

NEWSLETTER



A WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome to our weekly newsletter, where once again we're excited to share the wonderful learning, achievements, and activities happening across our school.

In this week's edition, you'll find important reminders, details of upcoming events and celebrations of our children's hard work in and out of school. It has been a huge pleasure to present a number of our children with their 'Stomp for Stamps' awards after their participation in this challenge over the summer holidays.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in making our school a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment for every child.

Matt Johnson
Headteacher



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"This school is a good place to help you achieve and aspire. The teachers are great at helping you learn."

Year 6 child, Copnor Primary School

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next week:

6th - **Year 2 - Nightingale Class** trip to QECP
Whole School - NEBC - Harvest Assemblies
 7th - **Year 1** - Cricket Session 4

8th - **Reading in Class - 8.35 - 8.55** - Your weekly opportunity to read in class with your child.
Year 2 - Seacole Class trip to QECP
Year 1 - Harvest Workshops



9th - **Year 2 - Austen Class** trip to QECP
All Parent Workshop - 3.45 - 4.45
 (Book online via the school website)

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 1 - CRICKET



Year 1 have been learning to throw, catch and bowl during their cricket lessons with Alex. We have seen some fantastic progress in skills over the past three weeks.

ATTENDANCE

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
KS1	96.98%	98.06%	89.04%	98.44%
KS2	94.83%	96.46%	96.17%	94.87%

Congratulations to **Warrior** in **KS1** & **Victory** in **KS2**, the winners of the Attendance Cups this week.

HOUSE POINTS

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
This week	325	575	647	746
Total	1243	1650	1757	1811

Congratulations to **Warrior** house, the winners of the House Cup this week.

GOLDEN CHILD



I am delighted to share the names of this week's Golden Children:

KS1 and **KS2** have all been recognised as **someone who stands up for what is right.**

Year	Class	Golden Child
EYFS	Hendra	Wilby
	Gray	
	Donaldson	
1	Adeola	Nicole
	Field	Reagan
	Gravett	Dove
2	Nightingale	Daisy
	Austen	Mason
	Seacole	Olivia
3	Adele	Amelia
	Sheeran	Senna
	Styles	Ralph
4	Thompson	Rae
	Rickman	Violet
	Elba	Alexa
5	Banksy	Maya
	Hockney	Amelia
	Lowry	Finlay
6	Holmes	Mihai
	Hamilton	Arlo
	Brownlee	Vansh

CONGRATULATIONS OSCAR & RILEY

One Sunday morning a few weeks ago, two of our dedicated athletes wore their Copnor Primary PE tops with pride at this years Butser Hill Challenge. This yearly event is a timed fell run on the highest point in the South Downs National Park. They represented the school very well and ran with beaming smiles the whole way.

Riley completed one lap of the hill for the year 3 race and came in 3rd place for the second year in a row. His time was 4.32. Oscar came 5th in the year 6 boys race with a tough race of two laps up and down the hill, with a time of 6.42. Both boys had the best time and can not wait for their next competition. Well done to them both for representing Copnor so well.



STOMP FOR STAMPS SUMMER CHALLENGE



During the summer seventeen Copnor pupils took part in the Stomp for Stamps challenge. Stomp for Stamps, is an annual children's treasure hunt, to help keep families active, engaged and learning about safer, more sustainable ways to travel.

From Wednesday 23 July to Monday 1 September, children were invited to walk, wheel, and scoot their way to fantastic prizes. Stomp for Stamps is all about having fun with friends and family while travelling more sustainably – making our roads safer and our air cleaner.

Our pupils each won a water bottle and a certificate, which they received this week. Well done to our Copnor Stompers!



BOOKSY BEAR WINNERS



The KS1 class with the most children who have read 4 times or more at home is **Nightingale Class!**

They will keep Booksy Bear in their book corner this week.

Well done, **Nightingale Class!**

YEAR 6 REPRESENTATIVES

Further to our announcement last week of the names of all the children with 'Year 6 Responsibilities' this year, here they all are! Happy and smiling and looking forward to taking on the challenges of their new roles.



HEADS AND DEPUTIES OF KS1 AND KS2



HOUSE CAPTAINS



LIBRARIANS



PREFECTS



THE WHOLE TEAM

NOTICES

PARENTS' EVENING APPOINTMENTS

Parents' Evening appointments can be booked through the Arbor Parent App and will be available from **6:00pm Friday 3rd October, closing 9:00am Friday 17th October 2025**. If you are struggling to access this, please contact the school office and a member of the office team will guide you through the booking process.



P.E UNIFORM REMINDER

We would like to remind parents and carers of our PE uniform expectations. To ensure that all children can take part in their lessons safely and comfortably, please make sure your child comes to school wearing the correct kit:

Sky blue plain T-shirt (with or without logo)

Navy blue shorts

Appropriate training shoes

For games lessons, a tracksuit may also be worn (navy blue preferred)



Please note: football kits, Crocs, or other unsuitable footwear are not permitted. Appropriate trainers are essential so that children can move safely and take part fully in all activities.

