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#### Headmistress's Message

#### Dear Parents

The Spring Term has flown past, complete with rain, gale force winds and the occasional glimpse of sunshine that hopefully indicates that Spring is just around the corner!

We have enjoyed some super class assemblies and musical concerts this term! We celebrated World Book Day when the school appeared to be invaded by an army of Harry Potters and Wally could be found in many surprising places! A big thank you to FOCHS for all their hard work recently it is much appreciated. It has been a busy term at Coopersale Hall, with many shows, classroom activities and trips out, as you can see from this newsletter. It has also been an exciting one for our Year 6 pupils who have received their 11+ results. We are very proud of all them and you can view the excellent results on our website.

Sadly, our term has come to an abrupt end and many of our trips and events have had to be postponed or cancelled. We hope that we may be able to reschedule some of them and will let you know as soon as possible

In the meantime, we wish you all a healthy, happy Easter break, and we look forward to seeing you all next term.

Kind regards

Kaye harefay

Kaye Lovejoy

House Points Spring Term	Beech	Chestnut	Oak	Willow
Points	652	726	758	740
Position	4th	3rd	1st	2nd

Well done to everyone, especially those children in Oak House.



#### **Musical Showcase 2020**

We were treated to a wonderful performance by some of our talented musicians recently during our Musical Showcase. The showcase started with a lively 'Pop Medley' from our KS2 Choir, followed by some impressive performances from the KS2 Rock Band and Upper Orchestra.

The large audience of friends and family were very impressed with all of the solo pieces on the piano, flute, clarinet, guitar and violin. Well done to all who took part, you should be very proud of how well you are progressing in music.





#### Year 5 Shakespeare Assembly



Recently Year 5 performed an assembly about the life and times of Shakespeare. They sang songs, introduced characters and gave a picture of an Elizabethan theatre.

It was a very entertaining assembly with some great costumes and acting skills on



display. Year 5 did a great job of teaching the rest of the pupils of the school what they have been learning about.

Great work Year 5.

#### **Football League Update**

On Monday 2 March, Coopersale Hall played a league match against our local rivals Ivy Chimney's School at Shooters Football Centre in North Weald. We started the match taking a four-goal lead, by half time the score was 5-2. Ivy Chimney's came back strongly in the second half and both teams fought hard to the final whistle. The final score was 7-6 to Ivy Chimneys. Our school side played brilliantly and it was one of the best league matches of the season. Well done to our team for showing such skill and determination. Thank you also to all the parents who turned up to cheer them on.



# Getting Social



#### World Book Day Assembly

During our assembly on Friday 28 February, Lucas and Delilah, our Year 3 school councillors gave the children some information about the history of World Book Day.

"World Book Day is a day when we celebrate authors, illustrators, books and most importantly, reading! This is the 23rd year there has been a World Book Day and this year we are celebrating on Thursday 5 March. World Book Day is celebrated in over 100 countries all over the world". Delilah

"To celebrate World Book Day we are dressing up as some of our favourite book characters. The main aim of World Book Day is to encourage us to explore the pleasure of books and that is why we are given tokens. You can take your book token to a local bookseller and pick on of the TEN (exclusive, new and completely free) books or get £1 off any book or audio book". Lucas

This year we are collecting for Water Aid and Alina and Oliver, our Year 4 school councillors, did some research about the charity and Alina produced a wonderful poster. Their findings and poster were shared with the school so that everyone knew where their £1 donation was going. Thank you for your hard work school councillors.





Merit Badges	W/C 2.3.20	W/C 9.3.20	W/C 16.3.20
Reception Gowland	Barnabus Seyerle	Sophie Trott	Harmonie-Jo Gardezi- Price
Reception Marks	Beatrice Webb	Whole Class	Carter Cummins
Year 1 Biddle	Ella Simons	Alexander Puschmann	Amari Dhallu
Year 1 Rooks	India Bal	Whole Class	Oliver Benson
Year 2 Allen	Abigail Fleming	Blaise Murphy-Zaleska	Poppy Pughsley
Year 2 Burgess	Honor Bear	Defne Kaya	River Corbett
Year 2 Daly	Liliana Wiegelmann	Harry Parrington	Whole Class
Year 3 Cricks	Noah Strong	Amelia Green	Daniel Wooder
Year 3 Graves	Andres Martinez	Isabelle Trott	Aiden O'Malley
Year 4 Bull	Oliver Thornton	Maiya Doyle	Rohan Bhardwaj-Sharp
Year 4 Lane	Alexander Whitefield	Ethan Young	Honor Tomblin-Pugh
Year 5 Howard	Everyone who took part in the Oak-Tree Mental Maths & Ahad Majeed	Jessica Dunn	Mollie Dunn
Year 5 Newbigging	Ralph Travers	Riya Soni	Jaspreet Chahill
Year 6 Leeks	Nia Garwood	Rishi Vijh	Benjamin Strong

#### **Year 4 Share Their Dinosaur Stories**

To celebrate World Book Day Year 4 became authors and wrote and illustrated their own stories about dinosaurs. They then read their stories to the younger pupils who enjoyed hearing some great tales of dinosaur adventures!

