

Coopersale Hall School

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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

The Royal Jubilee, Sports Days and a residential trip - it's been a busy term so far!

Well done to all the participants in our Sports Days and inter-school competitions. You are a credit to yourselves and the school.

Do keep checking our website as we continue our busy schedule with 'Prize Giving' and 'Summer Fest'.

Thank you for your continued support!

Kind regards

Miss Barnard

Oak-Tree Spelling Bee

Eight children from each school took part in the Oak-Tree Spelling Bee, two from each year group from Year 3 to Year 6. It was a wonderful opportunity to link with all the Oak-Tree schools and compete against each other. The event was hosted by Coopersale Hall School. Each year group were given 20 challenging spellings linked to their age and curriculum. The four heats were rotated and points added up after each round. The children were challenged and they did us all proud.

The results were as follow:

Braeside School - 1st Place

Normanhurst School – 2nd Place

Coopersale Hall School – 2nd Place

Oaklands School – 3rd Place



All the children across the group enjoyed partaking in this competition and we will definitely have another challenge next year! We want to congratulate and thank each of the pupils who participated in this event. Well done Braeside and everyone who took part.

A Bad Hair Day for the Queen!

In their Science unit, Year 2 pupils have been understanding what it takes for plants to grow well.

They decided to have a go at growing their own grass from seed. The children decorated their growing jars with the Queen's face and gave her a crown around the rim of the jar. The grass then grew thick and tall out of the crown to look like Her Majesty's hair! All of the children were very proud that they had managed to grow the grass and give it all of the different components it needed to thrive.

Year 4 pupils also did this on a larger scale in Science Club last term.

They look amazing!



Year 1 Go Pond Dipping

The Year 1 Science topic this term is 'On Safari'. Pupils have been studying vertebrates and invertebrates, looking at their characteristics and grouping and classifying different creatures. They have also been looking at animal habitats and exploring what they need to survive.

Pupils thoroughly enjoyed exploring in and around the school pond, finding newts, pond snails, water louse and more. They got a close up look at the creatures in the buckets before carefully releasing them back to where they found them.



Year 2 Water Measurements

Year 2 took their Science lessons outside in the sunshine this term. They worked on their measuring skills using different containers and water. The children had to keep their eyes at the right level and ensure the container was flat before measuring. Excellent job Year 2!

Year 6 S'more Making

Year 6 enjoyed building the perfect fire, having explored with burning different materials in previous weeks. They were rewarded for their hard work with delicious s'mores!



Year 2 Take a Trip to the Museum of London

Year 2 took an exciting trip to the Museum of London to take part in a workshop about the Great Fire of London. The children tried on fireman helmets from 1666 and learnt a lot on a self-guided tour. What a great day!



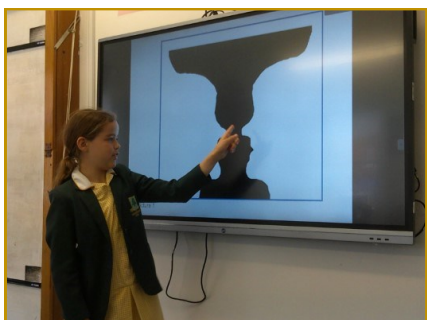
Year 5 Get Philosophical At Brentwood School Taster Day

Year 5 were invited to attend a taster day at Brentwood School on Wednesday 8 June. When they arrived at the school they were taken into a hall and welcomed by the staff. Discovering that there had been a school established on the site since the time of Elizabeth II. The classes were then split into two groups and took part in a programme of lessons like Biology, Music, Theology and Philosophy.

These are the thoughts of Mimi in Year 5 on her Brentwood experience:

“First at Brentwood School Year 5B did Biology. It was very fun. We got a big tub full of leaves and then we had to search through and find bugs. I found a spider, nine wood-louse and a slug! We then looked at these bugs closely through a microscope. After that we had a yummy snack and drink. Then we made our way to our next lesson. We did Theology, which means the study of God, and Philosophy which means the love of wisdom. We had to look at pictures and say what we could see within it. The picture that shows two faces facing each other caused a lot of discussion. Some people saw the faces only, others saw a fancy goblet but when I looked at the picture, I saw a tiger’s face. Once I showed the class how I saw this everyone could see it too! It was very interesting to understand that from the same picture many different things can be seen, and by sharing what we had seen it helped us to see things from a different point of view. After our classes we enjoyed a lovely lunch, they had an amazing hall and it had a giant painting showing how the school had looked in the time of Elizabeth I. We then went back by coach to Coopersale.”

