



Year 4 Newsletter

Copthorne Primary School

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Welcome back!

We hope you all had a pleasant break. The new academic year has got off to a great start, and we would like to thank you all for making sure all children are wearing the correct uniform, and have come to school ready to learn. We request that children have their Raving Readers books in school each day so that we keep our reward charts up to date and get prizes awarded as soon as possible. This includes the activities in the Raving Reader books, which need to be completed in the back of their homework books. Mathletics, Spag.com and Bug Club activities are updated weekly and we ask that you support and encourage your children to complete these.

During our English lessons we are focusing our learning on the adventure story, 'The Iron Man'. We will be reading and analysing writing, the language the author uses, and your children will think about the effect this has on the reader. This will then inform our learning when creating letters, diary entries, poetry and a newspaper report. We will continue to work on children's knowledge of spelling, punctuation and grammar by developing their understanding of how to use inverted commas to punctuate speech, and to use compound and complex sentences in their writing.

In Science, children will be learning about states of matter, focusing on solids, liquids and gasses and their individual properties.

During Maths lessons, we will focus on developing children's knowledge of place value and the four operations. Please support your children with their learning at home by using Mathletics.

In Music, children will continue to learn to play the ukulele as well as partake in weekly singing assemblies.

In PE, children will be playing basketball, football and hockey.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and look forward to working with you to ensure your children have another fantastic year at Copthorne.

Impressionism



In Copthorne Curriculum we will be learning about the art movement Impressionism.

We will be focusing on the creation of Impressionism, the great Impressionist masters Vincent van Gogh and Claude Monet, and be learning about how Impressionism has influenced contemporary art.

We will also be developing our skills as artists through sketching, painting, printing and quilling, an intricate technique using coiled paper.

Reminders

PE Times

4 Beech: Thursday (outdoor PE). Tuesday (indoor PE).

4 Poplar: Monday (outdoor PE), Tuesday (indoor PE).

Homework

English and Maths homework is now a continuous part of the homework policy, this will be set through Mathletics, SPAG.com and Bug Club.

Children will also be given spellings to learn at home and will be tested on these at school.

We will now be setting a project based homework every fortnight. This will be a chance for the children to show the breadth of their skills across the curriculum.