

NEWSLETTER

A WELCOME MESSAGE

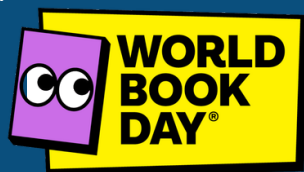
Welcome to what has been a record breakingly busy week here at Copnor Primary School - figuratively and literally speaking!

We are so proud to have been part of the successful record breaking event at Fratton Park and equally as proud of the rest of our children for their own school record breaking event!

We have so much to share this week that we have had to put together a special World Book Day Edition of our newsletter!

We hope you enjoying reading all about it and wish you a restful weekend.

Matt Johnson
Headteacher



UPCOMING EVENTS

Next week

11th - **Reading in Class - 8.35 - 8.55** - Your weekly opportunity to read in class with your child.

Year 5 - Swimming

Stemspiration Event - 3.30 - 4.45pm

12th - **EYFS** - National Child Measurement programme

13th - **EYFS** - National Child Measurement programme

Year 3 - Roman visitor



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS



Always follow the
WATER SAFETY CODE



It's been such a busy week with so many highlights, it is hard to know where to begin! As well as World Book Day fun, we've had visitors in Year 2 from UTC, visitors from the swimming team at Mountbatten to discuss water safety with all our children and we've got some fantastic work to share from EYFS. Read on to find out more..

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Books are a uniquely portable magic."

Stephen King



ATTENDANCE

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
KS1	97.74%	98.83%	95.93%	95.76%
KS2	95.41%	95.20%	96.69%	95.59%

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

HOUSE POINTS

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
This week	255	163	334	280
Total	2126	2695	1968	2680

Congratulations to **Alliance** 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 is a fantastic friend to all**.

Year	Class	Golden Child
EYFS	Hendra	Francesca
	Gray	Binkylei
	Donaldson	Arlo
1	Adeola	Tommy
	Field	
	Gravett	Olivia
2	Nightingale	Daisy
	Austen	Amber
	Seacole	Ivy-Rai
3	Adele	Ewurabena
	Sheeran	Louie
	Styles	Axenia
4	Thompson	Sebastian
	Rickman	Skye
	Elba	Yasmina
5	Banksy	Berrie
	Hockney	Sophia
	Lowry	Isabelle
6	Holmes	Baye
	Hamilton	Theresa
	Brownlee	Oakley



NOTICES



EYFS - NCMP REMINDER



A reminder that the School Nursing Team will be in school on **Thursday 12th** and **Friday 13th March** to carry out the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP).

YEAR 3 PARENTS BOTTLE TOPS NEEDED!



Please send it any spare plastic bottle tops for the children to use in their History lesson next Thursday.

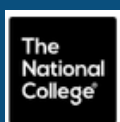
Thank you

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

We hope that you found last week's guide useful. As always, we will be sending this week's guide as a separate pdf and the picture below is also a link to the website.

This week's guide explains all about 'Group chats'.

Please take the time to read through all the tips that will help to ensure that your children are safe online.



EYFS - BEEP BEEP! DAY



EYFS will be taking part in Beep Beep! Day - a road safety day run by schools, nurseries, playgroups and childminders to teach important road safety basics to very young children. Here at Copnor Primary School, we have chosen to focus this day on our EYFS children with the support of our JRSOs (Junior Road Safety Officers).

It is run by Brake, the road safety charity, and focuses on three important topics:

- Holding hands with a grown up when walking near roads.
- Crossing roads at safe places with a grown up
- Using a child seat when travelling by car.

Last year it was a very successful day for the children and we are sure it will be again this year.

SEND PARENTS' EVENINGS NEXT WEEK



A reminder that if you have any concerns about your child's learning, Mrs Blake will be available on **Tuesday 10th March 9-5pm** and **Thursday 12th March 9-5pm**.

Please book an appointment through the school office.

BOOKSY BEAR WINNERS



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

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

A huge well done, **Field Class!** We are incredibly proud of you all!



PASTORAL TIP OF THE WEEK



15. Coping with your child's big emotions Pt 4.

Have you heard of a 'calm kit'? These can be great tools to help your child when they are experiencing some big emotions, or need some time to regulate their feelings. The calm kit can be used when your child is starting to become dysregulated or in the 'yellow' zone and help them to feel good and return to the 'green' zone. An alternative option is to provide a 'safe space' for your child to withdraw to or use when they experience big emotions and need some time to regulate.

CALM KITS

A calm kit is a box full of things to help you feel good. When you are feeling upset, anxious or having tricky thoughts, you can use the box to calm down, feel better and get yourself back in the green zone.

- Stress ball, nail file, soft clothing, hand lotion, beads, pop-it, fiddle toys, play doh/slime, weighted blanket, massage tool
- Photos of loved ones, images of places you'd like to be/go, something you like the look of
- Calming noises saved on a playlist (can put a picture in the box as a prompt), a CD, musical instrument
- Scented candle, oils, bath salts/bomb, lotion, food, perfume, scratch and sniff stickers
- Chocolate, sweets, mints, hot chocolate sachet, popping candy

SAFE SPACE

Some children like to create a den in their room, this could be a tent, a blanket and clothes pegs or a curtain. Fill it with cushions and blankets and their calm kit. Introduce it when they are calm and encourage them to use it when you notice early signs of anxiety/stress/anger.

