

NEWSLETTER

A WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome to our final newsletter of the Spring Term and what a fantastic Spring Term it has been! Our school has been full of energy, curiosity and plenty of smiles. From exciting class topics to special events, the children have amazed us with their enthusiasm and achievements as always.

Thank you to all our families and staff for your continued support—it truly makes our school community shine. We hope you enjoy this final round-up of Spring Term highlights.

Wishing everyone a happy, restful break!

Matt Johnson
Headteacher



UPCOMING EVENTS

1st week of Summer 1

April

- 13th- **Year 1 - Field Class** - Harold Hillier Trip
Year 3 - Dodgeball Taster Sessions
- 15th - **Year 1 - Gravett Class** - Harold Hillier Trip
Reading in Class - 8.35 - 8.55 your weekly opportunity to read in class with your child.
- 16th - **Year 1 - Adeola Class** - Harold Hillier Trip



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We often underestimate what a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring can do."



Charlie Mackesy



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

It's been a busy and exciting week! The children enjoyed our Spring Hunt, working together to solve clues around school. Our School Council met to share ideas for new and upcoming projects, showing great teamwork and leadership. We also celebrated the winners of our science week poster competition—well done to everyone who took part! There was also a whole lot more going on! Read on....



ATTENDANCE

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
KS1	99.21%	95.50%	94.20%	94.55%
KS2	93.09%	93.30%	93.98%	94.52%

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

HOUSE POINTS

Huge congratulations to **WARRIOR** house, the winners of the House Cup this term!

The children enjoyed their 'House Party' today to celebrate all their hard work.

Well done to them all!



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 has gone above and beyond with their learning this term.**

Year	Class	Golden Child
EYFS	Hendra	Evelyn
	Gray	Hunter
	Donaldson	Millie
1	Adeola	Florence
	Field	Mollie-Anne
	Gravett	Mabel
2	Nightingale	Papa
	Austen	Ily
	Seacole	Leah
3	Adele	Amelia
	Sheeran	Blossom
	Styles	Delcie
4	Thompson	Olive
	Rickman	Kyra
	Elba	Arez
5	Banksy	Maya
	Hockney	Bella
	Lowry	Ava
6	Holmes	Demi
	Hamilton	Finley
	Brownlee	Rosie



NOTICES



PARENT COURSES

Southampton Family Trust
building relationships

FREE ONLINE SEMINARS FOR PARENTS / CARERS
No need to book a place! Zoom details on the flyer

Does your child have or might have autism?

FREE ONLINE SEMINAR
"An Introduction to Parenting Children with Autism"
Insights and strategies for families

Thursday 16th April 2026, 7.30 - 9.00 PM

Zoom details on the flyer

Does your child have ADHD or ADHD traits?

FREE ONLINE SEMINAR
"An Introduction to Parenting Children with ADHD"
Insights and strategies for families

Thursday 23rd April 2026, 7.30 - 9.00 PM

Zoom details on the flyer

Parenting a child with oppositional behaviours?

FREE ONLINE SEMINAR
"An Introduction to Oppositional Behaviours (including Pathological Demand Avoidance)"
Insights and strategies for families

Thursday 11th June 2026, 7.30 - 9.00 PM

Zoom details on the flyer

Is your child masking at school and crashing at home?

FREE ONLINE SEMINAR
"Understanding Masking and Burnout in Neurodivergent Children"
Insights and strategies for families

Thursday 25th June 2026, 7.30 - 9.00 PM

Zoom details on the flyer

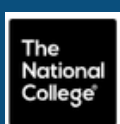
For further information about other courses, email: info@sftrust.org.uk

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. (You will need to create an account to access the guides on the website)

This week's guide explains all about 'How to combat online bullying'.

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



ALL ABOUT FAMILY SPRING EDITION



Please click on the magazine above to see the Spring Edition.

PTA EVENTS 2026



We all enjoyed our Spring Hunt today and are now looking forward to the next PTA event in Summer 1.

Friday 22nd May - Break the Rules Day

Wednesday 15th July - Summer Fayre

Please come and join us!

If you are interested in joining or supporting our fantastic PTA, please let us know using the button below and completing the short form:



We'd appreciate as much or as little help as you can offer. Without your support we are unable to hold these fantastic events for our children that give valuable support to our school.

UPDATES FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE



The School Council met this week and had a great time looking back over their list of ideas. They were excited to see how much has already been achieved!

For a start, the Reading Shed is to be opened at break times, and our fantastic Reading Ambassadors – along with council members – will help to keep it tidy and well-used.

Lunchtimes are also running more smoothly too. With clearly zoned activity areas and new crates for lunchboxes, the playground feels more organised and there's far less clutter (and fewer hungry birds wandering about!).

