



Coupals Primary Academy

Parent Bulletin No.20

Friday 23rd February, 2018

Dear parents and carers,

It has been lovely to see the children back in school with such enthusiasm this week. I hope you had a lovely half term break wherever you were and whatever you did.

It was great to talk to the pupils about Winter Olympic underdogs this week and to hear about the events that they have been enjoying. Our school is full of experts around these winter sports – I had no idea!

To celebrate the Winter Olympics some of the pupils have been playing indoor Curling with Mr Lebbon in their PE lessons. I must admit, I wouldn't mind having a go myself.

There has been some excellent learning taking place as I have visited classes this week. Several classes have been learning their new Talk for Writing stories and some have been innovating their stories by changing some key ideas to make new and interesting versions of the story they have learned.

Year 2 have been working on their comprehension skills and I was particularly impressed to hear their explanations of where they could find the answers in the text. They are sounding more and more like reading experts.

Year 4 have been continuing to enjoy 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo and have been getting to grips with some very specific vocabulary in the book. It is exciting to hear children learning about, explaining and using new vocabulary which they have discovered through a book.

In Year 6 there has been some excellent maths learning taking place and I have been particularly impressed by the work I have seen on radius, diameter and negative numbers this week. The children are really impressing all of the staff with their attitude and effort in their learning.

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

Website: www.coupalsacademy.co.uk

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Information for parents:

We have updated our app so you will now see, in the news section, posts from our Facebook Page and Twitter feed meaning that all information is available in one place. Posts from our Twitter and Facebook accounts do not send alerts so please check regularly to see what is going on at school. The good news is that you can even read these posts if you do not have a Twitter or Facebook account.

Thank you to those parents who have completed the short survey about using the app to give Parental Consent. If you have not yet completed it please take the time to do so as it will help us to gauge the ways in which we can make processes easier for parents.

As you will see below, we are holding our first of the new Parent Coffee Mornings on Thursday 15th of March at 9.00am. This will be an opportunity for parents to hear about the things happening at the school and things that are planned around further improving the school. It will also be an opportunity for parents to ask any questions that they may have about the school over a cup of tea or coffee.

Please note no old £10 notes will be accepted after 28th February as they will no longer be legal tender.

Key dates:

Saturday 24th February – Craft / Nearly new fayre at school, 10 am – 1pm, admission free refreshments available.

Wednesday 28th February – Year 1-6 Parent Consultations (1.30pm to 6.00pm)

Thursday 1st March – World Book Day

Thursday 15th March – Parent Coffee morning (9.00am)

Friday 23rd March – Disco

Thursday 29th March: Last day of Spring Term

Monday 16th April: PD Day

Tuesday 17th April: Pupils back to school for the Summer Term

Friday 13th July – end of year Disco

PROVISIONAL DATE: Tuesday 5th of June: Sports Day