Let your child choose what to put in their calm kit, they might like to decorate a box to keep it in. You could also have a travel calm kit to take our and about.



YEAR 2 - LEGO SPIKE



Year 2 had Nick from UTC on Monday to show the children how to use Lego Spike. The children worked in teams to build a snow mobile out of Lego and then they programmed their snow mobile to an iPad. The children put in a sequence of instructions on their iPads which made their snow mobile move. They had to problem solve to work out the right program sequence to make their vehicle travel in a certain way. They ended the morning racing their snow mobiles. The children had a lot of fun and showed fantastic team work and problem solving skills!



EYFS - SUPERTATO

In EYFS we have been enjoying the story 'Supertato' by Sue Hendra. This week the children have been turning their own vegetables into superheroes! The children have also been trying to capture the Evil Pea who has been causing mayhem in our classrooms!



BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK 2026

As part of British Science Week, we would, once again, like to invite you to join us for our Stemspiration Event on **Wednesday 11th March**.

British Science Week is an annual ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. It involves schools hosting engaging and events for people of all ages. This is the aim of Stemspiration!

There is also an annual poster competition for the children, see below for further information. We wish any of our children, who choose to take part, the best of luck with their entries.

Go and be curious!

COPNOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS THE

STEMSPIRATION EVENT

COME ALONG AND TAKE PART IN
STEM-RELATED ACTIVITIES
TOGETHER.

WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH
3:30PM - 4:45PM
AWAIT ENTRY IN KSI PLAYGROUND
ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PART IN THE KS2 HALL & CLASSROOMS WITH DOORS TO THE
PLAYGROUND.

Poster competition
OPEN NOW

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK
6-15 March 2026

BRITISH
SCIENCE
WEEK

Curiosity?

What's your question?

What makes children's lives positive?
What will a positive childhood look like in the future?

- S** How might science shape your future?
- T** How might technology shape your future?
- E** How does STEM provide enjoyment for children?
- M** What could scientists invent or make to help children of the future?

Closing date...
Entries should be in by 20th March - The winning entry from each key phase will be entered into the national competition!

BE CURIOUS -
ask questions,
explore and discuss!
use your imagination!

CREATIVE
Make sure your designs are colourful and eye catching - include your name and class on the back of your poster

Idea research
Think about what you use now...
...ask friends or family about what they think will make children's lives better in the future!

COMING SOON - LANGUAGE & HERITAGE WEEK



PORTSMOUTH
City of Languages

LANGUAGE & HERITAGE WEEK

16TH - 20TH MARCH 2026



CELEBRATE SPEAKING

Answering the register in many different languages!
This is a fun way to share and celebrate the many languages that make our community special.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY
Exploring the 'power of language learning'
Thinking about the many doors it can open - from connecting with others around the world to discovering new cultures, careers and opportunities.



HOME LEARNING - HERITAGE CELEBRATION CHALLENGE

We are inviting all children to create something that celebrates their **heritage, additional language, hometown, favourite place, or cultural background.**

This celebration is for everyone. Heritage can mean many things – it might be a language you speak at home, a place your family comes from, a tradition you celebrate, or simply somewhere or something in Britain that is special to you. We would love every child to share something about who they are and what matters to them.

Children can create anything they like, for example:

- Artwork or paintings
- A short story or piece of writing
- A poem
- A fact file about a country or culture
- A poster about a special place
- A collection of words or phrases in the chosen celebrated language
- A small craft or collage representing their culture
- A photo collage with captions
- Lyrics to a song or a short performance piece they have recorded

Please bring all creations into school by **Friday 20th March**, so they can be displayed and celebrated around the school.

We look forward to celebrating the languages, cultures, places, and stories that make our school community unique.



CONGRATULATIONS

BLAKE

Huge congratulations to Blake, who performed as Billy Elliott at the Portsmouth Business Awards last Friday evening. It was a stunning performance!

Wow! What a fantastic achievement Blake!

We are all very proud of you here at Copnor Primary School.



HAF FUN POMPEY BOOKINGS



HAF Fun Pompey

4 March 2025

HAF Easter activities

Bookings for Easter activities launch this Saturday

Just click on the text and you will be directed to the website to book your child's place.

You can also check on there whether you are HAF eligible below:

[Are you HAF eligible?](#)

Pack your child's Easter with adventure, creativity and non-stop fun! Children and young people can make a splash with exciting watersports like kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding, learn new skills in the kitchen with cook-a-long sessions, take part in high-energy games, tackle giant inflatables and cool off with pool-based activities.

There's also the chance to explore musical theatre, build confidence with adrenaline activities, make new friends and create brilliant memories along the way. With so much to enjoy, these sessions are will keep your kids active, inspired and smiling throughout the holidays.

Spaces go quickly every year so set your alarms for **Saturday 7 March, 9am** and book spaces with your child/ren!

Bookings will be available at www.eequ.org/haffunpompey