And of course, the recent Reading Buddies Swap on World Book Day was a huge hit—everyone enjoyed reading with new friends from different classes.

As always, the children were all lovely and respectful to each other during the discussions and when sharing their ideas.

YEAR 1 - EASTER COLOURINGS

Year 1 please remember to go and look for your colouring in the window of Harris and Steadman, a local business, who are displaying a wonderful collection of Easter style colourings.

The children also received a lovely thank you from Lee, Rachel & Leslie at Harris and Steadman:

Thank you to everyone at Copnor Primary School and especially the year 1 children who have done such a marvellous job colouring Easter pictures for our window display.

The pictures are in the windows now, they look like stained glass, so colourful.



Please have a look when you are passing.



EYFS - DONATIONS NEEDED

We have been busy reorganising and sorting our EYFS outdoor area. As we continue developing the space, we have noticed that we are missing some resources that would greatly enhance the children's learning and play.

If you have any of the following that you could donate, please bring them to EYFS. Thank you!

For the Mud Kitchen:



Metal pots and pans
Cake tins, Balti dishes, cake trays
Measuring spoons, wooden spoons
Measuring jugs, sieves



For Water Play & Small World Areas:

Water play toys
Small figures
Small dolls/character houses or accessories
Small vehicles

For Role Play:



Dolls, dolls' prams
Play kitchen food
Utensils and crockery



For Outdoor Environment:

Waterproof backed picnic blankets
Flowers, plants, or herbs (to brighten the area or use in play)
Shingle/pebbles
Small wooden planks

YEAR 6 - PCSO VISIT



This week our Year 6 children enjoyed a visit from our local Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs), who spoke with them about making safe and responsible choices online. They discussed the importance of respectful communication, including the rules around the Malicious Communications Act, and how to stay safe when using the internet.

We encourage you to ask your child about what they learned and continue the conversation at home. Open discussions help children feel confident, informed, and supported in their online lives.

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 the first week of the Summer Term.

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



PASTORAL TIP OF THE WEEK



18. How to make Easter healthier for your children

Easter is almost here! We know the Easter holidays can be a time when children are encouraged to overindulge in chocolate and sweets. Plus time away from their usual school routine could result in being less active than normal.

We want children to enjoy Easter as much as possible while improving their wellbeing. Here are some ideas to make the Easter break a little bit healthier for children.

Active Easter egg hunt

Children love an Easter egg treasure hunt, try and make it as active as possible by adding in activities such as jumping, skipping, hula hooping and running during the course.

Replace chocolate with gifts

Instead of giving children chocolate eggs and treats during an Easter treasure hunt, give them child friendly gifts, toys or jokes.

Make your own treats

If you don't want to hold back on the sweet treats, why not make your own? That way you can reduce the amount of sugar the kids consume.

Quality over quantity

Give children one Easter egg that they will really enjoy. Allow children to enjoy their egg on Easter Sunday, but don't let them over indulge every day during their time away from school.

Daily physical activities

Keep children occupied with daily physical activities that help them get 60 minutes of activity every day. Daily activity will improve their wellbeing, maintain fitness levels and help them to sleep better at night.

Eat like the Easter bunny

Encourage children to follow in the Easter bunny's footsteps by eating carrots, lettuce and lots of other healthy vegetables.

Take a long walk

Walking is a great form of activity and doesn't require too much effort, which makes it inclusive for all the family.

As you can see, you don't have to be a kill joy to encourage children to have a healthier Easter. You can make a big difference to children's health and wellbeing by making more informed choices and adding extra physical activities into their days. We hope you all have a wonderful Easter break.



YEAR 3 - UTC FORCES WORKSHOP



Our Year 3 children took part in an exciting forces workshop where they explored how pushes, pulls and twists affect the movement of different objects. Through a series of hands-on activities, pupils investigated friction, gravity and magnetism, testing their predictions and discussing what they observed.

The workshop encouraged teamwork, curiosity and lots of scientific questioning. By the end, the children had developed a clearer understanding of how forces play a part in the world around them—and had plenty of fun in the process!



YEAR 4 - RAINFOREST MOOD BOARDS



During a recent Art afternoon, Year 4 made mood boards - visual collages based on the fauna and flora found in the rainforests of the world.

They then created some abstract animal drawings using a viewfinder to focus on a specific part of the animal.

What fantastic artists they all are!



AUTISM FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE

As April is **Autism Awareness Month** we wanted to share with you 3 Question and Answer drop-ins for Autism & PDA.

You can ask questions about things you are struggling with or any challenges your child experiences.

No one needs to walk alone in the autism parenting journey.



