

# Coppice Academy Newsletter

12th July 2024



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**Dates:** 19/07/24 School closes for Summer holidays at 1.30pm

## Reminder



Just a reminder that we will be closing for the summer holidays on Friday 19th July 2024 at 1.30pm.

## Retirement

Some parents/carers may already be aware but our long-standing colleague and friend Mr Chesters will be retiring at the end of this term.

Mr Chesters has been with the Coppice for 23 years. His expertise, care and professionalism have made a hugely significant impact on the school and we are extremely sad to lose Mr Chesters' knowledge and insight. A very wide range of our children, parents/carers and staff have greatly benefitted from his time at the Coppice and I know that you will be very sorry to see him leave our family.

We are sure that you will join us on behalf of the whole school community in wishing Mr Chesters every happiness for his new and exciting road ahead.

This is not goodbye, but see you soon!



## Leavers and Arrivals

Mrs Jones our Communication Support Worker will also be leaving our family at the end of this term. Mrs Jones has been at the Coppice for the last 2 years. Mrs Jones has brought a great wealth of knowledge to the Coppice. She will be missed greatly and we wish her every success in her new role, we are sure she will be amazing!

A member of our Academy Council Mrs Glenys Gill has left our family after 7 and a half years. She has been very committed and worked tirelessly behind the scenes. We would like to thank her for her dedication and contribution to our Academy.

Mr Neil Hamilton has been elected as the Chairman of the Academy Council and Mrs Cynthia Eaton was named as the temporary Vice Chair. Congratulations to both Mr Hamilton and Mrs Eaton, we are sure they will be fantastic in their new roles.

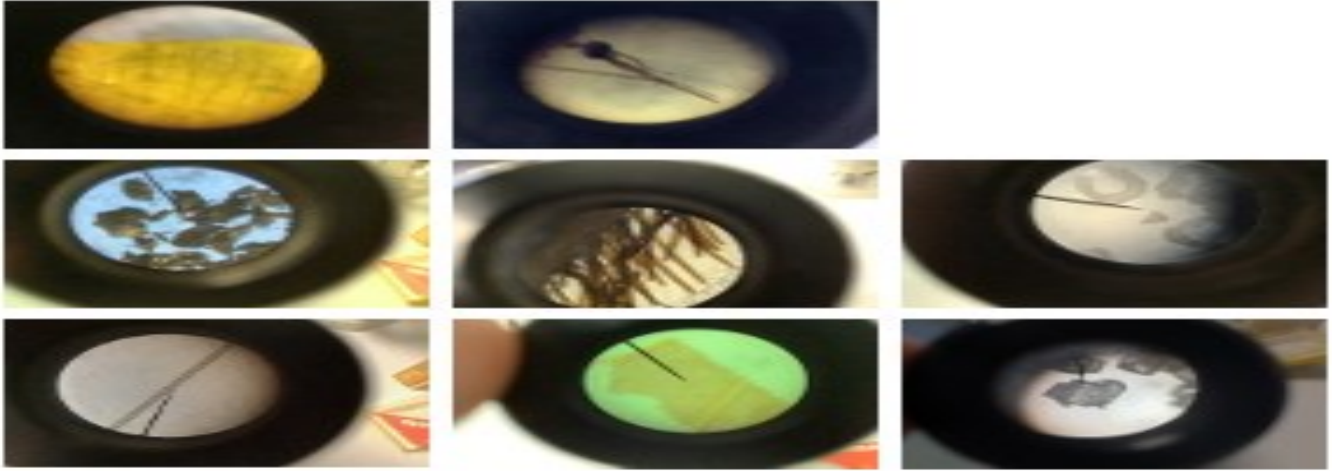
We would also like to welcome Mrs Barton — Blake who will be joining our teaching staff in September.

## Science—Microscope Skills

This week in science students have been discovering the historical developments of the microscope.

They then looked at different everyday objects under the microscope.

Can you identify from the photos salt, sugar, iron, butterfly wing, buttercup leaf, peacock feather, Mrs Wells' hair, the mosquito head?



## Reports

End of Year Reports for students have been sent via Parent Mail today.



## Reminder about payment for school lunches

Just a reminder for parents/carers who have children who have school lunches to please log on to your Parent Pay account and settle any amounts owing before the end of term.

Thank you!



## Issue of the week

The week beginning 15th July we will be discussing the following Issue of the Week during tutor time.

# THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

## Should everyone be first aid trained?

- How much first aid training have you had?
- Do you feel confident about giving first aid in an emergency?
- What are the pros and cons of everyone receiving proper first aid training?

## Reminder — School Uniform

As we reach the end of term, we would like to take the opportunity to revisit the uniform expectations.

Uniform is an important part of a school's identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps allow students to feel pride in their school. It also helps prepare students for life after school where many will have to dress smartly for work.

It would be fair to say that, in the last few months, we have had a number of interpretations of the uniform and therefore in preparation for September we would like to clarify our uniform policy so that items are not bought in error and to keep the cost of replacements to a minimum.

The uniform policy is available on the website for further reference, but please see the additional guidance below:

### Uniform



\*Green jumper or cardigan

\*White polo T-shirt or shirt

\*Black or grey trousers or skirt

\*Flat all black shoes (non branded)  
(NO canvas and NO white soles)



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\*If you would like to play football at break times please bring a pair of trainers with you.

\*One pair of small stud earrings in ears is allowed and a watch (no other jewellery).

\*No make up, nail varnish or gel/false nails please.