Mrs Bull and Mrs Newbigging were very proud with how the children engaged in their various lessons, the interesting questions that they raised and their polite manners. It was an excellent experience at a senior school which they all found to be very informative, interesting and extremely good fun!



Kindergarten Have a Roar-some Time

Upper Kindergarten didn't let the rain dampen their spirits on their recent trip to Paradise Wildlife Park. The children loved spotting all the different dinosaurs on the train ride through the forest!



Mini-Beasts

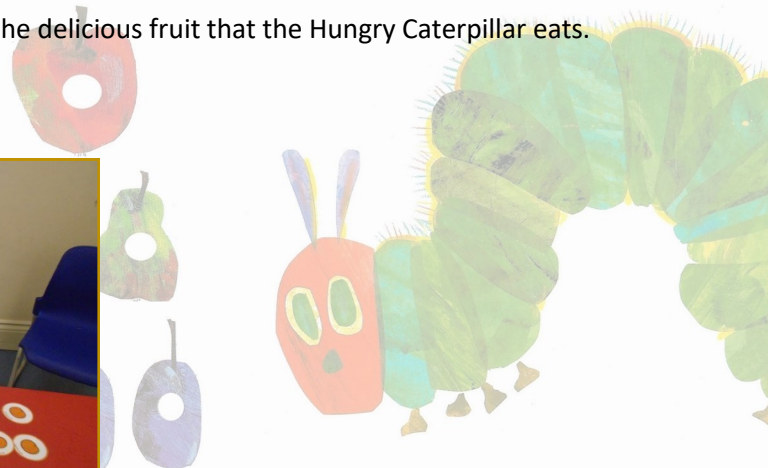
For their topic on Mini beasts, Upper Kindergarten discussed where different types of bugs might live. Some of the children decided to create their own mini beast hotel using Lego bricks and then placed all the bugs where they wanted them. It looks great!

The children then made wiggly worms by carefully threading beads on wire. A great way to practice their hand-eye co-ordination.



LK Feed A Very Hungry Caterpillar

The Lower Kindergarten children have been counting all of the delicious fruit that the Hungry Caterpillar eats.





Jubilee Celebrations

What better way to mark the Queen's Jubilee than a whole school tea party on the grounds, followed by a royal crown parade. The whole school was treated to an afternoon tea under the trees, which consisted of delicious sandwiches, crisps, and a cake stand full of sweet treats.

After tucking into the feast, the school chefs announced the winner of the Jubilee Pudding Competition. Well done to our winners, your puddings looked (and tasted) great!





Parents were then invited to join the pupils, who put on quite a show for them. After performing the National Anthem and a few other songs, the children donned their carefully created crowns and gave everyone a royal parade, complete with the Queen's signature hand wave!



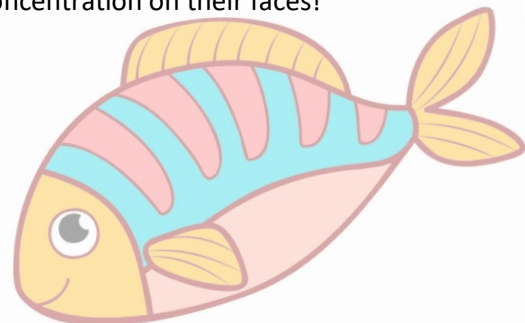
Pupils and teachers at Coopersale hall worked very hard on the run up to the Jubilee to create these incredible Jubilee banners. These huge banners are placed all around the school hall for everyone to admire. Each of the banners represents a different decade, with lots of details including yellow submarines, the Millennium, marriages, and more!



Upper Kindergarten Go Fishing



The children in Upper Kindergarten worked hard to catch fish with their fishing rods. You can see the concentration on their faces!



Early Years Eco Council

The Early Years Eco Council have been carrying on with their hard work picking litter up from around the school grounds. Luckily all of our wonderful pupils are very responsible and put their litter in the bin, so the job wasn't too hard for the children!



Upper Kindergarten Grow Their Own

Upper Kindergarten have loved growing , potatoes, red onions, tomatoes, red strawberries and white strawberries this year. They can't wait to see and taste the fruits of their labours in the coming weeks!



The Lion King Production

Friday 10 June marked the day of the highly anticipated Lion King Production. After months of hard work and rehearsals, Years 4-6 put on a truly fantastic performance to their family and friends at Epping Hall.

