



Coplestone Primary School

Newsletter

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Message from Head of School:

We enjoyed some Harvest activities this week as the children came together to give thanks for the food they have and to think about other people who are less fortunate. Thank you for your support for Crediton food bank, who are working to help support families in the local area.

This week in school we have been talking about the golden rule **'We Work Hard'**. In school this week I have seen many children striving to do their best, work hard and face challenges with new ideas – well done! We also said a big THANK YOU to our hard working teachers today on World Teacher Day.

Many of you with children in years 5 and 6 attended a talk by John from Skern Lodge. The children were enthused by the range of challenging and exciting activities which they can try during their residential trip. Letters with more details will be coming out soon.

Unfortunately we have had to postpone the Timid to Tiger training course due to low numbers. This will run again in the Spring Term, and I would urge you to consider whether this supportive training would help support in managing challenging behaviour, anxiety and worry in your children. Please do let the office know if you are interested and we will let Mr Harry know.

Looking ahead to next week, there are consultation meetings with teachers – please do take this opportunity to see your child's teacher for a discussion about how they are progressing.

Warm regards, Mrs Mackey



Spotlight:

This week's spotlight falls on our harvest table with all the wonderful donations of food. The School Council helped to pack up all the food ready for the food bank. We also congratulate our certificate winners who have demonstrated their understanding of the school value of *caring*.



Certificate Winners 28.9.18



Certificate Winners 5.10.18

Attendance matters:

Every day of learning is important and 100% attendance gives your child the best possible start in life. Arriving on time also ensures that children can make a smooth start to their day.



Course Postponed until January

'TIMID TO TIGER' COURSE

Starting in January 2019 for ten weeks

Thursdays 9.15-11.15

At Copplestone Primary School

Graham Harry (Youth Worker for Copplestone Methodist Church) will be delivering the Timid to Tiger course at Copplestone Primary School this term. The course runs for 10 weeks for 2 hours each week. This is a supportive group intervention for parents/carers of children of primary school age with anxiety. The programme was developed by clinical psychologists and has been evaluated in use with children with a range of primary anxiety disorders including separation anxiety, social anxiety, generalised anxiety, panic, agoraphobia and specific phobias.

The topics covered will include:-

- Securing the parent-child bond through play
- Understanding children's anxiety
- Using praise to build confidence
- Using rewards (including how to avoid the pitfalls!)
- Setting limits on anxious behaviour
- Using withdrawal of attention
- Managing children's worry
- Managing really difficult behaviour

If you think you would be interested in attending the course Graham will be happy to have an initial meeting with you prior to the course to conduct a short assessment. This is to ensure the course would be an appropriate intervention for yourself and your child.

Please contact the school office if you are interested and we will then be in touch to organise an initial appointment with you.

Private Fostering

Are you looking after someone else's child? Is your child living with another family?

If the answer to either question is yes, and the arrangement is for 28 days or more, this is known as Private Fostering. If a child or young person under 16 years old (or 18 if they have a disability) is looked after by someone who is not a close relative, then by law Devon County Council need to be informed. When notified, we will work with the child, parents and private foster carers to ensure the best possible arrangements are in place for the child.



To tell us about a private fostering arrangement or if you are unsure if your situation is private fostering, please contact 0345 155 1071 or email: privatefostering@devon.gov.uk.

Pre-School



This week our children at Pre-School have enjoyed learning about Harvest and Autumn.

We have been leaf printing, collecting conkers and finding out about farming.

Request for help please!

We are trying to provide different activities for lunchtimes and wondered if you might have any of the following items to donate?

Board games

Dressing up clothes or fabric

Fabrics, old tablecloths, sheets etc. for den building



A big THANK YOU! for the kind donations we have already received - please bring any other items along to the school office.

Copplestone United Football Club

COPPLESTONE UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB
COPPLESTONE, CREDITON, DEVON
Tel: - 01363 881117
FOUNDED: - 2006



Copplestone United U10's & U11's want you!!

Copplestone United U10's (Hawks) & U11's (Scorpions) are looking for a few additional players to add to our existing squads to play in the Exeter & District League.