### Hair

Hair that is longer than shoulder length must be tied back at all times. All hair accessories to be school colours (green, black or white) that are functional and not fashionable.

NO tramlines in hair or eyebrow shaving allowed at any time.

### PE kit



\*Black shorts or jogging bottoms

\*Black sweatshirt

\*White round neck T-shirt,

\*Trainers NOT plimsolls.

\*Roll-on deodorant, NO aerosol deodorants please.

Uniform can be purchased from:

<https://myclothing.com/coppice-academy/11409.school>



## Communication

In recent years, communications between home and school have shifted quite dramatically from pen and paper to email, with email becoming the preferred and predominant mode of communication.

Email provides us with a quick, efficient and easy means of communication. As a result, it is used for a wide range of communications. The ease of communication via email has many advantages but there is an increasing expectation for an almost instantaneous reply.

As a school, our first priority is to deliver high quality teaching and learning. On any one day a teacher will have a plethora of demands on their time including up to five hours of teaching (and tutor time, lunch duties and activities, after school training and meetings). Teachers cannot and are not expected to monitor and manage their inbox during lessons or at other times in the day, when they should be planning and preparing for lessons, assessing student work or carrying out school duties.

We are recommending that parents/carers contact the Academy via the office email, NOT via individual staff email. Our email address is [office@coppice.set.org](mailto:office@coppice.set.org). Parents/carers and external service providers are welcome to contact all school staff through this central point. All emails are treated with full confidentiality and can be forwarded to staff as appropriate. Parents should be aware that if the communication is urgent or a child protection and safety issue they should contact the school by telephone.

As of September 2024 all email communication is to go through the central point of the office email ([office@coppice.set.org](mailto:office@coppice.set.org)).

## Premiere League Kicks



Premier League

**Kicks**

# FREE DISABILITY YOUTH CLUB

We now offer a fun and exciting youth club for males and females aged 12-18 with disabilities and additional needs.

The session includes a mix of activities such as; pool, FIFA, colouring, games, sport and much more!



WHEN | LAST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH



TIME | 5:00 - 6:30PM



WHERE | TOMMY CHEADLE'S, ENTRANCE C, ST6 IAW



COST | FREE!



FOR AGES | 12-18 YEARS OLD

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK



SCAN ME



## Summer 24 HAF Programme



Staffordshire County Council

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

SCAN ME!



**Book Now**

**Holiday Activities and Food**

Funded for children and young people aged 5-16 who get free school meals\*. Paid places also available.

[staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities)

## Summer Holiday SEN Sessions



**THE PLAY BARN**  
@ ROUND MEADOWS FARM

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS  
SEN SESSIONS**

**24 JULY  
8 AUG  
23 AUG** | **2:30**

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A DEDICATED SEN SESSION EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES. THE SESSION WILL HAVE REDUCED CAPACITY AND LOWERED BACKGROUND MUSIC

PLEASE BOOK ONLINE

[WWW.PLAYBARNRMF.CO.UK](http://WWW.PLAYBARNRMF.CO.UK)

## Disability Multi-Sports Day at PVFC



**DISABILITY  
MULTI-SPORTS  
DAY**

Participate in several engaging sport activities catered for those with additional needs or disabilities in the Port Vale Foundation sports hall.

**TUESDAY 6TH AUGUST  
TUESDAY 13TH AUGUST**

- £10 per person, per day
- Both male and female participants welcome
- Strategy & Teamwork Exercises
- Fun games & Activities

**Tuesday 6th August**  
12-16 years old  
10AM-2PM

**Tuesday 13th August**  
12-16 years old  
10AM-2PM

Port Vale Football Club,  
Hamill Rd,  
Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 1AW



Registration Link  
[bit.ly/PVFCsessions](http://bit.ly/PVFCsessions)

## Yarn Bombing



**Yarn Bombing**

**AT NEWCASTLE LIBRARY**

Join the Castle Yarn Bombers at Newcastle Library for two fun, creative, crochet sessions:

**Saturday August 10th 10am-2pm**  
**Saturday August 17th 10am-2pm**

Both are FREE and drop-in and perfect for families.  
\*Parents need to stay with the children please\*

Help the Yarn Bombers to make a giant crochet caterpillar and design your own windmill to take away.



## Lost Property

The following items have been found and have not been claimed. If the item belongs to your child please either ring the office or email in - we would love to reunite them with their owners.



### Safeguarding Contact

#### Staffordshire

Staffordshire Childrens Advice and Support Services (SCASS) :  
0300 111 8007 Option 1

Outside office hours: 0345 6042886

#### Stoke-on-Trent

Advice and Referral Team:  
01782 235100

Outside office hours: 01782 234234

#### Cheshire East

Referral Team : 0300 123 5012  
Option 2

Outside office hours: 0300 123 5022

#### Shropshire

Referral Team: 01743 254 259

Initial Contact Team: 0345 678 9021

Outside office hours: 0345 678 9040

## LUNCH MENU WEEK COMENCING 15TH JULY 2024

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Available Daily:</b>  - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna fillings  - Freshly made sandwiches with a choice of Cheese, Ham, Egg Mayonnaise or Tuna fillings	Main	Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Sticky Chicken with Rice	Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Fishfingers with Chips
	Vegetables	Baked Beans	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Salad	Mushy Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Chocolate Brownie with Chocolate Custard	Iced Biscuit	Sponge and Custard	Jelly or Lemon Drizzle Sponge	Oaty Cookie
		Or a choice of Fruit Bags or Yoghurt available daily				