

Copthorne C. of E. Junior Newsletter

Friday 23rd May
2025

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

Message from the Headteacher



It doesn't seem that long ago that I was welcoming the children back after Easter. Even though this half term has only been 5 weeks long, so much has happened! We have had visitors, trips, E-safety week, walk to school week, outdoor learning and much more.

A huge well done needs to go to each and every year 6 child, who gave their absolute best during SATs week—all of the staff are so proud of you! As a reward, I had the pleasure of organising a trip to Chessington alongside the Year 6 team. It was a fantastic day, and all of the children and staff had an amazing time.

Please see the dates for sports day (later in the newsletter). Apologies but we have had to move them one week earlier. The school calendar is bursting with events, unfortunately there was no other choice.

Have a lovely half term break, and enjoy precious family time. I really hope the sun shines, and the rain stays away! I look forward to see all of the children return on Monday 2nd June, refreshed and ready for their final half term of the academic year.

Mrs Denison

Dates for your diary



- 26th-30th May, 2025 - Half term
- 2nd June, 2025— Year 4 Mayan Day and drumming and Y6 drumming experience
- 5th June, 2025 —Ascension service (children only)
- 13th June, 2025 —Year 6 Magistrates experience
- 16th-20th June, 2025—RE week
- 16th June, 2025 —Year 3&4 sports day
- 18th June, 2025 —Year 5&6 sports day
- 24th June, 2025—Reserve sports day
- 30th June, 2025 Year 6 Diocese Leavers service
- 7th July 2025—whole school photograph
- 2nd July, 2025—Transition day
- 8th July, 2025—Year 5 Imberhorne Taster Day
- 9th July, 2025—Year 6 production
- 10th-11th July, 2025—Year 3 Copthorne Prep experience
- 19th July, 2025—Last day of term

Office Updates



Pick up arrangement messages –

Each class received their end of day messages at 3pm. Please ensure you call or email before this time so that your message can get to your child. The office becomes extremely busy after 3pm.

Preloved sale - Apologies for not holding the pre-loved sale as advertised. An alternative date will be advertised soon. In the meantime, if you need anything, email the office with sizes and we will find the items for you.

Our school prayer



Dear God



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

Amen

Week beginning 12th May 2025

Learner of the Week

Beech— Oliver
Rowan— Sienna
Chestnut— Joey
Willow— Andi
Elm— Myles
Sycamore— Izabella
Maple— Aasiya
Oak— Edie

School Value Award of the Week— Confidence

Beech — Finn
Rowan — Lina
Chestnut — Betsy
Willow — Ava
Elm — Tyler
Sycamore — Honee
Maple — Arthur
Oak— Hamid

Week beginning 19th May 2025

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

Beech — Jessica-Rae
Rowan— Sanaya
Chestnut— Emelia
Willow — Chloe
Elm— Owen
Sycamore— Oscar
Maple— Miley
Oak— Louie

Week beginning 19th May 2025

Star Learner

Beech— Eleanor
Rowan— Lorisa
Chestnut— Elyse
Willow — Henry
Elm— Krista
Sycamore— Alfie
Maple— Summer
Oak— Pietro

Excellence in English Award

Beech— Daisy
Rowan— Jake
Chestnut— Adhinav
Willow— Alfie
Elm— Mila
Sycamore— Fleur
Maple— James
Oak— Charlotte

Mastery in Maths Award

Beech— Quinn
Rowan— Joshua
Chestnut— Ethan
Willow — Sophie
Elm— Lola
Sycamore— Timothy
Maple— Arthur
Oak— Mollie

Next half term's value award...

Next half term, a child from each class will be recognised for demonstrating one of our school values — Courage, Creativity, Curiosity, Compassion or Confidence. Children will have the opportunity to hang a the symbol for the value onto our Value's Tree by the school entrance.

What's been going on in science in Year 5...



The children investigated the properties of different soil types to see which sample most resembled Marian soil. They then took their learning outdoors to make a working model of the solar system, also acting out the Earth/Moon's relationship to the sun.



Year 6 visit Chessington World of Adventures

After a week of SATs, Year 6 went on a memorable and well deserved trip to Chessington World of Adventures. Throughout the day, it was lovely to see the children supporting each other as they faced their fears

whilst riding the thrilling, stomach-churning rides. Everyone also enjoyed the calmer rides such as the Gruffalo experience and Tomb Blaster.

What a great day, full of smiles, screams and superb behaviour!



Sports News...

A team of Year 6 represented the school in the Countdown Cricket tournament against other Mid Sussex Schools. Mrs Huxley was impressed with how they played well as a team and their true sportsmanship. Well done!



Year 3 & 4 Sports Day — Monday 16th June

9.15am start until approximately 10.30am.

Year 5 & 6 Sports Day — Wednesday 18th June

9.15am start until approximately 10.30am.

Reserve date—Tuesday 12th June

ALL WELCOME!



Walk to school week...

Thank you to everyone for your involvement in walk to school week. The school council are currently collating the data. There was a noticeable difference in the number of children riding or scootering to school, as well as parking further from school and then walking the rest of the way. Don't forget helmets for riding to school please!



We are running the raffle at the Copthorne Carnival for a third year, with all proceeds going to the school. This will enable us to continue with enhancing our IT equipment and improving our learning environment and outdoor curriculum.

We have secured many wonderful prizes including...

1st prize—HP Laptop (donated by Virtual IT)

2nd prize—Afternoon Tea for 10 people from Lazee Graze

3rd prize—£50 Cherry Tree voucher

Tickets will be on sale after half term and the draw will take place on Monday 30th June, 2025. Every child will bring home an envelope containing tickets to sell. Please return the money collected or the unsold tickets to the office before Friday 20th June.

On sale from after half term...

Ice pops will be on sale Wednesdays and Fridays after school (weather permitting) for only 50p.

All proceeds will be used to purchase additional food technology resources.



Attendance Update...

Attendance Matters

Our attendance at present is **94.4%**. We aim to be at or above 96%.



There has been a huge increase in the number of children attending dentist appointments during school time. Please try and plan ahead for routine appointments and get them during the holidays or after school.

Achievements from outside school...



Jacob (Chestnut) won a football tournament and the Mid Sussex Cup Final with his team EG

Meads AC—what a busy weekend! A fantastic achievement, well done!

Grace and Hope (Willow) both passed their 7th Kyu at Karate, earning their second Green Belt (Green Stripe). That is amazing!



Ayden (Beech) achieved his first ever tennis tournament win, winning 7 out of 7 games. How impressive! Wimbledon, here you come!

Sofia (Beech) has been awarded the Cub Bronze Award for Scouts and also achieved 'Cub of the week' at her local Oak group. Well done, this is super!



Please email your child's achievements to Mrs Denison at head@copthornejunior.co.uk or via the School Office. I look forward to celebrating more outside achievements in future newsletters.