Great work Year 4!



#### Water Aid

For World Book Day this year we collected for Water Aid. Alina and Oliver, our Year 4 school councillors, did some research about the charity and Alina produced a wonderful poster.

#### "Water Aid

Can you imagine what it would be like not to have safe clean water to drink, or not to be able to wash with clean water every day, or not to have a toilet in your house?



Currently:

785 million people do not have clean water close to home (that is 1 in10people)

2 billion people do not have a decent toilet of their own (that is 1 in 4 people)

31% of schools do not have clean water.

The aim of the Water Aid Charity is to help the world's poorest people have clean drinking water and basic water for washing and toilet, water to keep clean and healthy and to stop disease. Water Aid started as a

charity in the UK in 1981. Water Aid's slogan "Change Lives with Clean Water". Water Aid is working all over the world."

#### Alina

"Did you know?



1 in 10 people do not have access to clean water, 1 in 4 people do not have a decent toilet of their own, and 2 in 5 people lack handwashing facilities at home.

We drink it, wash our hands with it, use it to prepare food, and to flush

our toilet. But too many people cannot take these actions safely because they do not have access to clean water. Water Aid is an international non-governmental organisation, focused on water, sanitation and hygiene. The organisation was first established by the UK water industry on 21 July 1981 as a charitable trust and their main office is in London. It was created as a response to the United Nations International Drinking Water decade (1981-1990). The President is Prince Charles, the Prince of Wales. Its first projects were in Zambia and Sri Lanka.

Water Aid works in partnership with local organisations in 34 countries in Africa, Asia, Central America and the Pacific region, to help poor communities establish sustainable water supplies and toilets, close to home, and to promote safe hygiene practices. It also works to influence government water and sanitation policies to serve the interests of vulnerable people and to ensure water and sanitation are prioritised in poverty reduction plans.

Change Lives With Clean Water

Together, we can make the basic human rights of clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene normal for everyone, everywhere!"

Oliver





#### **Karate Assembly**

"On Monday 16 March, everyone who participates in karate at school did a demonstration to the whole school about what we do in our sessions. Everyone performed really well and Sensei Daniel is very proud of us.

First, the red and white belts showed us some punching and kicking. Next it was the yellow, orange, green and blue belts who showed us some more advanced punching and kicking. After that, the red and white belts showed us some pad work which is where you kick and





punch the pads to condition your hands and feet and also to feel what it's like to punch something rather than hit the air. Following that Daniel, Ewan, Kaiser and I performed our kata's. A kata is a sequence of movements. Once we had finished our kata's, the yellow, orange, green and blue belts did their pad work.

I would like to say well done to everyone who participated in the demonstration and I hope to see some new faces in karate soon."

**By Jaspreet** 

#### Year 4 create some Splendiferous Stories

After coming back from their trip to the Roald Dahl Museum, Year 4 felt inspired to write stories of their own. The children were all very creative, designing some wonderful front covers, sourcing images and using their imagination.

Year 4 were very interested in finding out more about the life of this incredible author, and the trip really brought out some great work from our pupils.



#### Year 1 Assembly

Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed performing their Assembly to their parents and school this term. The children dressed up in some amazing costumes, and everyone was very impressed with the confidence that they showed when talking on stage.

Mrs Biddle and Miss Mannock were so proud of everyone. Well done.





#### Year 6 Bikeability

"On Monday 16 March until Wednesday 18 March, Year 6 took part in Bikeability sessions. Everyone started off at Level 1 on the AstroTurf. Pupils learnt how to do the ABC check, which is a rule that you have to do before getting on your bike. 'A' stands for the air that goes into your wheel, 'B' is for brakes to check that they're working properly, 'C' stands for the chain to make sure they're working properly too.

Everyone succeeded Level 1, so the girls moved on to the road for Level 2. We practiced looking back every time we set off and

stopped. We now know that we're always supposed to be in sharing/secondary (which is when you're about an arm length away from the pavement) when we are on a straight road. We also practiced left turns where you indicate left to turn into a minor road.

On the next day, we learnt how to do a right out turn which is where you're on a minor road and you indicate

right only if there is traffic behind you. It's quite scary because if you are not in hogging/primary (which is when you're in the middle of your lane) a car will overtake you. We learnt that you have to be in hogging/primary on every turn you do. On Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning, the boys did the same thing as the girls.

