

Coopersale Hall School NEWSLETTER



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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

As you will see from this newsletter, it has been a very busy month with a wonderful variety of visits, trips and sporting success. The sun has now began to shine meaning pupils have been able to make use of our school grounds and even helped out with the gardening.

There are many events to look forward to after the half term such as the Year 4 to 6 Performance, Speech Day, Sports Day and the FoCHS Picnic in the Park. They are all sure to be wonderful events so do check our website for details of many more exciting events this term.

Wishing you all a happy half term.

Kind regards

Inspirational People

Years 2 and 3 have come together to discover more about some very inspiring people. They also looked at books that had a message of kindness and support.

Each child selected a book that they found interesting and were asked to write a book review to be put into our "Recommend for You – Book Reviews". They were also asked to create a poster of the book and share their thoughts with their peers.

Delilah:

'Ada Twist, Scientist'

I like how she never lost her dream.

Saskia:

'Little People Big Dreams – Coco Chanel'

I liked the fact that Coco grew up in an orphanage and was different, but she didn't stop living her life.



BSL Assembly

The whole school took part in a British Sign Language Assembly. The assembly was led by three pupils who are members of the British Sign Language Club. Every week, the children learn lots of new words and different ways to communicate, and wanted to show what they have learned to their friends.

The assembly started with the children telling the school their names in sign, followed by the whole alphabet, with the rest of the children following along. After a few more phrases, the assembly finished with the girls signing the whole of the Bruno Mars song 'You Can Count on Me'. There were a few teary eyed teachers in the audience after that!

British Sign Language is a great club, and a fantastic way to learn a new skill!



Year 6 Become First Aiders!

Year 6 got the fantastic opportunity to take part in a first aid course and learn some very important life saving skills. The pupils talked about CPR, the recovery position and the signs of choking and the methods to help, then got the chance to try the techniques on a dummy. The school is in safe hands with Year 6 around!





Show & Tell

In class 1H, it was the boys' turn for show and tell. They shared lots of information about butterflies, a shark's tooth bought in Costa Rica and big cats! The whole class loved hearing all of the interesting facts and stories.



Year 4 Roman Day

Year 4 have been learning about the Romans this year and held a special day to celebrate. Everyone dressed up in their finest Roman attire, including the Year 4 teachers, and took part in themed activities. The day's tasks included a Latin spelling test, learning Roman numerals in maths, carving soap to create Roman art and finishing the day with a Roman buffet. The children had so much fun!

Rachel—At the end of the day we had a lavish Roman buffet. In the buffet there were: grapes, cheese, carrot sticks, olives and more. For the drink there was a fizzy apple drink. I really enjoyed my day.

Lizzie —The third Roman lesson of the day was English again! This time we did a quiz! My table was the cavalry and we scored lots of points. It was amazing fun!



Letters To The Queen

Children at Coopersale Hall have been excitedly making cards and writing letters of congratulations to the Queen for her Platinum Jubilee. All of the cards and letters were collated into a special folder and sent to Buckingham Palace after school on Friday 13 May by Mrs Graves. The parcel will hopefully reach her this week and we are excitedly waiting for a reply over the next few weeks/ months! Well done to all the children at school who wrote such lovely letters and made beautiful cards for Her Majesty.



Non-uniform Day

Our school council diligently took to the gates with their collection boxes on non-uniform day collecting over £450 in donations. Thank you to everyone who kindly made a donation!



Rainbow Robot

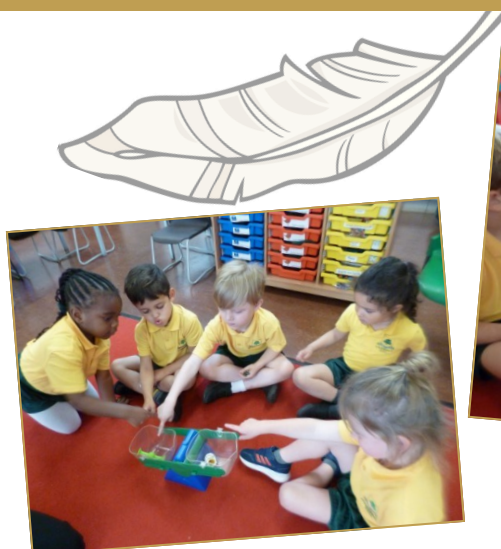
UKF made an amazing Robot called Rainbow to help learn the phonic sound 'r'. The children used tissue paper and pencils to make the robot look bright and colourful.



Light or Heavy?

Upper Kindergarten have been using scales to work out the difference between light and heavy objects.

The children chose objects from around the room and guessed which would be heavier, before placing them on the scales to find out.



Early Years Eco Council

The children in the Early Years Eco Council have been helping to keep the outdoor classroom, garden and playing fields tidy and clean. Keep up the good work!



