

Copthorne C. of E. Junior NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th
April, 2026

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

Message from the Headteacher

Welcome back! It has been so lovely to see everyone back, enjoying their learning re-energised after the Easter break.

Miss Walker and Mrs Bennett have joined our school community as our new Deputy and new SENDCo respectively, and they are really enjoying getting to know your children and meeting you on the gate. Thank you for making them feel so welcome.

The school is running the raffle at the Copthorne Carnival again this year. If you have any links to a business that would be able to donate a prize, please contact Mrs Hunter in the office.

We will be having a fundraising group meeting before half term and need new parents to help be part of this. Please let me know if you want to come along.

The school mobile phone policy has been finalised and is on the school website—under the key information tab/policies. Please read this carefully.

Due to the glorious weather at the moment, the children are enjoying using the field and the new garden areas.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Denison

Attendance Update...

Attendance Matters

Our attendance at present is **94.1%**. We aim to be at or above 96%.



Please think **before** booking any holidays or days out during term time. It is vital that your child attends school regularly and on time.

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

Dates for your diary



- 4th May, 2026—Bank Holiday Monday - no school
- 7th May, 2026—Ascension Service (children only)
- 11th-14th May, 2026 – Year 6 SATs week
- 19th May, 2026—Year 6 Chessington trip
- 25th-29th May, 2026 - Half term
- 1st June, 2026—INSET day
- 8th June 2026—whole school photograph
- 15th-19th June, 2026—RE week
- 15th June, 2026 — Year 4 Mayan Day and drumming and Y6 drumming experience
- 25th June, 2026—Athlete visit and fundraising day
- 1st July, 2026—Transition day
- Week beginning 6th July—Year 6 production
- 6th July, 2026—Year 6 Diocese Leavers service
- 6th July, 2026—Year 5 Imberhorne Day
- 7th July, 2026—Year 3 Tie-Dye session
- 9th-10th July, 2026—Year 3 Copthorne Prep experience
- Week beginning 13th July, 2026—Sports days (dates TBC)
- 21st July, 2026—Year 6 Leavers Service
- 22nd July, 2026—Last day of term

Week beginning 13th April 2026

Learner of the Week

Beech—Ava
Rowan – Skylar
Chestnut— Lucy
Willow—Jacques
Elm— Jacob
Sycamore— Jack W
Maple— Elayna
Oak— Theo

School Value Award of the Week— Confidence

Beech—Daisy
Rowan – Sanjay
Chestnut— Jacob S
Willow— Jesse
Elm— Noah
Sycamore— Grace
Maple— Rossi
Oak— Louisa

Week beginning 20th April 2026

Learner of the Week

Beech—Alexia
Rowan – Bronte
Chestnut— Finn
Willow—Florence
Elm— Gursikhya
Sycamore— Hope
Maple— Arthur
Oak— Izzy

School Value Award of the Week— Confidence

Beech—Ava
Rowan – Dylan
Chestnut— Lorissa
Willow— Emelia
Elm— Adhinav
Sycamore— Ava Sm
Maple— Ella K
Oak— Timothy

100 Club Draw

Congratulations to our March winners:

1st H Ivory 2nd N Rudland 3rd K Gunner

The office will be in touch with the winners regarding their prize next week. Contact the office to participate!



OMLETs competition

The competition for designing a waste free lunch poster has been extended.

Please encourage your child to be creative and support our three Year 5 children who are leading this for us.

Any completed posters, please hand in to the office so that the judging can commence.

The poster explaining the requirements is at the end of the newsletter.



Office Updates

Non-prescribed medication

Please do not send your child in with any non-prescribed medication such as cough sweets, creams, eye drops.



Lost property

Due to the vast amount of lost property, please ensure that every item is named. This will enable us to return the items to your child when found.

Summer activities letters/payments

Please send in the permission slips and payments for the summer activities. Printed forms are available in the office. All letters are saved on the website under the parent tab.

Summer pre-loved sale

Our summer wear—shorts, skirts and summer dresses—will be out on Friday 1st May after school. Other school wear will also be available. Donations gratefully received.

Changes to contact details

Please update the office so our records can be changed.

What's been going on in Year 3...

Year 3 Trip to the British Wildlife Centre

On Tuesday 21st, Year 3 had an incredible day out visiting the British Wildlife Centre in Lingfield. They were excited to see some super-fast red squirrels up close, a ferocious Scottish wildcat called Braveheart, a very dozy (but very cute) Groggu the hedgehog, some super-slick otters as well as a couple of crazy polecats ... and let's not forget the tawny owl called Yoda!



The children were superbly behaved throughout, showing off all the school's values wonderfully throughout - especially curiosity, asking some amazing questions to learn more about the lives, habitats and how to help better protect all the native animals of the British Isles.



It was a fantastic day out and one I know the children are keen to repeat with friends and family soon.



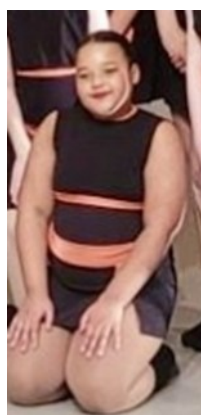
Sports News...

Get Active Event

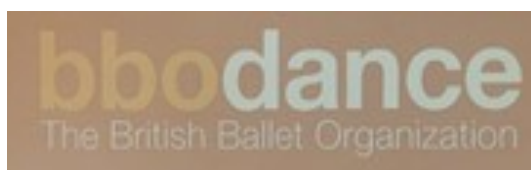
On Wednesday, a group of year 5 children went to the Kings Centre in East Grinstead for an action-packed afternoon of sport. The children were able to have a go at gymnastics, martial arts, JOLF, dance and Frisbee golf. A great afternoon of fun and giving everything a go.



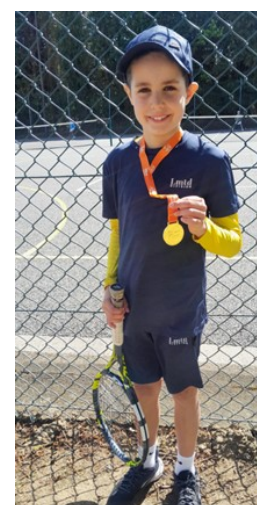
Achievements from outside school



Sabena (Sycamore) took part in her first ever competition at Elmhurst Ballet School with her dance academy Leaps and Beats. Out of over 1000 entries they placed 2nd. What an amazing achievement - well done!



Ayden (Chestnut) has been selected for county tennis training. He also has won a tennis tournament this month. Next stop Wimbledon! Keep it up, we are so proud!



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

DESIGN A WASTE FREE LUNCH POSTER

WE
ARE
FROM
OMLETS!

(Not eggs!)

Do Your Bit!

Hand in your
entries to your
teacher

We will be
competing
against 7 other
schools!

Let's go home
with...

Hand in by
Wednesday after
EASTER!

What could the
poster include?

- Bright and colourful
- Healthy snacks and food
- No wrapping
- Include leftovers (Pasta, tortilla, quiche)
- include a message about what waste is doing to the world.

NEWS FLASH!

- 1.90 billion pieces of plastic are are wasted yearly in the U.K!
- 1.3 billion tonnes of rubbish, such as food are thrown away in the U.K!



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Monday 4th May 2026

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