



# Coppice Primary School

19<sup>th</sup> December 2019

## Dates for your diary

### December

20<sup>th</sup> Term ends

### January

6<sup>th</sup> Children return  
Y5 Bikability

15<sup>th</sup> 7.30 PTFA meeting

22<sup>nd</sup> Reception trip

24<sup>th</sup> 3CS Class assembly

31<sup>st</sup> 2KS Class assembly

### February

4<sup>th</sup> AM Reception phonics  
workshop

5<sup>th</sup> PM Reception phonics  
workshop

PTFA film night

12<sup>th</sup> Parents' evening

13<sup>th</sup> Parents' evening

14<sup>th</sup> 5F Class assembly

School breaks up

24<sup>th</sup> Children return

### March

2<sup>nd</sup> 6S Inspire

4<sup>th</sup> 6C Inspire

6<sup>th</sup> Ski trip leave

10<sup>th</sup> AM 3CS Inspire

PM 3I Inspire

Year 1 trip

13<sup>th</sup> 2M class assembly

14<sup>th</sup> Ski Trip returns

20<sup>th</sup> 2.45pm Reception

Mothers' Day  
assembly

24<sup>th</sup> AM Y1 Inspire

25<sup>th</sup> PM Y1 Inspire

31<sup>st</sup> 2M Inspire

### April

1<sup>st</sup> 2KS Inspire

2<sup>nd</sup> School breaks up

3<sup>rd</sup> School Closed –  
training day

20<sup>th</sup> Children return

27<sup>th</sup> Year 5 residential

28<sup>th</sup> AM 4F Inspire

29<sup>th</sup> PM reception maths  
workshop

## News

Well done to our pupils who sang at the carol service in Lichfield last Monday - you were all fantastic— thank you to Mrs Bridge, Mrs Stokes and Miss O'Boone for organising our choir and preparing them for this event. Well done also to Sienna in Year 6 who read so well and clearly.

I would like to thank all those that came to support the children in their Christmas services this year.

It was lovely to have the nativity story told by the children from reception and year 1. They did a fantastic job reminding us of the reason for the season.

Years 2 and 3 went to Four Oaks Methodist church and they received a lot of positive comments on their professionalism and the excellent behaviour. Years 4, 5 and 6 stayed at school this year and were joined by Donald Campbell from Sutton Baptist and again received a lot of positive comments on the quality of their singing and speech. The retiring collections raised over £400 and school council have chosen to support the Wildlife Trust and Crisis Homeless charities – many thanks for your generous contributions.

On behalf of the school I would like to thank everyone involved in organising the PTFA Christmas Market. They make it look very easy but it does not happen without a lot of effort from all involved.

The pantomime was a great success once again and I must congratulate the children on their behaviour. They really are a credit to their school and it was a pleasure to take them. I wish you all a Happy Christmas and hope you all have a good break.

## Eco Club bring and buy

Eco club will be holding a bring and buy sale on January 14<sup>th</sup> to raise money to adopt an animal from an endangered species. They are asking for any unwanted toys over Christmas to be bought into school on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

## Late items into school

There can be times when parents forget to send items with their children in the morning and these are then delivered to the office staff during the day to deliver to the classrooms. Whilst the office staff are more than happy to do this, there have been occasions recently where parents have been quite aggressive in their tone and language if something is not done quickly enough. If something arrives late because you have forgotten it then please be patient as both staff and teachers are involved in their work and will endeavour to deliver the item when it is possible.

I would also ask parents to treat all members of the community with the courteous respect that is due to them. Many thanks.

## JO JINGLES CLASS TEACHER POSITION

### AVAILABLE

Is there anyone out there who fancies earning a bit of extra money whilst still being able to do the school run every day?

If you have a friendly and welcoming personality and you enjoy music and working with children then this opportunity could be for you?

All classes are term time only and during the school day.

Full training will be given.

A car is a necessity.

If you think this opportunity may be for you then please contact Donna on 07867 784748 or message me on [jojinglesuttoncoldfield@outlook.com](mailto:jojinglesuttoncoldfield@outlook.com). Or grab me for a chat whilst on the school run.....I'm there every day!

[www.jojingles.com/suttoncoldfield](http://www.jojingles.com/suttoncoldfield)



## Car Seats

Children must normally use a car seat until they're 12 years old or 135 centimetres tall, whichever comes first.

Children over 12 or more than 135cm tall must wear a seat belt. For further information see [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) under "child car seats, the law"

## Adverse Childhood Experiences

There is a quite rightly a growing focus on how schools can best support children around mental health and their emotional needs. As a school we have recently had 3 members of staff trained as Mental Health First Aiders and in April staff will receive training on how we can become a 'trauma informed and attachment aware school.'

All staff are currently undergoing training on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) to gain a greater understanding on how we can best support where necessary. ACEs are stressful events occurring in childhood including:-

- domestic violence
- parental separation or divorce
- a parent with a mental health condition
- being the victim of abuse (physical, sexual and/or emotional)
- being the victim of neglect (physical and emotional)
- a member of the household being in prison
- growing up in a household in which there are adults experiencing alcohol and drug use problems.

When children are exposed to adverse and stressful experiences, it can have a long-lasting impact on their ability to think, interact with others and on their learning. As a school, we have seen the positive impact that can be had where there is a greater understanding around the reasons for behaviours that can be displayed.

Should you wish to find out more about ACEs then there is a link on our website under the 'Keeping Safe' tab.

It will take about 50 minutes.

## Attendance

Congratulations to **2KS** for having the highest attendance since returning in September. They achieved **98.31%** attendance with **3I** coming second at **98.08%**. Attendance at Coppice is something we have traditionally done really well but recently we have had increasing numbers of parents take their children out of school for holidays. Evidence shows that missing school on a regular basis will have a significant impact on the grades your child will achieve at both primary and secondary school.

## Names in Uniform

Please make sure all your child's clothes are named. The amount of lost property is already building up!