

Copthorne C. of E. Junior NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th
October, 2025

"Creating Confident, Curious Learners with God's love"

What a fantastic half term we have had. It has been so wonderful to see all of the children settle quickly into their new year group, and enjoying their curriculum learning.

Reflecting on the half term, your children have already had so many opportunities for learning outside the classroom, external visitors, trips and visits plus two residential. Our outdoor classroom is being used, and I know this will become an area of the school that will be enjoyed throughout the year.

It was lovely seeing so many parents attending our first parent consultation evening, and I look forward to meeting more of you on Tuesday 4th November. It is so lovely to see you talking to the teachers about your child and how well they are doing.

I hope you have a lovely half term, spending quality time as a family, and enjoying the autumnal days out. Please remember that we have an INSET day on Monday 3rd November, so all children return on Tuesday 4th November.

Enjoy your holiday!

Mrs Denison



Our next parent/carer coffee morning is taking place on **Wednesday 5th November 2025 9-10am**. This is an opportunity for parent/carers to discuss how to support their child in developing friendships and social skills. There will be opportunities to share experiences and ask questions in this visual and interactive workshop.



For those who have not attended one before, this is an informal supportive group that is open to everyone, sharing experiences and finding solutions together.

Please email Miss Ash directly on sen@copthornejunior.co.uk if you are attending.



After months of not having a lollipop person helping children cross the road safely in Brookhill Road, it is with joy that I am sharing the news that one has been recruited. Mrs Yvonne Young, who is a grandparent of one of our pupils, will be starting after half term. I know this is something that we have been campaigning for since we lost our previous lollipop man.

Office Updates

Disabled parking Please can you only park in the disabled parking spot if you have a blue badge and it is displayed. There have been occasions where this space is being used by those not having this and stopping others from using it.



Parent consultations If you did not request a parent consultation in error, please contact the office as there are still a few available times on Tuesday 4th November.

IQ Christmas Cards Please remember to order your Christmas cards online. If you need any support, call

Attendance Update...

Attendance Matters

Our attendance at present is **94.5%**.
We aim to be at or above 96%.



At parent consultations, the teacher will share your child's attendance with you. I am happy to discuss this with you at that time if you have any concerns.

Please can you provide an appointment letter or show the appointment text for any dentist and medical appointments due to the excessive number of requests that we are receiving.

Week beginning 13th October 2025

Learner of the Week

Beech—Vinnie
Rowan— Michael
Chestnut— Omid
Willow—Jessica-Rae
Elm— Elle
Sycamore— Sabena
Maple— Camille
Oak— Mila

School Value Award of the Week— Courage

Beech—William
Rowan— Holly
Chestnut— Sienna
Willow— Jenson
Elm— Chloe
Sycamore— Eadi
Maple— Myles
Oak— Alfie

Next half term, the school value being focussed on is 'Creativity'. Children will have the opportunity to hang a flower, the symbol for Creativity, onto our Value's Tree by the school entrance.



Week beginning 20th October 2025

Citizen Award—Demonstrating all 5 school values at all times!

Beech — Toby
Rowan— Amelia
Chestnut— Stella
Willow — Lily
Elm— Gursikhya & Freya
Sycamore— Hope
Maple— Ella C
Oak— Izzy



Week beginning 20th October 2025

Star Learner

Beech— Zachary K
Rowan— Olivia
Chestnut— Theo
Willow — Rhys
Elm— Bobbie
Sycamore— Sophie
Maple— Alfie
Oak— Ava

Excellence in English Award

Beech— Mya
Rowan— Dylan
Chestnut— Abigail
Willow— Thea
Elm— Chloe
Sycamore— Ava P
Maple— Giuliana
Oak— Mollie

Mastery in Maths Award

Beech— Theodore
Rowan— Asa
Chestnut— Ayden
Willow — Bibo
Elm— Elyse & Ethan
Sycamore— Sophia A
Maple— Ella K
Oak— Bobby

Our new playground equipment...

Using the money raised last term with our smarties tube fundraiser, the Sports Captains organised our new equipment, which is being enjoyed by everyone in the school. A huge thank you goes to everyone who contributed—this has had a really positive impact on all children. Here are some thoughts about playtime from across the school...



"I like the new skipping ropes and I enjoy playing with the hula hoops."

"I am enjoying the playground equipment as it makes breaktimes fun."

"I really like the playground equipment and it is better having more so more of us can use it."

"The new balance boards are really good. They have a little ball in that you have to try and move though a maze on the board."

"I think playtimes are better as we can play with different things and there is variety. We will like the new skipping ropes as they are a good length."

I like the zones because it keeps the equipment away from children who are playing other games so they don't get hurt. The balance boards are really good fun because you can have fun with your friends and they are a bit of a puzzle."

"I like playing with my friends and skipping. I prefer the zones because when you are in the free play area you are able to play without equipment all over the place."

I like the hula hoops and skipping ropes. I also like the beanbags to throw into the buckets. I like the zones because they are separated so you know where to go to play with something."

"I like the playground equipment as everyone is looking after it so it is not broken. Everyone can use it."

Dates for your diary

- 27th –31st October 2025—HALF TERM
- 3rd November 2025 INSET DAY
- 4th November 2025—Parent consultations
- Week beg 3rd November 2025—RE week & Year 5/6 Lions Roar project
- 5th November 2025—Inclusion coffee morning
- 11th November 2025—Remembrance Service (school only)
- 14th November 2025—Children in Need
- 18th November 2025—Year 5 & 6 performance of Henry VIII and his 6 wives by Imberhorne Performing Arts group
- 19th November 2025—Open morning for prospective Year 3s
- 20th November 2025—Flu nasal vaccinations
- 21st November 2025—First aid for Year 4 & Year 6
- 2nd December 2025—Year 5 Bikeability (Year 6 is in Spring Term)
- 5th December 2025—Decorations Day and Reindeer Run
- 18th December 2025—Christmas Service (Parents welcome)
- 19th December 2024—Last day of term



A Big THANK YOU



For your Harvest donation
and for supporting East Grinstead foodbank.

Your donations make a BIG difference
to local people in crisis.



East Grinstead foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's UK wide foodbank network.

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We received this message from The East Grinstead Foodbank...

"Thanks to you and your school for your wonderful Harvest Collection for the Foodbank this year. Your generosity of 141kg has been truly inspiring and together we can make a difference for those in need. Thanks to your donations, we will be able to provide 59 meals and toiletries to those most in need in our community."

Achievements from outside school

We would like to celebrate your child's achievements and share these on future newsletters. Please email a picture and information to head@copthornejunior.co.uk

Sports News...

Football league 2025-26

Year 6 team:

Copthorne v Halford Park 1 1

Crawley Down v Copthorne 2 1



Year 5/6 team

Halsford Park v Copthorne 2 2

Copthorne v Crawley Down 10 0



Well done to all those who played.



If you would like to help with fundraising for our school, then join our fundraising committee. Contact the office to be invited to our next meeting.

Our school prayer

Dear God

*Bless our school so
that by working together, playing
together and learning together,
we may learn to serve you and
each other.*

Amen