

Coppice Academy Newsletter



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9th October 2026

Dates:

22/10/2026

School closes for Half Term

23/10/2026

School closed for Inset Day

02/11/2026

School reopens after Half Term

27/11/2026

School closed for Inset Day

18/12/2026

School closes for Christmas break at 1.30pm

04/01/2027

School reopens after Christmas holidays

11/02/2027

School closes for Half Term

12/02/2027

School closed for Inset Day

22/02/2027

School reopens after Half Term

25/03/2027

School closes for Easter Holidays at 1.30pm

12/04/2027

School reopens after Easter holidays

30/04/2027

School closed for Inset Day

03/05/2027

School closed for Bank Holiday

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Reminder

Next week will be Red week for all Key Stage 3 classes.

RED WEEK

Meet the Tutor

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our KS3 Meet the Tutor event on Wednesday morning and our KS4 Meet the Tutor event on Thursday morning this week. It was wonderful to welcome you into school, and we hope you found the session informative and helpful.

Strong partnerships between home and school make all the difference, and we truly appreciate you taking the time to connect with us. If you have any follow-up questions for your child's tutor, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.



Issue of the week

The week beginning 12th October we will be discussing the following Issue of the Week during tutor time.



World Mental Health Day

On World Mental Health Day staff wore yellow clothing/ribbons. All students have focussed on their emotional well-being during PSHE lessons this half-term, discussing ways to support their own emotional wellbeing and that of others. Below are some ideas they could use.

If you, or anyone you know, are struggling with their mental health and emotional wellbeing, support can be found at the websites below.



www.mind.org.uk/get-involved/world-mental-health-day/

www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/campaigns/world-mental-health-day

NHS Talking Therapies: Free, short-term psychological treatments (such as cognitive behavioural therapy) for common issues like low mood, stress, and anxiety. You can self-refer online or via your local GP surgery.

Reminder for KS3 Students Only

Please see below which day and week your child's class has cooking. Students will need to bring a suitable, clearly labelled container to transport their food home. A plastic container with a secure, well-fitting lid works best (for example, an empty sweet container). To enable students to participate fully in their cooking lessons and to bring home their finished dishes to share and enjoy, we kindly request a contribution of £2 per lesson to cover the cost of ingredients. Payments can now be made weekly or termly via ParentPay, as we no longer accept cash payments in school.

Week 1 (Red)

Monday - Birch

Tuesday - Oak

Wednesday - Sycamore

Thursday - Elm

Week 2 (Blue)

Tuesday - Rosewood

Wednesday - Ash



KS3 Science Joule Island

KS3 were set the task below on the left and on the right below is some of the amazing work produced which is now on our WOW Wall.

Amazing!



What are renewable energy resources?

Learning outcome: To use knowledge of renewable resources to plan an island for scientists to live

How confident are you?

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Read

Joule Island is set in a remote location 200 miles from the coast of India.

- It has a hot climate
- During August and September, it has strong Monsoon winds from the West it rains most days, all day.
- The rest of the year it is dry.
- The natural lake up in the hills ensures it has lots of water.
- The hills are also cooler and have a gentle wind all year.
- The richest soil is down by the river
- The forest shelters animals such as wild boar and deer
- The grasslands and hills have goats and rabbits.
- The island also has natural hot springs.
- The seas have strong tides

The island is being used by a team of 30 scientists.

They plan to stay for 3 years to study the effect of climate change on the weather.

You need to design a science station for the team and make sure they have all the energy they need for hot water, electricity, cooking (and heating if they are in the hills).

They will also need to produce food and clean water.

A supply ship passes by every 6 months, and they can order supplies if they need to - but these tend to be expensive because of the shipping costs.

COLLECT A JOULE ISLAND TASK SHEET

Task 1

What energy resources do you have on the island? Tick the boxes

Wind	☒
Solar	☒
Geothermal	☒
Tidal	☒
Nuclear	☐

Which ones will you use?

Solar

On your map draw where you would put

- Wind turbines
- Geothermal power
- Solar power
- Tidal power
- Grow the food/hunt for meat
- The camp

Task 2

Decide where the scientists should build their weather station and mark it on the map

Why you have put the station there try and give at least 2 reasons

Too cold ✓
In sea too wet ✓
hot springs too hot

Task 3

How the scientists will get their

- hot water - draw a bath
- cooked food - draw a fire
- drinking water - draw a tap on the map where they could get these things

You've planned your island well
I like where you've put the energy sources

KS4 Construction Visit to Coppice Café

The Construction class were fortunate to visit the Coppice Café during their lesson this week. Students enjoyed choosing from a selection of menu items, including oatcakes, pancakes and many other tasty treats.

The visit also provided a valuable opportunity to put their maths skills into practice. Students used their knowledge to calculate how much money they had spent and work out the correct amount of change they should receive.

Everyone had a lovely time, and the experience helped to develop both independence and confidence in a real-life setting.

Well done to all the students for representing the class so positively!



Form Group Weekly Attendance

Our winning form for this week is Sycamore , well done!

Form Group Weekly Attendance

From – 29/09/26 – 05/10/26

Sycamore 100%

Oak 98.5%

Cherry 98.3%

Birch 97.3%

Holly 97.5%

Elm 96.7%

Rosewood 96.4%

Spruce 94.2%

Ash 92.7%

Whole school attendance 95.1%

Newcastle in Bloom

Although judging took place in June we finally found out the results last week. We are proud to say that Coppice got a BRONZE award in the Newcastle in Bloom school gardening competition.



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 12TH OCTOBER 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Big Breakfast— back bacon, pork sausage, egg, baked beans and hash brown	Mild Chilli Beef Rice, sweetcorn and peas and nachos	Chicken pie, served with veg, mashed potatoes and gravy	Margherita pizza, wedges and beans	Fish Fingers, chips and mushy peas
Available Daily: ◆ "Sandwich options – white or brown with a choice of Ham/Chicken/ Tuna/Cheese fillings ◆ "Filled jacket potatoes with a choice of beans, tuna and mayo, cheese, cheese and beans or main of the day ◆ "Selection of fruit ◆ Salad bar				