



COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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ALL SMILES!

I'm still smiling today, after watching two wonderful class assemblies this week. It was pure joy to see the children from Charing Cross class and Angel class perform for their parents and carers. They all presented with confidence and it really was incredible to hear about all the different subjects and topics they have been learning about this term. Thank you to everyone who came to support the children this week.

Have a lovely weekend.



GOODBYE MR HARPER



Sadly we say goodbye today to one of our learning mentors, Mr Harper. After 8 years at Coopers Lane, Mr Harper has decided to take the leap into a new adventure. The support Mr Harper has given the children over the past 8 years has been incredible and for this we are truly thankful. Thank you Mr Harper for all you have given to Coopers Lane. Good luck for the future.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2022

We will be celebrating World Book Day again this year and we have lots of exciting activities planned. As part of the celebration, we will be inviting everyone to dress up as a favourite book character on Thursday 3rd March. With half term coming up, it's the perfect opportunity to get creative! Look out for more information next week.



WEEKLY ONLINE SAFETY TIP

Remind them of key online safety principles



There are too many to list, but remember human behaviour is the same online and offline. Remind your children to be a good friend, to ask for help if they are worried or if someone is mean, not to get undressed on camera and most important of all... if somebody tells them not to tell or ask for help because it's too late or they will get in trouble, **THAT'S A LIE!**

<https://www.lgfl.net/online-safety/resource-centre?s=16>

Thank you to everyone who joined our meeting last night. It was great to welcome new faces to the PTA and hear your ideas on how we can raise more funds, get more volunteers & support the school. The PTA's sole purpose is to organise fundraising events and activities that raise up to £10,000 a year. All the money that the PTA raises, goes directly back to school to support the development and educational needs of the children and staff.

Here's a brief update from the meeting for those who couldn't join us.

Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Friday 11 March 2022 @ 6pm (just before the quiz) – all parents & carers are welcomed to attend.

Quiz Night – Friday 11 March 2022 @ 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Tickets are £5 per person & can be purchased online via Eventbrite here or on the door.

Summer Fayre – It's back after a two-year hiatus! So, save the date, **Saturday 18 June 2022 @ 12noon-4pm.** Our theme this year is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, so expect lots of bunting, cakes & fun activities for all the family.

Second hand uniform – if you need any second-hand uniform, please message us through our social media pages or drop us an email (info-pta@cooperslane.org.uk). There will be a uniform sale after Feb half term – date to be confirmed.

Mailing list – Don't miss out on the latest events, fundraisers, second-hand uniform sales & other news from the PTA – Sign up here to get all the info you need.

Volunteers – WE NEED YOU!

Can you help? We are always looking for new volunteers to join and support the PTA. Every member of our school community is automatically a member of the PTA and we always need new and creative fundraising ideas to raise as much money as possible. You can support the PTA in a number of ways including:

- Attend our termly meetings
- Come to our second-hand uniform sales and other fundraising events during the year, or volunteer to help run them
- Set up a regularly monthly donation
- Donate whilst you shop online through Easy Fundraising or Amazon Smile
- See if your employer offers 'match funding' or 'match giving' – schemes where they will match any funding you raise for the PTA
- Send us your fundraising ideas!

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NURSERY

This week we have been celebrating 'Chinese New Year'. We have had lots of fun making dragons with paper plates and red paint. In the sensory area we have been trying to pick up noodles with the chopsticks. We also dressed up and enjoyed being in our own Chinese restaurant. We have learnt how to say Happy New Year in Cantonese. (Kung Hei fat choy).



RECEPTION

This week at Forest School we made potions and used the sticks as wands. We also found worms and grubs in the mud and carefully held them, then we put them back once we had looked at them.



YEAR 1



In year 1 we are learning all about materials. This week the children have been focusing on the story of the three little pigs. In London Bridge, the children have been exploring different materials to build houses for the 3 little pigs.

YEAR 2



In English this week, Year 2 compared the elephant graveyard scene to the opening scene in The Lion King. We enjoyed doing a 'conscience alley', thinking about whether Nala and Simba should enter the graveyard or not. We're having so much fun in PE learning to skip; we have all shown our value of perseverance and each week we are getting better and better!



YEAR 3



Welcoming parents back into school again this week were Charing Cross. They shared all the facts they had learnt about Ancient Greece, including re enacting the Greek Myth- Atalanta's Race. We also saw some cooking skills with some Ancient Greek recipes and then the children used their wonderful singing voices to sing about the 8 times tables!



Also in Year 3 in Science we have been observing how and why our shadows change throughout the day. Feel free to quiz the children how and why!!!



YEAR 4

In Science this week, Year 4 investigated the digestive system. We used biscuits, juice, water and tights to help us replicate the processes that take place when we digest our food. Although it was quite a gross demonstration, we learned a lot and had fun!



YEAR 5

In Computing we have begun to create our own amazing light shows inspired by the beauty of the Northern Lights. We have used our coding skills to programme the sphero to move in a square, change colour and we have even added sound! Some of us then took on the extra challenge and were able to create code so that the sphero made a triangle. We can't wait to perform our Northern Lights show next week.



YEAR 6

Year 6 have been learning all about evolution in Science. We wanted to learn more about Charles Darwin and his theory of 'Natural Selection', so we conducted an experiment to help us understand why different finches survived on each of the different Galapagos Islands. We discovered that different types of beaks were more successful at picking up certain types of food. We also had fun 'excavating' chocolate chip cookies to learn about fossils and making our own fossils out of clay!

