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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

We are all enjoying a very busy start to our summer term at Coopersale Hall.

It has been lovely to see our children, throughout the school, enjoying such a wide-range of exciting activities and opportunities. We are so fortunate to have such beautiful and extensive grounds and the children have been making the most of these, taking their learning outside of the classroom as much as possible, this term. We will be continuing with our class assemblies throughout the summer term; they are such a wonderful opportunity to find out more about what your child has been learning about and also for the younger children to see what they may be learning about as they move up the school.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events this term including Sports Day, Prize Giving and Summer Fest.

Kind regards

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Mrs Doherty

UKH Learn About St. George's Day

The children in Upper Kindergarten Hogg enjoyed waving their flags to celebrate St George's Day. They made the flags using a collage method.

The children then watched a short video on the story behind St George's Day, before settling down to enjoy a very traditional treat of scones and jam at snack time.

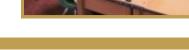
Year 2 Enjoy Ghana Day

Year 2 enjoyed a special Ghana day to start their Africa topic this week.

They learnt about the geography of Ghana, created intricate Kente designs which are used to make traditional clothes and took part in a drumming workshop.

They were also lucky enough to have Mrs Caliph, Olive's mum, join them to talk about the food and culture as well as sharing delicious Ghanaian hot chocolate and plantain chips!





UKF & Year 6 Build a Tower

Some of the boys in Upper Kindergarten Fentiman and our Year 6 Prefect, Blaise and Head Girl, Simran worked together with the Lego bricks to see how tall they could build a tower without it toppling over. They managed to make it taller than themselves. Great teamwork!



Reading Buddies

The children really enjoyed taking part in their Reading Buddy session. It was lovely to see children of all different ages engaging in stories together and supporting each other to read tricky or new words. This also gives the opportunity for some siblings to read to each other, which was lovely to see, we hope this inspires them to read to each other at home.



Year 3 Become History Detectives

We were pleased to invite Catherine Hammond from Epping District Museum into our Year 3 classrooms for a workshop on WWII. The children were very engaged with learning how this affected the lives of the people in our own country. Within the workshop, Catherine shared with us a picture of Waltham Abbey High Street after it had been bombed. We also listened to an audio interview that she had made with a gentleman who, at 15 and was working as a mechanic on the day that the bomb dropped. Catherine conveyed to everyone that it was always important to consider many different experiences from the war for us to gain a good understanding of this period in history. The children were then asked to be history detectives. They were split into groups and were given objects to carefully look over, discuss what they noticed and then to decide what they thought it had been used for:

Jesse – 3B – "The most interesting thing was the events we learned about were all near here and we could see how the war affected people's lives."

Luke - 3G - "I think the workshop was really fun, and it was amazing that we could hold a model of a real life bomb!"



Year 3B Work On Fractions

Year 3 Biddle have been finding fractions of a number with coloured counters. Everyone put their counters into an array and then they manipulated the counters to show the fraction amount that Mrs Biddle requested.

Everyone enjoyed using the counters and found it interesting and a helpful way to help to understand fractions. Well done Year 3!



Year 2 Visit The Discover Storytelling Centre

Year 2 had an amazing trip to the Discover Storytelling Centre in Stratford where they visited the Box Rocket exhibition. They travelled to the incredible Planet Nan on a Box Rocket and helped collect missing words to create their stories and save the planet!



Year 3 & 4 Book Reviews

Both Years 3 and 4 wrote some excellent book reviews, Year 4 wrote about Roald Dahl books and drew beautiful illustrations of the stories and Year 3 wrote about any book of their choice. These book reviews have been compiled into two books which will be placed in the library for all children to access. We hope that this will support them in choosing a book which they can learn a little about, prior to reading it.









Year 5 Class Assembly

On Thursday 2 May, Year 5 children performed their class assembly on Christopher Columbus. It was a lot of fun and the children performed with confidence and flair. We all learnt a lot from it. Well done, Year 5.



Young Quills Competition 2024

A huge thank you to Felicity, Delilah, Valentina (Year 4), Elena, Poppy and Simran (Year 6) who volunteered to take part in this year's Young Quills 2024 competition run by the Historical Association. The children all chose to read a new historical fiction book selected by the Association for this year. There were many exciting new titles from different periods of history to choose from.

After reading their book, their job was to write a review. The reviews were sent off to the Historical Association for consideration and we will be informed which titles and authors have made the shortlist on their website soon. We were delighted to learn that Poppy's (Yr6) review of The Song Walker and Simran's review of Blackbeard's Treasure have made it onto the Historical Association's website for Young Quills 2024. The girls were thrilled that their review is available for so many people to consider. Well done.

All the children have been awarded House Points for their efforts. A selection of the new historical fiction books available will be added to the library so that others in the school may have the chance to enjoy them. Mrs Graves would like to thank all the pupils for their wonderful efforts.





