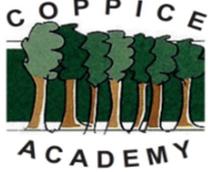


Coppice Academy Newsletter

22nd March 2024



Tel: 01782 973500

Email: office@coppice.set.org

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

Easter Break



Wow, the spring term has passed by so quickly and now we look forward to the Easter holidays. Before we break up, I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for your continued support during this term.

This term there have been some fantastic lessons taking place and students have been learning and working very hard to make good progress, plus some great sporting events and visits.

Next term will undoubtedly be even busier with some of our students sitting their GCSE examinations and others finishing off work for their accreditations, plus more sporting events and visits taking place.

Just a reminder that the Academy will be closed to students on Monday 15th April for our Inset day.

I hope you and your families enjoy a restful Easter break. Let's hope the sun shines and we can enjoy time together with our families and hopefully get some Easter eggs. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 8th April 2024 at 8.40am

Mrs Ahearn

Key Stage 3 Carousel

Just a reminder that the carousel changes for next term. Please check the timetable below to see when your child needs to bring the appropriate equipment to lessons.

	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	
	P4	P5	P4	P5	P4	P5	P4	P5
Elm	Food Theory	Food Theory	Cooking	Cooking	DT	DT	Music	ILWS
Rosewood	Cooking	Cooking	DT	DT	Forest School	Forest School	Food Theory	Food Theory
Oak	DT	DT	Forest School	Forest School	Music	ILWS	Art	Art
Birch	Music	ILWS	Food Theory	Food Theory	Cooking	Cooking	Forest School	Forest School
Ash	Art	Art	Science	Science	Food Theory	Food Theory	Cooking	Cooking
Pine	Forest School	Forest School	Music	ILWS	Art	Art	DT	DT

Newcastle's Big Spring Clean

Students from the Coppice were invited to take part in Newcastle's Big Spring Clean. On Tuesday, students from Elm and Spruce classes took up the challenge and helped to tidy up the local community with the council and a special guest Orinoco from the Wombles! Students did a fabulous job and collected 3 bags of rubbish. Well done to all involved!



Design and Technology

This term Elm and Birch have been making their own wooden toy cars and have been testing them out for their evaluation. They were able to practise using tenon saws, coping saws, the pillar drill, the vertical sander and choose between a variety of finishes to create their cars. The students loved racing their finished product down the corridors!



Enrichment

During Aspire Enterprise enrichment sessions this term, students have been making playdough using flour, water, oil and colouring whilst also creating displays and fundraising around the Academy for Comic Relief.



World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD)

On Thursday, some of our students wore odd socks to show their support for World Down Syndrome Day. World Down Syndrome Day is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012.



Newcastle in Bloom

Sycamore class have been spending this term showing their creativity and brush stroke skills painting these beautiful pictures of flowers, gardens and nature. These pictures are going to be entered into this year's Newcastle in Bloom Children's Painting Competition. This year's competition is called 'Go Bloomin Green' with the important theme of looking after our environment and sustainability. We think you will agree that all these pictures are winners!



Indoor Cricket Event

On Wednesday, 11 Key Stage 3 and 4 students represented the Coppice during an indoor Cricket event at Fenton Manor.

Students displayed their fantastic sportsmanship supporting their opponents and teammates throughout the tournament. Whilst the Coppice were beaten on this occasion, we look forward to competing against other schools in the future.



Netball Event

On Wednesday 13th March, 17 girls from Girls Sports Club went to Fenton Manor to take part in a Netball tournament competing against 6 other schools. We didn't win but the positive behaviour and fantastic team effort is something we are very proud of.



Assembly with Holly Class

Today's assembly was about World Poetry Day, so of course the first part of assembly was in rhyme! Holly class read out this poem:

Welcome to assembly, we just wanted to say

It's going to be about WORLD POETRY DAY.

It happens in March every single year,

And people around the world think of poems they hold dear.

Poems are exciting, they are happy, they are sad,

They can be about things that are good or that are bad.

Poems can tell stories, some poems are funny,

Some poems make their writers lots and lots of money.

There are lots of British poets such as Edward Lear,

William Blake, WH Auden and William Shakespeare.

Many poems have a rhythm, some of them rhyme,

But the end of this one doesn't.

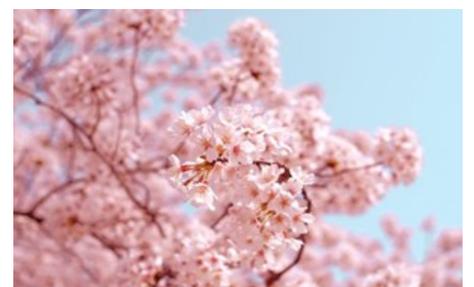
Mrs Jones then read out a brand-new poem by the poet laureate, Simon Armitage. It is all about blossom and ends like this:

The trees wore flowers in their hair, and on the hill you stopped to stare

At blackthorn, apple cherry, pear.