Upper Kindergarten Enjoy Hot Chocolate Alfresco



Upper Kindergarten were treated to delicious hot chocolate for their continued good behaviour and hard work.

It was such a lovely sunny day that the children got to enjoy their drinks while sitting outside on the terrace.



Fun In The Sun At Kew Gardens

Year 2 children spent an amazing day at Kew Gardens! The weather was perfect and the children had a wonderful time learning about all sorts of different types of plants that grow in different climates all over the world. They attended a workshop and learned all about animal adaptations, took time to walk through a couple of the conservatories, and even did the treetop walk.



Year 1 Visit The Sea Life Centre

Year one had a brilliant trip to the sea life centre. They saw lots of interesting animals, including big slippery eels who hid in the rocks, snakes of all colours and sizes, and butterflies in the walk-through enclosure allowing the children to get an up-close look at their beautiful patterns! The children loved watching the penguins being fed. Did you know a group of penguins in the water is called a raft but on land, they're called a waddle?!

After the excitement of the animals the children also had a chance to play on the beach, and despite the weather, had a brilliant time. The teachers were all very proud of how sensible they were and their much-improved listening skills.



Year 4's Wondercrump Trip To The Roald Dahl Museum

Year 4 had an absolutely splendiferous day at the Roald Dahl Museum. The children explored the exhibits, visited Roald's writing hut, and even dressed up like the characters from his books.

Alice- It was splendiferous weather as we got on the coach to start our journey to the Roald Dahl museum. It looked a bit like an ordinary house squished between other houses but was painted a beautiful pale blue and had Gobblefunk painted on the front. Inside there were wonderful exhibits and information everywhere about Roald Dahl.



Simran- We had had such a wonderful day that we were not ready to go back to school. On the trip back I imagined myself being someone like Roald Dahl and think that he is such an amazing author. He is truly the world's number one bestselling author.



Young Voices

On Friday 6 May, Year 5 and 6 and their teachers took part in Young Voices - The Largest School Choir in the World! This year was extra special as the Young Voices Choir celebrated its 25th Birthday. With special guest performers such as Ruti Olajugbagbe, who won the voice, Urban Strides, who are led by Europe's most qualified street dance instructors and The Beatbox Collective, who are World Beatbox Champions; it truly was a spectacular event.

The pupils sang and danced their hearts out and even got the chance to compete against their teachers and parents to see who were the best singers, dancers and beatboxers, of course the pupils won! Performing as part of an 8000 person choir at the O2 was a fantastic experience for all involved and they were amazing ambassadors of the school. Well done to all of Year 5 and 6!



MERIT BADGES	W/E 29.4.22	W/E 6.5.22	W/E 13.5.22
Reception G	Grace	Jenson	Heidi
Reception M	Emily	Max	Ella
Reception S	Whole Class	Robyn	Whole Class
Year 1C	Lakshmi	Frey & Ava	Ranveer
Year 1H	Scarlett	Roma	Grace
Year 2Z	Lilly & Alexander	N/A	Harmonie
Year 2C	Felicity	N/A	Beatrice
Year 3G	Xander	George	India
Year 3B	Amari	Grayson	Albie
Year 4G	Jack	Blaise	Rauf
Year 4B	Lewis	Lizzie	Sophie
Year 5N	Alexander	Daniel	Whole Class
Year 5B	Delilah	Florence	Whole Class
Year 6L	Honor	N/A	Whole Class
Year 6H	Rohan	N/A	Whole Class

Reading Buddies

Children from Years 3 to 6 have loved getting the chance to read to the younger children in the school. Year 5 pupils made lots of new friends in Year 1 when they joined them for a reading session to start the day. Year 6 entertained the children in Lower Kindergarten with colourful books filled with beautiful pictures, while Year 4 pupils read short stories to Reception children. The pupils loved getting the chance to get to know each other better and are looking forward to their next reading session!



Hot Chocolate Awards	W/E 29.4.22	W/E 6.5.22	W/E 13.5.22
Reception G	Jenson	Blake	Ivy
Reception S	Lily	Louise	Darcey
Reception GM	Maddox	Karam	Emily
Year 1 C	Woolfe	Jesse & Ranveer	Robyn & Lakshmi
Year 1 H	Joe	Marion	Roshni
Year 2 C	Ralph	Robyn	Theo
Year 2 Z	Alex	N/A	Marnie
Year 3 B	Emilia	Alexander	Henry
Year 3 G	Florie	Ralph	George
Year 4 B	Jack	Defne	Leila
Year 4 G	Simran	Evie	Georgina
Year 5 N	N/A	Amelia	Clara
Year 5 B	N/A	Mimi	Sofia

Stubbers Activity Day

On Monday 9 May Year 5 and Year 6 went to Stubbers for the day to experience a variety of activities. The children had a fantastic time trying their hand at rifle shooting, archery, raft building, and paddle boarding. It was a day full of laughter, team building, and lots of fun!