The hardest part about Bikeability is cycling up the huge hill towards our school because your legs start to get tired as you're going up.

Everyone enjoyed Bikeability and we all got our badges at the end."

**By Francesca & Nia** 





#### **Upper Kindergarten celebrate Holi**

UKC have been celebrating the Hindu festival of Holi. Rather than throw paint at each other they had fun throwing glittered flour onto glued black paper. This created a wonderful explosion of colour!

As well as creating this lovely, colourful work of art, the children enjoyed learning more about this celebration, and asked lots of questions.



#### **5N's Easter Poems**

"5N have been thinking about what Easter means to them. We all come from different backgrounds and we have written what Easter means to us in a poem. We've then put all of them together to form a series of poems. We hope you enjoy them. Thank you." By Riya

I like days out with family and friends Because fun with them never ends. Time off school, we need to relax, Just sit back and chillax!

Dresses in Spring. Oh, yeah, they're back. It's sunny now, so 'bye' to rain macs. Look at the baby animals, give them a stroke. I see a unicorn! Oh, no, it's a goat!

Sharing is caring, so let's share the love, Share your Easter eggs – just don't grudge. Easter is a time to turn a new leaf, Let your mind go free so there is no grief.

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The flowers are in bloom, don't forget the blossoms. The fireworks go boom, beautiful colours. Now is time for lambs and chicks; they're so cute-what could be better. A bunch of bobbing daffodils with a beautiful, hand-made letter.

Chocolate eggs and bunnies, it's time to hunt around. Outside it's nice and sunny, look what I've found! Spending time with family, it's a quiet Maundy Thursday. Cuddle up together, it's special, it's my birthday.

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Easter eggs equal chocolate, I also love family too. I hope you're having a good Easter; I am too.

> I really like Easter, for a new start. I like sacrificing things for a good heart.

I like when family comes together, It warms up my body with joy!

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Easter is really important to me because I love cute animals and chocolate. I hope you love chocolate because I do too.

The reason we celebrate Easter is because Jesus rose from the dead. The Greeks even celebrate with fireworks.

Have a good Easter and try to remember Jesus, too.

There are flowers in bloom to light up the gloom; Bunnies and Easter eggs, chicks walking on their legs. Sunny smiles ... that smile for miles; The little animals playing together; no need to complain about the weather.

Today is the day, the special Easter day, the day for fun for all. Easter egg hunts, chocolate and more, festivals great and small. Birds are chirping, lambs are lurking, in the cool fields. Children squeal, mother makes meals, for me and all my brothers.

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There are flowers in bloom to light up the gloom; Bunnies and Easter eggs, chicks walking on their legs. Sunny smiles ... that smile for miles; The little animals playing together; no need to complain about the weather.

> Do you know how Easter began? Well, let me tell you:

Jesus went to Jerusalem The Leaders didn't like it; The people praised Him; The Leaders didn't like it. He destroyed the Temple market; The Leaders didn't like it. He said the Temple was for prayer and peace; They said He was dangerous. They put Him on a cross to kill Him; God did better and resurrected Him. Now you know how Easter began.

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Roses are red, Violets are blue; I'm excited about Easter, I hope you are too! Eggs are hatching with a crack, chicks emerging for a snack; <u>Bunnies are hop</u>ping like mad, this time of year you can't be sad.



#### **Home Learning**

As the pupils began their home learning journey, we received some lovely pictures of their work. Noah designed his own den as part of his History lesson about WW2, Simran created a fantastic Easter poem and Stanley used his knowledge of ratios to bake a batch of shortbread. Well done all!







#### **Easter Hamper Winners**

Congratulations to our Easter Hamper winners:

- Ralph
- Rocco
- Oliver
- Amelia
- Darcey (LK)

Well done all and a Happy Easter! We hope you all have a nice break spending time with your families.

#### **FOCHS UPDATE**

We are delighted that we were able to host a **movie night** for years 2-6 on 6 March. It was extremely well attended and the children all seemed to enjoy the event very much. We are also pleased that the children were able to see the **Living Eggs** hatch before school closed and Miss Leeks and the house captains drew the **raffle** for the lovely Easter baskets in assembly on Friday 20 March. Sadly, we



had to postpone the remaining events for the term – our Easter Hop for Reception and Year 1, our Easter Animals day, and our Book Fair. We hope to be able to run at least some of these later in the year.

We wish you all the best during the Easter holidays. Should you wish to get in touch, we are still here, either on your year WhatApp group or you can email us at <u>fochs@coopersalehallschool.co.uk</u>.