All of our coaching staff and committee members have DBS checks and we have 3 appointed Welfare Officers. Each age group also has an FA Level 1 coach.

If you are a current Year 5 or Year 6 pupil and would like to join our friendly club or would like some more information, email us at copplestoneutdfc@btinternet.com or contact us through our Facebook page.

For younger children we have a Saturday morning drop in session at Copplestone School from 10-11am.

Forest School

We would like to say a really big **THANK YOU!** to Refurnish in Crediton for providing us with some lovely items for our Forest School Mud Kitchen.

For a bargain £2 Refurnish supplied us with Mixing Bowls, Pans, Utensils, Cups and Colanders for the children to use in our outdoor area – we are very grateful.



Free school meals

All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 at state schools in England automatically get free school meals. However, parents and guardians are encouraged to apply for free school meals when they enrol their child in school, as this can help their child's school to attract additional 'pupil premium' funding to support learning.

Children whose parents are getting any of the following are entitled to free school meals:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS).
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA).
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190).
- Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

Children who receive a qualifying benefit in their own right can also get free school meals.

How to apply:

Apply through the Citizen Portal. This is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision. Alternatively, call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals>

Diary dates:



October

- 5th Celebration Assembly 9.15am
- 9th Green Class Trip to Rosemoor – letters have been sent home
- 9th Parent/teacher consultations
- 11th Scholastic Book Fair – School Hall from 3.30pm
- 11th Parent/teacher consultations
- 12th Celebration Assembly 9.15am
- 12th CLC Tag Rugby Event at QE
- 12th Scholastic Book Fair – School Hall from 3.30pm
- 15th Scholastic Book Fair – School Hall from 3.30pm
- 15th Orange Class Parent/teacher consultations
- 18th Orange Class Parent/teacher consultations
- 19th NO Celebration Assembly
- 19th CPTA Whole School Disco 5-7pm
- 22nd to 26th Half term holiday**
- 31st Author Visit (Emma Cox) to Red Class and Purple Class

November

- 2nd Celebration Assembly 9.15am
- 5th Light Up the Parish event
- 6th Tempest School Photographs
- 7th Purple Class Trip to Bovington Tank Museum – more information to follow
- 7th Red Class Viking Visit – more information to follow
- 9th Celebration Assembly 9.15am
- 12th Anti bullying week
- 16th Children in Need (NO Celebration Assembly)
- 23rd Celebration Assembly 9.15am
- 30th Celebration Assembly 9.15am

December

- 3rd Bikeability – more information to follow
- 5th Flu immunisations
- 5th Blue Class Learning Together 3pm
- 7th Last Celebration Assembly 9.15am
- 14th Rainbow and Pre School Nativity performance 2pm
- 18th KS1 performance 2pm and 5pm
- 19th Christmas Lunch and Jumpers day
- 20th KS2 Carol Concert 5pm
- 21st Last day of term

24th December to 4th January Christmas Holiday

January

- 7th **Non-Pupil Day**
- 8th All Pupils Return



SCHOOL DISCO OCTOBER 19TH

Copplestone Primary School Half Term Disco!

Kick off your half term holiday by joining us for a celebration disco in the school hall from 5pm-7pm on Friday 19th October.

Professional DJ playing all the pupil's favourite songs

Key Stage One parents will be expected to stay if their children are attending (dancing is optional though!)

Key Stage Two parents must leave contact details if they do not intend to stay with their children during the disco.

Hot Dogs

Tuck shop

Drinks

All under £1

**GET YOUR TICKETS
BEFORE MONDAY 15TH
FOR ONLY £2 PER
STUDENT**

Tickets available on the night
for £2.50

5pm-7pm

Devon and Cornwall ALERT
Keeping our communities in the know

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0800 111 2040

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0800 555 111

Register online at alerts.dc.police.uk
or complete the form overleaf

Devon & Cornwall Police



As well as Childcare, we will be offering a range of activities after 1/2 term.

Please find further details and book on the website: www.allstarsclub.co.uk or by emailing Sherrin - sherrin.copplestonecfw@gmail.com from 8th October 2018