And blossom blossomed everywhere, and everywhere and everywhere –

Apple, cherry, blackthorn, pear.



Enjoy looking at the beautiful pink and white blossom when you are out and about in the holidays!

Winners of the Staffordshire FA Ability Counts Football League

On Sunday, Joshua, Daniel and Declan along with the rest of the Stoke City Reds team played their last 2 league games of the season at Burton Albion. They won both games with Joshua scoring 5 goals throughout the day's matches.

After playing 20 games, Stoke City Reds managed to finish the season without conceding a single game, the first time that has happened in 15 years! The whole team were so happy to bring home the Staffordshire FA Ability Counts League cup back to Stoke and were presented with league medals. The team have all worked so hard this season and the win was well deserved. Next month is the start of the Cup games, so hopefully they can bring home another for the trophy cabinet.

What an amazing achievement—well done!



Easter half-term events at Newcastle Library

THE GRUFFALO IN THE LIBRARY

Join in the fun with our Gruffalo event at Newcastle Library.

Friday 5th April, 2024
11 am - 12 pm
12 pm - 1 pm

Free Booking Required

Call: 01782 485311

email: newcastle.library@staffordshire.gov.uk

Children's Easter Crafts

Making bunny masks, bunny bonnets and Easter window art.

At Newcastle Library

Wednesday 27th March
11 am - 12 pm

Booking Essential at counter or call: 01782 485311 or email: newcastle.library@staffordshire.gov.uk

F(able): Fierce Fairytales for the Next Generation of Heroes!

with Helena Ascoug

Suitable for children age 5 - 11

F(able): Fierce Fairytales for the Next Generation of heroes is a funny, uplifting and modern theatrical retelling of fairytales, where disabled characters are the heroes!

Wednesday 27th March
Stone Library 11am
Newcastle Library 3.30pm

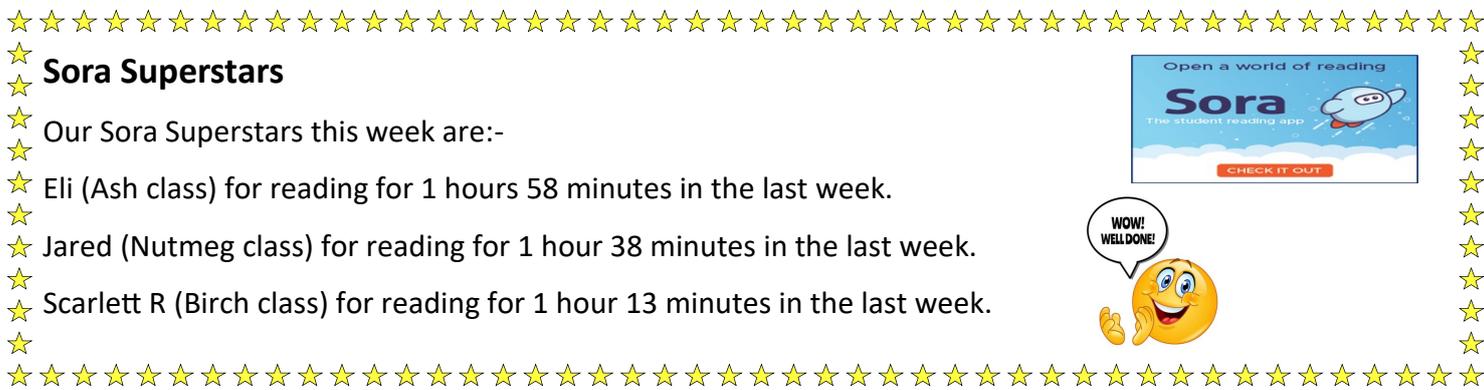
FREE - Please Book

FRONTLINE dance

FAIRYTALES FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF HEROES

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

YOUR voice Staffordshire County Council



Sora Superstars

Our Sora Superstars this week are:-

- Eli (Ash class) for reading for 1 hours 58 minutes in the last week.
- Jared (Nutmeg class) for reading for 1 hour 38 minutes in the last week.
- Scarlett R (Birch class) for reading for 1 hour 13 minutes in the last week.



Issue of the week

The week beginning 8th April we will be discussing the following Issue of the Week during tutor time.

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

Would more play reduce stress?

- What do you do to switch off from the different types of stress in your life?
- Do you feel like play is still an important part of your life?
- How many activities do you do purely for enjoyment?

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 8TH APRIL 2024						
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Available Daily: - 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	Cheese Whirl with Mashed Potatoes	Penne Bolognaise with Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken with New Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Greek Chicken Wrap with Rice, Tzatziki and Salad	Fishfingers with Chips
	Vegetables	Baked Beans	Roasted Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Salad	Mushy Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Sponge and Custard	Apple Crumble with Ice Cream	Chocolate Krispie Cake	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Vanilla Shortbread
	Or a choice of Fruit Bags or Yoghurt available daily					