They will take place on the following days:

Monday 6th April from 10am - 11am

Monday 6th April from 8pm - 9pm

Tuesday 7th April from 7pm - 8.30pm



These sessions are run by You Are Not Alone. Learn more about us at www.youarenotalone.community.

These sessions are totally free.

To request the Zoom link, please send an email to team@youarenotalone.community.

CONGRATULATIONS BELLA

Last Saturday, Bella completed her sponsored swim for Comic Relief and in memory of her Daddy.

She swam an amazing 52 laps in 53 minutes! Wow Bella that is truly remarkable swimming!

Bella has now raised a huge £310 for Comic Relief.

We are all so proud of you Bella here at Copnor Primary School and we believe your Daddy would be too!

Well done Bella!



WELL DONE ZARA!



Little Princess Trust

Last weekend, Zara cut off over 25cm of her hair to donate to the charity, Little Princess Trust.

The Little Princess Trust provides free real hair wigs to children and young people, up to 24 years, who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment and other conditions. They also fund childhood cancer research searching to find kinder and more effective treatments.

Zara's goal is £700 to provide one wig to a child or young person. This cost covers the making, fitting and styling of the wig.

If you feel you would like to contribute to Zara's fundraising, please use the button below:



Please note: This is not a Copnor Primary School event.

CONGRATULATIONS HARRISON & OSCAR



Recently, Harrison and Oscar completed the Corporate Chichester Challenge- these are three extremely fast and fun 1.4k races, in the dark, around the streets of Chichester!

Harrison competed in two races and Oscar took part in all three. Both represented the school very well and wore their tops with pride! The biggest race had 131 year 6 boys.

Their PB's were: Harrison's 2nd race 6mins 16 seconds, coming 94th.
Oscar's 3rd race 5minutes and 12 seconds and coming 17th.

They both ran so well and an extra well done to Harrison as was his first ever experience of competitive racing!



YEAR 4 RIVER TRIP

Year 4 visited the River Hamble in Lower Swanwick this week.

The children explored the river's physical and human features, learned how people use the river, and enjoyed some bird watching. A fantastic way to truly immerse themselves in their learning about rivers.



YEAR 2 CLAY AFTERNOON

We were delighted to welcome our Year 2 parents into school on Wednesday for a special clay tile workshop. It was fantastic to see such a great turnout, and the enthusiasm from both children and adults made the event truly memorable. Together, they followed instructions to create beautiful clay house tiles, and the finished pieces looked absolutely superb!

A big thank you to all the parents who came along and supported the activity, your involvement makes such a difference. Special thanks also go to Miss O'Hare for organising such a creative and enjoyable experience for everyone.



SPRING HUNT 2026



Spring has officially sprung at school this week!

Our children had a wonderful time today taking part in a lively spring hunt around the school grounds. Armed with keen eyes and lots of excitement, they explored every corner in search of hidden clues. It was a great chance to enjoy the outdoors, work together, and celebrate all the little wonders that spring brings!



NEW SPRING/SUMMER MENUS - CATERLINK

From **Monday 13th April** Caterlink will provide a new hot meal menu for **Spring/Summer**. This is available to view on our website and is also attached to the newsletter. Please take time to look at the menu with your child/children before pre-ordering via ScoPay due to the change of meal choices that have been made, for example, Jacket Potato will be available all week replacing Tomato Pasta on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Children who have special menus have already been contacted by the office. Please continue to email admin@copnorprimary.co.uk before 9:00am Monday morning with your child's meal choices for the week.

Children who have an allergy and are waiting for a special menu should continue to bring in a home packed lunch and cannot order from either of the menus.

If you have already pre-ordered a meal from 13th April onwards **please re-order from the new menus.**

SUMMER 1 CLUBS

BASKETBALL



Our Basketball After-School Club is the perfect way for children to stay active, build confidence, and develop their basketball skills in a fun and supportive environment.

Whether your child is a beginner or already loves basketball, this club encourages them to learn, improve, and most importantly – enjoy the game!

Click on the information button below to book your child's place:

Class details

Basketball After School Club 8 - 11 years (8 - 11yrs)
Wednesday 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Spaces Available

FOOTBALL

POMPEY IN THE COMMUNITY
2009

6 weeks for £36.00

Copnor Primary School Football After School Club

Information:

- School Years 1-2
- 3:15pm – 4:15pm
- Thursday 16th April to 21st May

Registration

Book via our website or give us a call!
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- WE PROVIDE INCLUSIVE AND AFFORDABLE DANCE FOR CHILDREN WHO SIMPLY LOVE TO DANCE AND PERFORM
- NO UNIFORM AND NO HIDDEN COSTS- JUST YOUR CHILD AND THEIR FEET!
- FREE AND LOW COST OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILD TO PERFORM IN SCHOOL AND LOCAL THEATRES