

NEWSLETTER

A WELCOME MESSAGE

It has been a fantastic first full week back at school. The children have continued to settle in really well to their new routines and are developing great relationships within their new class and with staff in their year group.

It has been wonderful to see the excitement, enthusiasm and positivity around the school, always so evident with our Copnor children. Our classrooms have been full of engaged learners who are already embracing new challenges, showing resilience, respect and teamwork, demonstrating our school values in everything they do.

Walking around the classrooms this week, I have been incredibly proud to see so many children demonstrating such positive attitudes to learning, showing kindness towards one another and embracing new opportunities with confidence.

Matt Johnson
Headteacher



UPCOMING EVENTS

**Next week
September**

All week - Year 4 - Tile Barn

15th - Year 3 - Dodgeball Taster Session
- Whole School - Dance Assemblies

16th - Reading in Class - 8.35 - 8.55 your weekly opportunity to read in class with your child.
- Year 5 - Dodgeball Taster Session

18th - Year 6 - NCMP



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS



We have been delighted to begin welcoming our new EYFS children and their families following their home visits, and we are looking forward to seeing them become an important part of our school family over the coming weeks.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"Let us remember; one book, one pen,
one child, and one teacher can change
the world."*



Malala Yousafzai



YEAR 5 - BIKEABILITY REMINDER

Bikeability training will be taking place in October. If you would like your child to take part, please complete the consent form using the QR code or link found in the letter emailed to Year 5 parents on 3rd September.



NEW ENTRANTS 2027

You can now book a visit to our school via our website or using the form below:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/U2UUy1Leic>

We look forward to welcoming you to visit our wonderful school community.



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 shows kindness in their words and actions towards everyone.**

Year	Class	Golden Child
1	Adeola	Luke
	Field	Theodore
	Gravett	Pixie
2	Nightingale	Billy
	Pankhurst	Elcy-May
	Seacole	Jeof
3	Fender	Myah
	Hill	Tallulah
	Styles	Victoria
4	Atkinson	Mason
	Elba	Riley
	Watson	Freya
5	Banksy	Kyla-Rae
	Blake	Rafe
	Hockney	Orla
6	Brownlee	Amelia
	Hamilton	Jude
	Russo	Eliza



NOTICES



YEAR 4 - TILE BARN WEEK

As many of our Year 4 children prepare to attend the residential visit to Tile Barn, we are delighted to offer an exciting programme of activities for those children who will be remaining in school during the week beginning 14th September.

Just a few notes for the week:



Children are **not expected to wear school uniform** during this week. They may come to school in comfortable, appropriate clothing suitable for the planned activities.

Please note that on **Monday and Friday**, children will be taking part in **physical activities**, including PE and karate sessions. We therefore ask that all children come to school wearing suitable clothing and footwear for exercise on these days.

As some activities may be creative or involve food preparation, we advise that children wear clothing that you do not mind getting a little messy.

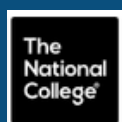


KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

We hope that you found the last 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 **'Supporting children to deal with upsetting content'**.

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



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Parent Power - Managing Children's Behaviour

Parenting can be tough!

Come along and learn some new strategies, helpful hints, tips and advice to establish boundaries and create a calmer, positive environment.

This course is recommended for parents / carers of children aged 2 - 11.

Free - 5 Sessions

Tuesday 10:00am - 12:00pm

15th, 22nd, 29th September

6th October

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PTA EVENTS 2026

children communication cooperation ideas
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Check here over the next few weeks as we announce all the exciting activities that our fantastic PTA will be planning and supporting over this next academic year!

In the meantime:

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:

Join the PTA!



We'd appreciate as much or as little help as you can offer.



PASTORAL TIP OF THE WEEK



Tip no. 2 - Praise the positives

It's easy, as parents and carers, to get caught up in the rush of everyday life and not notice all the small positive things that our children do each day. We can be quick to correct them but not always to praise the positives. I challenge you to notice all the small, positive actions, gestures and conversations your child does and praise them for it.

You can do this by:

- **Giving your child genuine praise** when you are proud of them or see a positive behaviour, with words, a shared look, a smile, thumbs up or another gesture, a hug or positive touch. This helps your child learn what positive behaviour looks like.
- **Showing genuine enthusiasm** when you give a compliment, smile and look at your child. Your child can tell if it's not genuine.
- **Making it clear and specific to your child what you are praising.** It will show you were paying attention and that you really mean it.
- **Using your child's name positively.** Sometimes you forget to use names in a positive way and you don't want your child to only hear their name when they are being called in a negative way. Let your child 'overhear' you talking positively about them too.
- **Noticing your child just for being who they are.** Praise doesn't always need to be used to encourage a certain behaviour.
- **Noticing a child's effort** as well as the outcome and praising the things they can control, change or do again rather than the things that are outside of their control. If you praise effort, it teaches your child to keep learning and keep trying.
- **Helping your child to learn and grow for themselves,** not by comparing themselves to others. Success doesn't need to be competitive.
- **Thinking about your child.** Some children would rather a quiet comment or look, others enjoy something louder and more showy – learn what works for your child.

Giving praise also helps you build a good relationship with your child, which will make you and your child happier.

Don't forget to give time to praise yourself too. When you encourage yourself with positive 'self-talk' you are more likely to do the same for your child.



