

# Coppice Academy Newsletter

15th March 2024



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## Dates:

22/03/2024

School closes for  
Easter Holidays

08/04/2024

School reopens after  
Easter holidays

15/04/24

School closed for Inset  
Day

03/05/24

School closed for Inset  
Day

06/05/24

School closed for Bank  
Holiday

24/05/24

School closes for Half  
Term

03/06/24

School reopens after  
Half Term

19/07/24

School closes for  
Summer Holidays at  
1.30pm

## Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening last night. It was lovely to see you all and welcome you back into the Academy again. We hope you enjoyed hearing how your child has progressed since our last Parents' Evening in December. The atmosphere was so positive, happy and collaborative - genuinely like a family. The staff were buzzing at the relationship there is between us. The link of home and school working together for the benefit of your child is of great importance, so thank you for your continued support.



## Red Nose Day

Today, students and staff wore items of red clothing to show their support for Comic Relief.

Students in maths did problem solving challenges using spaghetti and marshmallows making towers with them! In English students learnt about the effects of homelessness in the UK and around the world as this is one of the key themes of Comic Relief this year.

We have raised a fantastic **£150.10**

A big thank you and well done to everyone for your support and donations!

**THANK YOU**  
for supporting Red Nose Day



## Assembly with Spruce

As part of our Comic Relief activities today, Spruce class led our assembly. Each student told us a little bit about Comic Relief and the organisations it helps to fund. It was really great to find out whether donations will be going and the important work that charities do to help different groups within our society. We were really proud of Spruce students who were very brave and did a great job.



## Progress Reports

Progress reports for your child were sent out via Parent Mail on Monday.



## British Science Week

This week British Science Week took place at The Coppice.

Students in Key Stage 3 were tasked with helping Mrs Wells make the best fruit jelly and creamiest ice creams.

Students discovered fresh pineapple is no good for jelly making as it has enzymes which stop the jelly from setting. Tinned pineapple is ok as the enzymes have been destroyed when the fruit is canned.

Students found they could use salt and ice to freeze the water particles hiding between the fat particles in milk. As they shook their bags of flavoured milk over the salt and ice mix their liquid milk turned to solid ice cream.

As always, the best bit was the taste test.

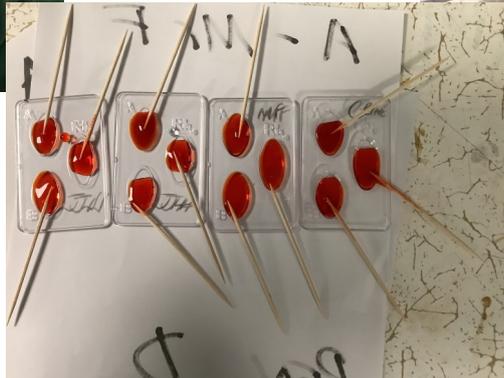
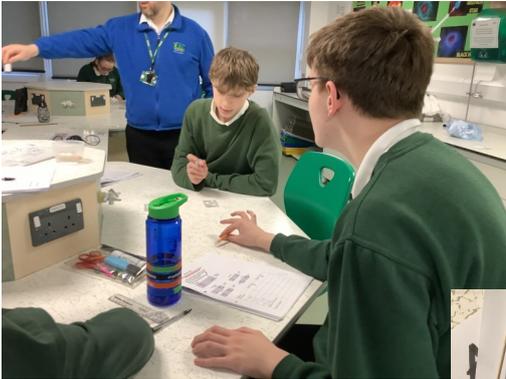
Some students have asked for the recipe which is in the link below.

[Instant Ice Cream activity - Science Museum Group Learning](#)



## Science with Holly Class

The forensic detection continues into who stole Mrs Wells' penguin bars. On Thursday Holly investigated the blood left at the scene. They tested which blood group A B AB and O was left by the suspect and made comparisons to samples taken from the people who were associated with the crime scene.



## Enrichment—Social Games

During Social games enrichment last week students participated in a 'slumber party'. Students were invited to play slumber party type games picked from a hat. They engaged with karaoke, sleeping lions (parachute game) and newspaper runway and hair dryer tennis. All students were highly involved and showing their confident silly sides, whilst supporting their friends and working in teams. Well, done students in social games enrichment!



## Ilympics

Last week in iPad skills we ran the ilympics Game. Pupils used their iPads to compete against each other in events, such as 'artchery' where they had to draw the most realistic drawing of archery, synchronised filming, where they had to shoot separate films of the same item and make it as synchronised as possible, and also the AirDrop relay where the teams of four had to AirDrop pictures from one to the other to get across the room. The students all had fun doing something different with the iPads.



## Listen Up Speak Up

**NSPCC**

**Listen up  
speak up**

**Free training to help**

**keep children safe**

It's up to all of us to keep children safe. That's why we're encouraging every adult in the UK to take our 10-minute digital training.

Our **Listen up, Speak up** training will show some signs a child might be at risk, and what you can do to help.

Sign up to our 10-minute digital training:  
[nspcc.org.uk/speakup](https://nspcc.org.uk/speakup)



## Issue of the week

The week beginning 18th March we will be discussing the following Issue of the Week during tutor time.

# THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

Would you know how to support a friend who came out as trans or non-binary?

- Is it easy to know how to support your friends?
- How much do you know about being an ally to others?
- What support might people need when they come out?

## Disability Event on 27/04/24 at Staffordshire University

Students from Staffordshire University are running an event for the disabled on Saturday 27th April as part of their course. They are asking people to come along and enjoy the day that they have planned out. They are working with the University as they are running an Open Day this day for disability awareness, and will run this session between 10am—2pm. Stoke Spitfires will be there running a wheelchair basketball session for 2 hours from 10pm -12pm and the university students will be running Netball from 12.30pm - 1.45pm. If you would like to take part in the sessions then please turn up on the day.

### Safeguarding Contact

#### Information

#### 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 18TH MARCH 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	Carbonara Pasta	Mexican Beef with Rice	Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Pie with Roast Potatoes	Fishfingers with Chips and Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day		Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Desert of the Day	Desert of the Day	Desert of the Day	Desert of the Day	Desert of the Day
		Or a choice of Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit available daily				