Here's what some of the pupils had to say about the day:

Naya Year 5–

The first activity for our group was paddle boarding. This was my favourite activity. We learnt how to lie on our paddle board, kneel down and then, eventually stand up! We all fell over a lot of times but luckily it was a very hot day, and the cold water was refreshing.

Evie –

Archery was very hard but still fun. We played a game where we had to hit every colour on the targets in order to get to the middle one (yellow). But we got stuck in the “lava” (red) and could not get onto another colour. Somehow I shot onto the red – but I don't know how I did it!

Sophie –

I enjoyed doing things that I had never done before.



Getting Social

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Outdoor Learning

Year 2 have been enjoying the sunshine during a Maths revision lesson. They practised telling the time, addition and subtraction and played a guessing number game!



1H were using Beebots to enhance their learning in Computing. The children loved being able to take their learning outside and work together to come up with solutions.

Year 2 enjoyed the sunshine while sketching leaves and flowers around the school. They examined the detail of what they found and created some beautiful art!



Fun In the Sunshine

Jubilee celebration preparations have really begun now that the Maypole has arrived! Children from across the school have been busy practising their moves, listening to the music, and skipping in time. Everyone has really enjoyed this traditional summer treat!



Upper Kindergarten swapped their hot chocolate for ice lollies in the sunshine with Miss Barnard!



Historical Fiction Competition

Thank you to all of the children who entered Coopersale Halls first Historical Fiction Competition! Many interesting stories were received, and the standard of entries was very high. The top five winners (in no particular order) won a book and 100 house points. The three runners-up won 100 house points.

All of the winner and runner-up stories will be placed in a book in the library for all the children in the school to read for their enjoyment during their library sessions.

There was a wide variety of historical eras covered such as World War 2, the Victorians, Incas, and the Stone Age. There was even a story from the perspective of the Cabinet War Room during World War 2!



The five winners are :

Alexander, Oliver, Sophie,
Evie, and Maxwell.

The three runners up are:

Elena, Lewis, Elizabeth

Upper Kindergarten Raise Classroom Chicks

Kindergarten have loved watching the class chicks grow over the last few weeks. The children patiently waited for the eggs to hatch and then got the chance to hold the chicks when they were a few days old. Pupils from across the school have had the chance to hold the chicks and see how they have grown. Thank you so much to FoCH for arranging such a fantastic treat!



Jubilee Preparations

Lower Kindergarten have been busy making decorations ready for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations!



Reception Gowland have written their own letters to Queen!



Stick Insects

After a long and exciting wait, two stick insects have hatched in Upper Kindergarten. The children found sticks, stones, and leaves, which they used to design their own insects.



FoCHS Update

Events

Many thanks to everyone who has donated so far to our new recycling initiative this term.

This initiative will now be running until the end of term, so please do continue to leave any donations with the school office. Thank you for your support!

Upper Kindergarten were very excited to receive their delivery of "Living Eggs" this term. These are live chicken eggs housed in an incubator in their classroom, so the children could watch in real time as they hatched; 5 girls and 4 boys in total. They also had the opportunity to gently hold and stroke the chicks once they were strong enough. We hope that everyone enjoyed looking after these little cuties!



We are also very pleased to announce that after a long absence due to COVID, the Summer Fayre will be back on again this year! With exciting games, stalls and displays, we hope that this will be a fun-filled day for the all the family. More details will follow in next month's newsletter but, in the meantime, please save the date in your diaries: Friday 1st July.

Second-Hand Uniform

Our new order form is ready for use and can be downloaded from the school website: <https://www.coopersalehallschool.co.uk/cooper-content/uploads/2022/02/CHS-Second-Hand-Uniform-Order-Form.pdf>

If you wish to place an order, please hand in your completed form to the school office and we will let you know if the items requested are available. Please do not email any order forms to us. Once your order is confirmed, payment should be made to us electronically using the details on the form.

Our price list can also be found on the school website: <https://www.coopersalehallschool.co.uk/cooper-content/uploads/2022/02/CHS-Second-Hand-Uniform-Price-List.pdf>

We very much appreciate any donations of good quality, school-branded uniform. Please leave it with the school office and one of our volunteers will collect it.

If you have any queries, please do speak to your class rep.

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 simple to sign up: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fochs>

Amazon Smile

We have also 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 this year, have some ideas, or if you simply have a question, we would very much like 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 rep on WhatsApp:

LK – Susan Tetherton;
UK – Stacey Cummins;
Reception – Nickie Futter and Lydia Chklar;
Yr 1 – Rachel Concadoro;
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 or speak to any members of the committee:

Susan Tetherton (Chair)
Victoria Moyses (Treasurer)
Nickie Futter (Secretary)
Linda Biggs
Lydia Chklar
Sarah Shirley
Sarah Cook
Louisa Richards
Stacey Cummins
Julia Fahri

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