In the weeks running up to the show, the children spent their Art lessons making their own headdresses, getting creative to capture all the characteristics of their chosen animal. As well as getting their costumes ready, the children worked hard to learn all their lines and the lyrics to songs such as 'Hakuna Matata' and 'The circle of Life' ready to wow the audience.

It was a wonderful evening enjoyed by all!



Getting Social

Click the images to visit our social media sites.



Lowe Kindergarten Assembly

Lower Kindergarten children performed their first ever assembly for their parents this term. They sang songs and played instruments for the parents and children from across the school. At the end they treated everyone to a little dance!



Reception Assembly

The children in Reception put on a fantastic 'Under the Sea' assembly to friends and family. They spoke about their favourite sea animals, sang catchy songs, and performed wonderful dance routines.



Reception Explore Capel Manor

Reception had a fantastic day exploring at Capel Manor College and Gardens on Wednesday 25 May. They were treated to a special tour and talk about the animals that live at Capel Manor, this was led by Mrs Russell's daughter who is studying 'Animal Care and Management'. After the tour, the children enjoyed a scavenger hunt around the grounds where they had to look for clues and stamps to complete the hunt and receive their medals! Everyone had a fantastic day, with some children declaring "This is the best day ever!"



Karate Club Impress The School With Their Incredible Skills

It was wonderful to have Sensei Dan's Karate Club demonstrate their skills to the whole school one morning. Everyone was impressed by the number of children that take part in the club and were interested to learn more about karate, which means "Open Hand".

The club showed us how they warm up their bodies before starting to demonstrate how they move when they punch and kick. The children and audience listened very carefully to Sensei Dan following his instructions and directions to perform the Karate moves with skill and speed. Everyone in the club looked wonderful in their "Gi" the white Karate kit that they wear. The different coloured belts determined the different level of knowledge and skill that they have achieved so far.

The assembly was very inspiring and everyone enjoyed watching a few members of the club playing the block, duck and jump game! Amelia in Year 3 was chosen from the audience to see her reaction to the speed and agility that the game needs.

Sensei wowed the school with the trophy and medal that he achieved becoming the first Englishman to be World champion and European champion at the same time.



I.S.A LONDON NORTH AREA ATHLETICS COMPETITION

On Monday 23 May Coopersale Hall school took part in the I.S.A. London North Area Athletics Competition held at the Bedford International Athletics Stadium. This competition involves all of the schools in the London North I.S.A area. The event also involves secondary pupils, and this provided the pupils with a good opportunity to watch the older pupils from the Oak-Tree group of schools in competition.

Our pupils performed brilliantly, with all of them showing great determination and effort. We had many excellent results. Nigel 4th in the Boys Year 6, 80m and 150m sprint. Oliver 4th in the Boys Year 6, 600m. The Boys 80m Relay team 5th, Nigel, Oliver, Ewan, and Lucas. Chloe 5th in the Girls 600m. Chloe was also 2nd in her Year 6 Girls, 80m heat but did not make the final.



Mr Robinson would like to thank all of the pupils who took part, they showed great commitment. Especially when you consider the long and exciting week they had just had at the Overstrand Kingswood Centre. This was Coopersale Hall's first trip to this event and it has really laid the foundation for great success next year.

FoCHS Newsletter Piece – June 2022

Events

We are so pleased that the children enjoyed all the various Platinum Jubilee celebrations at school before half-term and it is lovely to see them still proudly wearing their new Jubilee badges on their blazers! We hope they will be a nice keepsake for the children in years to come.

Upper Kindergarten have also been enjoying watching their caterpillars grow in their classrooms and transform into beautiful butterflies! It is always a special day for the children when they finally release their butterflies into the grounds of the school and watch them set off on their adventures.



The big day is nearly here; "Summer Fest 2022" will be taking place on Friday 1 July! Our volunteers are hard at work organising the last minute details and we look forward to seeing you all for a fun-filled afternoon.



We are always appreciative of extra hands on the day to help with setting up and also manning the stalls. If you are able to volunteer, please speak to your class rep (shown below) or let the school office know this week. Thank you!

Please note, we will be selling Summerfest wristbands (£12 each) in advance at school on Friday 24 June at afternoon pick-up time and on Monday 27 June at morning drop-off. Wristbands will also be on sale on the day, but if you buy in advance you can avoid queuing at the fayre!

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/>

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.