Jewellery must also be managed in line with our policy: small sleeper earrings should either be removed before PE/games lessons, or covered with appropriate earring tape, applied by the child wherever possible.

For their own safety, children who arrive without appropriate PE kit or footwear may be asked to sit out of lessons.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep PE safe, enjoyable, and accessible for everyone.

COATS

Please may we ask that you send your child in with a warm coat for breaktimes and outdoor activities now that the temperature is becoming more autumnal and chilly at times.



ROTARY SHOEBOX APPEAL



For several years we have been proud to support Rotary Club with the 'Shoebbox Appeal' and we would like to contribute to this worthy cause again. All filled shoeboxes will make their way to disadvantaged and displaced children. (<https://wessexrotaryshoebbox.org.uk/>).

If you would like to take part this year, please call into the office to collect a shoebox and leaflet with information on the appeal. A donation of £1 taped to the top of the completed box is requested towards this scheme. Unfortunately, Rotary Wessex are unable to accept donations in any other box.

RECEPTION SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS



The Portsmouth News will be in school on Monday 13th October to take photos of children in Reception classes. The class photos will appear in a special edition of the newspaper on either Tuesday 18th or Wednesday 19th November, along with reception classes from across Portsmouth. You are required to provide your consent for your child to appear in The Portsmouth News photos. Please go to the 'Consent' area in the Arbor app to provide this. Children who do not have consent will not be able to appear in the photo.

Yellow photographers will also be in school on Tuesday 14th October to take individual photos of all the children in Year R classes. Photo proofs will be made available to parents to order online, if they wish to do so.

ABSENT CHILDREN AND SIBLING PHOTOGRAPHS



On Tuesday 14th October, Yellow photographers will be taking photos of any child in Years 1 – 6 who were absent today, along with children with siblings within our school. Information on how to request a sibling photo will be emailed to you shortly.

UPCOMING OPEN DAYS



Please join us for one of our

Open Mornings

September – December 2025



Come and see why your family should choose Copnor Primary School.
Our website: www.copnorprimary.co.uk



Prospective Year R families are invited to join us for our

Open Morning Tours 2025

September

Thursday 25th
1.30pm

October

Wednesday 8th
6.00pm

Monday 13th
9.30am

Wednesday 22nd
1.30pm

November

Friday 14th
1.30pm

Wednesday 19th
6pm

Monday 24th
9.30am

December

Friday 12th
9.30am

All welcome! Please book online.

www.copnorprimary.co.uk/new-entrants/

Please use the link below to book. There is a google form on the page to complete to book your place:

<https://copnorprimary.co.uk/new-entrants/>

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES



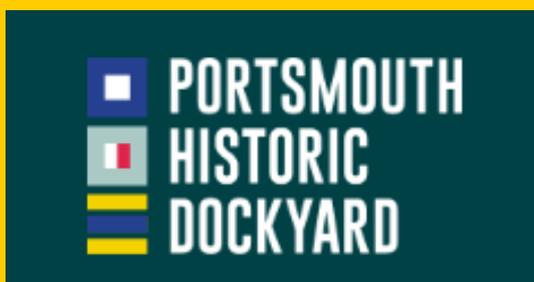
Please use the link below to book:

<https://www.funkddance.co.uk/book-online>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page for the Half Term club!

Please use the QR code on the flyer or the link below to book:

<https://andrewsimpsoncentres.org/courses?activity%5B%5D=holiday-clubs>



This October half term, the Dockyard is brimming with adventure and just a hint of Halloween magic. Step aboard historic ships, uncover spine-tingling stories of the sea, and enjoy plenty of fun that will captivate the whole family.

With plenty to explore (and a few surprises along the way), the Dockyard is the perfect autumn day out with a spooky twist!

<https://historicdockyard.co.uk/plan-your-visit/family-visitors/>

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

Continuing our sharing of the informative posters from #WAKEUP WEDNESDAY, National Online Safety. Please take the time to read through all the tips that will help to ensure that your children are safe online. This week's guide was shared last year so is just here as a little refresher for some of you..



At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.



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What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS



If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.



RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has informed UK residents of the age suitability of films, TV and music videos - providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVDs and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:



WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provide an additional warning regarding the content and what to expect, such as swearing, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the rating online before your child streams the content. It may also be a good idea to watch the content first yourself or discuss it with other parents to help you decide whether or not it is suitable for your child.

Source: www.bbfc.co.uk

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that ensures all video games are labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provide a content descriptor that indicates the potential issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Additional 'content descriptors' help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, fear, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two different ratings can provide a good level of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:



PEGI content descriptors are broken down into eight categories:



LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required proof of age, opening them up to age-inappropriate content without you knowing. We advise that you regularly monitor your child's gaming activities and maintain a honest and healthy dialogue with them about the online world.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts which your child may use to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Xbox Store etc.

Source: www.pegi.info