used a tally sheet to record their findings. The most popular shapes found were cylinders and cuboids.

## Art in Year 4

The children in Year 4 had a very creative art lesson recently.

They tried to replicate Starry Night by Vincent Van Gogh. They used pencils, pastels and water colour paint to complete their finished designs.





## Year 6 Aqua Bounce at Fairlop Waters

On Monday 21 June, Year 6 went to Aqua Bounce at Fairlop Waters and despite the weather, they had a fantastic time.

The children arrived at the centre, got changed into the wet suits provided and after listening to the safety instructions proceeded to enjoy themselves. Everybody was so happy and positive about their day and nobody was concerned about the rain!

We were amazed to find that the water was warm. The obstacle course was a lot of fun. It was not as easy as it looked getting back onto the obstacle when you fell off which was all part of the fun. There were only four people allowed on the slide at one time. We all followed the safety rule and had a marvellous time.



Once we were dry again, we proceeded to enjoy our lunch in the cafeteria. We definitely appreciated the food. Finally, we enjoyed a brisk walk together around the perimeter of the lake. We enjoyed seeing the wildlife that Fairlop waters had to offer. We had fantastic time together

Felix: That was the best trip I have ever been on!

Ahad: It was safe and well managed.

Riya: The instructors were really nice.





## Athletics Day

Athletics day was hosted by Avon House and was great fun. I loved being able to get out and compete with other schools. There were lots of schools there, including St. Aubyns, Daiglen, Forest, Braeside and Oaklands. We took part in long jump, a 75 meter sprint, vortex throwing and a 600 metre sprint.

We stayed until around 3.30pm and two of our team members won medals, Maria 1st place in the 600 metre sprint and Chloe 3rd place in the same race. The Athletics day was really enjoyable and I was so glad to have been chosen for the team.

Riya



## Oak-Tree Festival of Sport

On Tuesday 22 June Coopersale hosted a sports festival between the schools within the Oak-Tree Group – Oaklands, Braeside and Normanhurst. The girls all played netball, on the astroturf, and the boys played 6 aside on the field. We were delighted that the tournament went ahead and all teams had a great time with lots of goals and plenty of friendly banter.

Overall, we really enjoyed the chance for everyone to gather together and be part of this event. The longer we played, the more our skills came flooding back. Coopersale were the winners of both the netball and football tournaments. Well done everyone.

We had a wonderful afternoon and would like to thank all the teachers for keeping us motivated throughout the tournament. Good luck all Year 6 students and don't forget to try out for your teams in secondary school.



I was very pleased that we could organise the Oak-Tree Netball Tournament and give the girls the opportunity to play competitively against other schools. Having trained so hard for three years, they have been denied all matches and tournaments due to COVID. I was extremely pleased with their play and with every game they played they got stronger, remembered all their skills and played as a team.

WELL DONE YEAR 6 - Remember to try out for the netball team in your secondary school next year.

Good Luck.

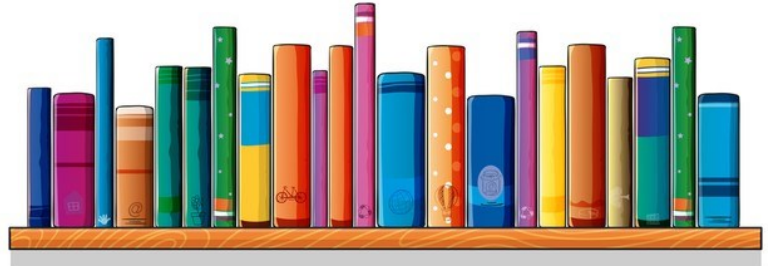
Mrs Sue lane





## Over 300 Book Donations!!

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated books to our library this year. The shelves are bursting with fantastic stories and books filled with interesting facts! All of the books will be enjoyed by the pupils for years to come!



## Piano Success at Coopersale Hall

Congratulations to our talented and hard working piano students who achieved impressive results in their recent piano exam.

Alina passed grade 2 with Merit; Evelyn and Jeff both passed grade 1 with Distinction. Very well done to you all.

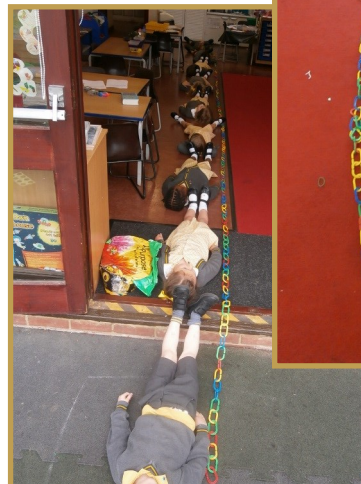


## Fun in Upper Kindergarten Cambridge

The children decided to see if they could join the links together and make a chain that would reach from one end of the classroom to the other.

They all worked on this self-chosen activity, helping and supporting each other. They then saw if they could all fit along the line.

