



Newsletter

3rd March 2023



World Book Day

Thank you so much to everyone who dressed up yesterday as their favourite book characters. School was filled with enthusiastic children and staff, in a range of costumes, as we all delved into the wonderful world of books to celebrate World Book Day. Many children also enjoyed a special World Book Day lunch with Charlie's Crispy Chicken Burger and Potter's Pomes Noisette proving particularly popular!

Paralympian: Stuart Robinson

Today, we are enjoying our visit from paralympian, Stuart Robinson, as the whole school takes part in a series of circuit training activities. Thank you to those who have already returned their sponsorship forms. Fundraising for Sports For Schools is optional but please could any further completed forms be returned by Friday, 10th March. Thank you!

School Library

We are delighted with the progress which has been made recently with improving our school library. Thank you to The Friends Of Coupe Green and everyone who has helped them to fundraise the brilliant sum of £1570, which has been used to purchase new library books. Thank you also to Mrs Park, one of our parents, who has very kindly given so much of her own time to redesign and revamp the library for us. We are really looking forward to launching our new system for pupils to borrow our brand new books in the near future.

A Visit To Houghton Tower

Our youngest pupils, in Acorn Class, are excited about their class visit to Houghton Tower on Tuesday, 7th March. This visit is linked to their new theme of 'A Knight's Tale'.

Pupils have been invited to dress in costume, so we look forward to taking a collection of princesses, knights and dragons out of school for a very special day!

Sale Sharks Schools Programme

Elder Class are currently enjoying a six week programme, provided by Sale Sharks, which gives pupils a blend of indoor classroom sessions aimed at improving mental wellbeing and resilience. This also provides fun and engaging outdoor sessions and a positive experience of playing Tag Rugby, through which pupils develop their key ABC skills: Agility, Balance and Coordination.

Our Tag Rugby team are looking forward to practising their new skills in a competition taking place on Thursdays 9th and 16th March, after school, at Withy Grove Park. Good luck to the boys and girls in our team. We hope you really enjoy the experience.

Parents Evening

This term, our parents' evenings will take place on Wednesdays 22nd and 29th March. Please could all forms, indicating preferred times, be returned by Monday, 13th March. Thank you.

Tots On Tyres

This half term, our Reception pupils have been enjoying learning to firstly ride a balance bike, before progressing on to a bike with pedals. It has been lovely to see their smiles as they have developed increased confidence with balancing, steering and braking. The final session in this series of three lessons takes place on Monday, 6th March.

Scoot Safe

On Monday, 20th February, our Year 3 pupils were also developing their skills on wheels, but this time using scooters. Their scoot safe session, on the playground, also involved using careful balancing skills. Our Year 3 pupils developed stability and control on their scooters, while both growing in confidence and having fun! Importantly, they also discussed road safety and learned how to carry out a scooter and helmet safety check.

Bikeability

Moving up through school, we now look forward to our Year 5 pupils, having their turn to develop improved skills and confidence on two wheels, while also considering road safety too. On Mondays 13th and 20th March, pupils will learn about signalling correctly, whilst cycling, and controlling a bike, whilst on the move and looking around. This develops into pupils taking short journeys on road, so they gain real life, supervised, experience of cycling with other traffic around them.

Friends of Coupe Green

Thank you again to all those who purchased golden ticket chocolate bars on Friday, 10th February. All the prizes have now been claimed and we raised over £450!

You may have noticed our fantastic new playground markings. They are a great addition to the school and the children are having lots of fun using them at playtimes. Thank you for all your support, which has allowed us to raise enough funds to provide these for our children.

We've recently received notice of a successful grant application for some bins for the school playground, to help keep the outside areas clean and tidy, and we look forward to seeing these at school very soon. We will be organising a spring clean-up of the school grounds, so if you can donate your time, can donate any plants or cuttings or can help in any way, please email us at friendsofcoupgreen@gmail.com or find a committee member on the playground before or after school.

EASTER EVENTS

NON-UNIFORM DAY – 21st MARCH

Egg Decorating Competition

**SATURDAY 25th MARCH – Easter Family
Bingo at The Oak**

Details of the above will follow soon.

SUMMER FAIR

Please save the date of Saturday 24th June for our wonderful Summer Fair.

If you are interested in helping us, in any way, with upcoming events, please email friendsofcoupgreen@gmail.com or do come along to The Oak on Wednesday, 15th March, to our next planning meeting, for an informal chat. Thank you.

The Steven Gerrard Academy

Our Key Stage Two classes are looking forward to travelling to Withy Grove and enjoying some football training sessions with young players and coaches from The Steven Gerrard Academy. Pupils will take part in a variety of games and activities which challenge their football and wider sports skills. The sessions will also provide opportunities for children to build resilience, promote teamwork and problem solve, whilst supporting the development of communication and listening skills.

These will take place on the following Fridays:

Elder Class – 10th March

Maple Class – 17th March

Ash Class – 24th March

Diary Dates	
Monday, 6th March	Wellbeing Workshop Tots On Tyres (Reception) Bike Fix (Year 5) Table Tennis Club (Week 3)
Tuesday, 7th March	Acorn Class Visit to Houghton Tower Mad Science Club (Week 3)
Thursday, 9th March	Year 5 Taster Morning at Brownedge St Mary's Sale Sharks Schools Programme for Elder Class Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Team at Withy Grove Park
Friday, 10th March	Football Training with Steven Gerrard Academy - Elder
Monday, 13th March	Year 5 Bikeability (Day 1)
Friday, 17th March	Football Training with Steven Gerrard Academy - Maple
Monday, 20th March	Year 5 Bikeability (Day 2)
Tuesday, 21st March	Friends Of Coupe Green Non-Uniform Day
Wednesday, 22nd March	Class Photographs Parents Evening (1)
Friday, 24th March	Football Training with Steven Gerrard Academy - Ash
Saturday, 25th March	Friends Of Coupe Green Easter Family Bingo at The Oak
Wednesday, 29th March	Class Photographs Parents Evening (1)
Friday, 31st March	3:15pm School Closes for The Easter Holidays
Monday, 17th April	8:40am School Opens for The Summer Term