Roald Dahl Museum Trip

On Thursday 2 May Year 4 travelled to Great Missenden to visit the Roald Dahl museum. When the children arrived they completed the village trail which included landmarks and inspiration from his stories such as the library from Matilda and the petrol pumps from Danny the Champion of the World. Pupils also walked a short distance up to the church where Roald Dahl is buried and viewed his memorial. The children enjoyed visiting the gift shop and choosing their items within their budget!

Everyone really enjoyed the workshop in the gallery, looking at artefacts from Roald Dahl's life and creating their own characters using a range of stimuli and mediums. The children were very well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the trip! Well done Year 4.



Year 6 William Morris Gallery Trip

The Year 6 children were pleased to spend the afternoon at the William Morris Gallery in Walthamstow. They walked around the galleries displaying artwork and information about various aspects of Morris' life and even got to try and decipher a letter he had written to his mother regarding his career choices.

They did well to share information that they knew about the Industrial Revolution and how this impacted on how William Morris produced his interior design pieces.

Each child made a two tone print from their own William Morris inspired ideas and we were very impressed by how their designs came to life once they'd been pressed. The children arrived back a little late due to heavy traffic but it was well worth it!





Reception Visit FSC Field Studies Centre Epping Forest

Our Reception class recently embarked on an exciting trip to the Field Studies Centre at Epping Forest, where they experienced adventure and discovery in the great outdoors. The children had a fantastic time walking through the forest, with the fresh air and towering trees. They embarked on a mini beast hunt, eagerly searching under rocks and leaves to find a variety of insects and tiny creatures. It was a delightful opportunity to learn about the different types of bugs that call the forest home.

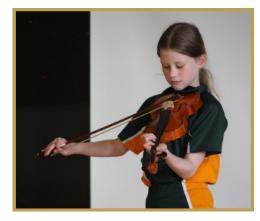
Reception gathered natural ingredients like leaves, petals, and twigs to create their own unique fairy potions, sparking their imaginations and encouraging creativity. Overall, the trip to Epping Forest was a huge success, filled with laughter, learning, and a deeper appreciation for nature. We can't wait for our next adventure!



Coopersale Hall School Talent Show

The KS2 children were all very excited to take part in our first ever House Talent Show. Frey in 3B very confidently introduced the show. It was excellent to see the wide range of talents from the pupils: piano playing, music tricks, flute playing, gymnastics, drama skits and comedy acts to name a few. A huge thank you to all of the children who took part and to the Heads of Houses for arranging the show. Mrs Jones was an excellent technician. A special mention goes to Rauf, our Head of Music, for coming up with the idea. It was a very memorable event!





FoCHS Update

We hope everyone has had a lovely Easter break and are now ready for a busy summer term of sports day, discos, living eggs and the return of our Summer Fest for children and families to enjoy a day of fun together!

Events

Upper Kindergarten have all been very excited by the arrival of 'Living Eggs' this term. These are chicken eggs which are housed in an incubator in their classroom so the children can watch and wait for the cute chicks to emerge and be given the opportunity to hold and stroke when they are strong enough. They also had delivery of caterpillars that they can see evolve into beautiful butterflies, their own living illustration of 'The Hungry Caterpillar'.

For the older children our second Moji disco was enjoyed by the children in Yrs. 2,3 and 4, we hope they all had fun dancing and playing games with their school friends. Next up is a Glow disco for Yrs. 5,6 and our new Yr. 7 which we hope will also be a great success.

Second-Hand Uniform

Purchasing second-hand uniform is one more way that we can all do our bit to help the environment and reduce waste, so we really appreciate your support.

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

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:<u>https://www.coopersalehallschool.co.uk/cooper-content/uploads/2022/02/CHS-Second-Hand-Uniform-Price-List.pdf</u>

We also 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 donate 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

Yr 3- Rachel Concadoro Yr 4- Nicola Wiley & Victoria Moyses Yr 5- Rachel Concadoro Yr 6- Sarah Cook & Jagdeep Chahil Yr 7- Gemma White & Angela Szucs You can also email us at <u>FoCHS@coopersalehallschool.co.uk</u> or speak to any members of the committee:

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.

Each year group has at least one FoCHS rep and the easiest way to get in touch is to message your year rep on WhatsApp:

LK- Billi M UK- Eleanor Fawcett, Rachel Concadoro & Sarah Ede Reception- Susan Tetherton Yr 1- Stacey Cummins Yr 2- Emma Plant Yr 3- Rachel Concadoro Yr 4- Nicola Wiley & Victoria Moyses Yr 5- Rachel Concadoro Yr 6- Sarah Cook & Jagdeep Chahil

Yr 7- Gemma White & Angela Szucs

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

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