The game developed and the children joined the ends of the chain together and sat in the circle, and then changed again into a train. What a super imaginative session.





## Roles of Responsibility from September 2021

We are very pleased to announce the new Roles of Responsibility from September. Well done to all the children and we wish them lots of luck in their new positions.

Head Boy	Oliver T	Head of Technology	Alex
Head Girl	Sophie	Head of Sport Girl	Chloe
Deputy Head Boy	Oliver B	Head of Sport Boy	Ewan
Deputy Head Girl	Alina	Head of Music	Joseph
Head of House Beech	Annabel	Head of School Council	Luke
Head of House Willow	Sienna	Head of Library	Rohan
Head of House Oak	Gemma	Prefects	Louis - Ethan - Maiya - Aaryan Ines - Kaiser - Honor
Head of House Chestnut	Leila		

## History Lessons in Year 3 Graves

Year 3 are currently learning about Ancient Greece. Their task was to imagine they were a messenger, telling the people of Greece that the Olympic Games was going to take place shortly. The children had to think about what to include in their message so that the spectators and athletes would have all the information they need before making the journey to Olympia. The children really enjoyed writing their detailed messages and produced some lovely pieces of writing of which they should be proud. Well done to you all.



## Toasting Marshmallows In Science Club

This half term in Science club Year 6 have been exploring how different natural materials burn. They have collected various wood samples from around the school grounds and built and lit a small fire. Once lit the pupils then enjoyed toasting marshmallows. Finally the pupil discussed various ways of putting out a fire and then safely extinguished the flames.





## Sports Day

Sports Day this year felt very special as it was the first time the whole school had been together in over a year. It was amazing to have the parents back in to support the children and cheer them on in all their races.

As well as the classic sprints and long distance, the pupils got to take part in bean bag races and obstacle courses



## End of Year Celebration Assemblies

All of our pupils made us very proud with their end of year celebration assemblies. Every pupil had a part to play in making each performance special.

We had songs about under the sea creatures from our early years, plays about the ancient Greeks and a wonderful African fashion parade, plus lots more!



## FOCHS Update: July 2021

### Events

As a reward for their hard work and resilience during this challenging year, all the pupils were treated to a special lunch during the last week of term. The children chose their own pizzas which were delivered by Domino's, followed by ice-cream, which they enjoyed in their classrooms or the school grounds. It looks like a fun time was had by all!



Our Year 6 pupils will also be enjoying their celebratory day out on the last day of term to mark the end of their time at Coopersale Hall. We are so pleased to be contributing to their day of fun, which is very well deserved. They have all worked extremely hard to achieve fantastic 11+ exam results and get into their chosen secondary schools. We wish them all the very best for the future.

### Thank You

We wanted to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support of FoCHS during this year, despite the limitations that COVID has imposed on us. From buying gifts online at the Christmas Shop and raffle tickets for our Easter Baskets to donating school uniform to the Second-Hand Uniform Hut, we couldn't do any of this without you!

We owe a similar debt of gratitude to Miss Barnard, the teachers and all the staff at Coopersale Hall. Their enthusiasm and support for FoCHS this year has been amazing and unwavering, even though it has led to a considerable amount of additional work for them all.

We wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable Summer holiday and we look forward (hopefully!) to the resumption of a more normal service in September.

### Easyfundraising

Sign up to easyfundraising and you can make a donation to FoCHS every time you shop online over the Summer holiday, at no extra charge. Hundreds of retailers make donations and it is simple to sign up:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fochs>

## Amazon Smile

We have also recently set up another easy way to donate to FoCHS every time you shop with Amazon, via Amazon Smile. Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know with the same products, prices and service.

Simply log-in to your Amazon account via the website <http://www.smile.amazon.co.uk> choose Friends of Coopersale Hall School as your charitable organisation and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price of your order (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) to FoCHS. There is no additional cost to you for this donation. If you use the Amazon Shopping app, you can turn on Amazon Smile by going to "Settings" in the main menu and following the on-screen instructions.

## Get in touch

If you are interested in getting involved during the next academic year, have some ideas, or if you simply have a question, we would love to hear from you. Here's how you can get in touch:

Each year group has at least one FoCHS rep. The easiest way to get in touch is to message your year or class WhatsApp:

LK - TBC

UK – Stacey Cummins;

Reception – Nickie Futter and Lydia Chklar;

Yr 1 – Susanne Wiegelmann

Yr 2 – Nicola Wiley and Victoria Moyses;

Yr 3 – Rachel Concadoro;

Yr 4 – Sarah Cook;

Yr 5 – Nickie Futter and Jess Lancaster;

Yr 6 – Susan Tetherton and Linda Biggs



You can also email us at [FoCHS@coopersalehallschool.co.uk](mailto:FoCHS@coopersalehallschool.co.uk) or speak to any members of the committee:

Susan Tetherton (Chair)

Victoria Moyses (Treasurer)

Nickie Futter (Secretary)

Linda Biggs

Lydia Chklar

Sarah Shirley

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

