



Copythorne CE Infant School Newsletter December 2022



Our School Vision



Connected through the values of love, respect and compassion. Three separate schools, we journey together to grow physically, spiritually, emotionally and intellectually, so that everyone can fulfil their potential.

We strive to preserve the wonder of childhood, whilst ensuring our children are future ready.

“Be strong and of good courage, do not be afraid nor be dismayed for the lord your God is with you wherever you go” Joshua 1:9

Message from Mr Bowen

I say it every year - but I still can't quite believe how quickly Christmas has come around and how quickly the first term of school has sped by!

The children have been putting amazing efforts into learning words, songs and actions for our Christmas Nativity performances and I am sure you will all join me in thanking our amazing teaching team, who have worked with our pupils to enable them to perform in this year's Nativity "It's a baby"!

On behalf of all our staff and Governors, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a safe and happy Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you back in January.



Staffing changes

There will be some staff changes across the Federation, with Mrs Rose, our cover supervisor, moving to Netley Marsh. We welcome Mrs Tabley who will be joining the team as Copythorne's new cover supervisor.

You will also see some new faces as Miss Goody, Mrs Maclaurin and Mrs Davies are all supporting trainee teachers for this term.

Mrs Lawrence, who many of you will know as a parent and one of our lunch time supervisors, is supporting a learner at Saint Michaels starting in January.

Children in need – Thankyou to all who contributed towards children in need. This is a worthy cause and during my career, I have had the privilege to see the impact this charity has had on supporting children within school's I have worked. As a Federation you raised £466. A huge well done and a big thankyou!



School tours

Although our official school tours have now ended, we are still happy to show anyone around. We have a number of places in all year groups across the Federation and I would ask, that you direct anyone who may be seeking a school place to make contact – either for children starting school September 2023 or those looking for in year transfers.

email: adminoffice@copythorne.hants.sch.uk **Telephone:** 02380 813340

School reminders

Sickness—it is that time again when sickness bugs are common, please can we remind you that you are required to keep your child home from school for 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

The local authority have a list on their website of common childhood illnesses and conditions from conjunctivitis to head lice, as well as symptoms such as a high temperature and a sore throat and what these might mean. There is advice about what to do and when a child should return to education after being treated. Visit the <https://what0-18.nhs.uk/parentscarers/worried-your-child-unwell/child-unwell-ok-go-nurseryschool>. If you are unsure about a child's wellbeing, please talk to your local pharmacist, call the NHS helpline on 111, or contact your GP.

Telephone numbers

A reminder that the main school number is 023 8081 3340. If you receive a call from the school please ensure you call back on the number above and not redial as this could take you through to a back up number which only allows outgoing calls and does not ring in the office.

Volunteering at school

I would like to thank everyone for their patience while we ensure that all our safeguarding and pre volunteering information is up to date and accessible to all.

Our website now has all the information which we ask anyone working in our schools to have read. Please do let the admin team know if you are interested in volunteering so they can direct you to the relevant documents and manage the sign off process.

<https://www.oakscelearningfederation.co.uk/volunteers-helpers>



Wednesday 14th December	Christmas lunch and Christmas Caper day
Thursday 15th December	Ukulele concert year 2—9.30am school hall
Friday 16th December	PTFA Christmas Shopping room pm
Friday 16th December	Last day of term
Tuesday 3rd January	Back to school
Sunday 15th January	Year R & Year 3 Admissions Deadline (midnight)
Wednesday 18th January	Family Worship
Thursday 19th January	Census Day
Thursday 9th February	PTFA Valentine Disco - Copythorne Parish Hall
Friday 10th February	INSET DAY
Monday 13th—Friday 17th February	HALF TERM
Tuesday 28th February	Parent consultations
Thursday 7th March	Parent consultations

Term Dates for 2022/ 23

Spring Term 1	Tuesday 3rd January 2023	Friday 10th February 2023
Spring Term 2	Monday 20th February 2023	Friday 31st March 2023
Summer Term 1	Monday 17th April 2023	Friday 26th May 2023
Summer Term 2	Monday 5th June 2023	Friday 21st July 2023
Inset Days School Closed	Friday 10th February Monday 26th June	

