



# COOPERS LANE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome

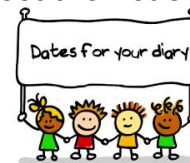
We would like to welcome you all back for another exciting school year at Coopers Lane. We would also like to say a special hello to any new families to our community. We look forward to meeting you and sharing many great experiences together.



We are also very happy to welcome some new members to our staff team at Coopers Lane:

Charllyn Humes – Nursery Teacher  
Imogen Mansfield – Year 3 Teacher  
Alice Potter – Year 5 Teacher

## Meet the Teacher



You are invited to come and find out about the year ahead at Coopers Lane on the following dates. There will also be time for you to visit your child's class. All meetings are from 9am-10am:

Year 6 - 10<sup>th</sup> Sep  
Year 5 - 11<sup>th</sup> Sep  
Year 4 - 12<sup>th</sup> Sep  
Year 3 - 13<sup>th</sup> Sep  
Year 2 - 14<sup>th</sup> Sep  
Year 1 - 17<sup>th</sup> Sep

## Come and Join Us - New for 2018



This year, we will be having fortnightly open mornings for each year group (first 20 mins of an allocated day) where parents/carers can come and spend time with their children in class. The date of the first open morning for each year group is as follows and will then repeat every 2 weeks. We hope you are able to join us at least once a term to share in your child's learning:

Y1: 01/10/18, Y2: 28/09/18, Y3: 26/09/18  
Y4: 27/09/18, Y5: 25/09/18, Y6: 24/09/18

## Music

Music is an important part of our curriculum and this year the following whole class tuition will take place:

Year 2 = Recorders  
Year 3 = Ukulele  
Year 4 = Samba  
Year 5 = Steel Pans



We also offer piano, violin and drumming tuition, along with our new 'RockSteady' program. The lessons are 1-2-1 or in small groups, with a cost to parents/carers.

If you would like more information, please contact the school office.

## Growth Mindset

This year we will continue our work to develop a growth mindset culture across the school community. You can find out more about this by watching the video clips linked on our website. You might also like to read 'Mindset' by Carol Dweck, which we are using in school.

*"In a growth mindset, people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—intelligence and talent are just the starting point. Students who embrace growth mindsets—the belief that they can learn more or become smarter if they work hard and persevere—will learn more, learn it more quickly, and view challenges and failures as opportunities to improve their learning and skills."* Carol Dweck

**Fixed Mindset**  
"I made a mistake."



**Growth Mindset**  
"Mistakes help me improve."

## Who to Contact

If you have any queries about your child's learning, please try to **speak to their class teacher first**, as they know your child best. Teachers have more time to talk to you once the children have left for the day, so please ensure you see them after school.

We have year group leaders in each year, who are also available to help:

EYFS = Jenny Eldridge

Year 4 = Erica Walker

Year 1 = Poppy Williams

Year 5 = Liz Gough

Year 2 = Kim Allen

Year 6 = Tali Bonner

Year 3 = Casey Pearson

SEND = Tonia Pancucci

Centre for the Deaf = Gill Hammond



Should you need to speak to a member of the senior leadership team, please contact the school office and they will direct you to:

Paul Hooper (Head Teacher)

Tali Bonner (Deputy Head)

James Mole (Deputy Head)

Amy Riley (Assistant Head)

Sam Pepper (Assistant Head)

## Forget-Me-Nots

### School Uniform

- A school sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo
- A white polo shirt
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress (gingham in summer)
- Sensible black shoes/ankle boots or plain black trainers (no logos)

*NB: No leggings/tracksuit bottoms or jeans*

**P.E. Kit** – Team colour t-shirt and appropriate shorts/bottoms/trainers



### Holiday Requests

- Good attendance has a significant impact on your child's progress
- Term time absence will not be authorized unless in exceptional circumstances

## Forest School

Our new Forest School opens this term. Children in Reception and Year 2 will have weekly outdoor learning sessions. The Forest School ethos is focused on helping to develop personal, social and emotional skills and raising self-esteem. Children learn, through play, how to cooperate and work with others to solve problems and how to use their own initiative.



Our Forest School site is a small area of woodland located in the KS2 playground. By visiting it regularly, we hope it will develop a special significance for the children.

## Break Times

We have 3 classes in every year group, which means that playtime and lunch time can get a little crowded in the playground. The safety of the children is always at the forefront of our minds so we have put the following daily timetable in place. We believe that this will keep the children safe and also allow them to play happily in the playground:

### KS1 Playground

#### Playtime

10:45-11:00

Reception, Year 1+2

#### Lunch

12:00-1:00

Reception, Year 1+2



### KS2 Playground

#### Playtime 1

10:45-11:00

Year 3+5

#### Playtime 2

11:00-11:15

Year 4+6

#### Lunch 1

12:15-1:15

Year 3+5

#### Lunch 2

12:30-1:30

Year 4+6