



Coupals Primary Academy

Parent Bulletin No.12

Friday 1st December, 2017

Dear parents,

It has been a busy week here at Coupals and, having spent a couple of days at other schools, it has been a pleasure to be back at Coupals seeing the great learning going on first hand.

As I visited Reception and Year 1 yesterday there was some excellent architecture work going on. A group of children were using the building blocks to create a skyscraper with a particular focus on making it symmetrical!

Year 3 have been doing some great work in maths using bar models to solve problems. It was fascinating to hear children talking about their ideas and understanding of the problems and how the bar models (visual representations of the problems) represented them.

Year 5 have been continuing with their local study and it has been interesting to hear of some of the facts they have been learning about Haverhill. I am looking forward to seeing more information from the children as they discover it.

It has also been great to hear the singing taking place in classrooms as pupils are preparing for their Christmas plays and assemblies over the next couple of weeks. I am sure that you will enjoy the fantastic effort that the pupils are putting in to their preparations for their Christmas fun!

We will be looking, in the new year, at the home learning we set children. To do this we will be posting a survey on the app in January. Please keep an eye open for it and spare a couple of minutes to complete it – we'd really appreciate your input around this area.

Don't forget that you can keep up with everything going on through the following:

Website: www.coupalsacademy.co.uk

Twitter: @CoupalsAcademy

Facebook: www.facebook.com/coupalsacademy

David Maguire

Headteacher

Information for parents:

The weather forecast for the next couple of weeks looks like it could involve snow. Please be aware that, should the weather impact on the opening of the school, we will communicate this information via the school Facebook page and the school app. We will also communicate this via local radio but the Facebook page and app are often the most accessible for parents.

We are pleased to announce that we have a completion date for our building work. The aim is for the work to be completed by December 19th meaning that when the children come back in January we will have full use of our playground space again!

Thanks to parents who have suggested charities for our last day of term busking. Please keep them coming and we will decide on a charity very shortly.

Key dates:

Thursday 7th December: Reception Open Morning (for new parents whose children start school in September 2018) 9.00am-11.30am

Tuesday 12th December: Reception/Year 1 Christmas Play @6.00pm

Wednesday 13th December: Year 2 Christmas Assembly @2.30pm

Thursday 14th December: Reception/Year 1 Christmas Play @4.00pm

Friday 15th December: Year 3 and 4 Christmas Assembly @2.30pm

Friday 15th December: Christmas Jumper Day for Save The Children

Monday 18th December: Year 5 and 6 Christmas Assembly @2.30pm

Tuesday 19th December: Christmas Carol Service @10.00am (at the Old Independent Church) parents and families welcome

Tuesday 19th December: Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 20th December: Last day of Autumn Term

Thursday 4th January 2018: PD Day

Friday 5th January 2018: PD Day

Monday 8th January 2018: Children return to school