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COPPERMILL WEEKLY

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Autumn Term

Friday 17th November 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

I am extremely proud to be able to share a letter received today by the Minister of State for School Standards acknowledging our outstanding achievement in our 2017 KS1 phonics screening check and placing us in the top 6% of all primary schools in the country. Please see the letter overleaf.

In addition, our 2017 KS2 progress data places us in the top 5% of all schools nationally. Please see the report section of our website for further details.

This is credit to the dedication of our staff and governors, hard work of our pupils and the continued support of all of you.

As the festive season edges nearer, the children will be rehearsing for their Christmas performances. Please encourage them to practise their lines (and songs!) at home. Please look out for our Christmas Events newsletter next week.

Keep warm this weekend.

Best wishes
Mrs Figen Bektaşoğlu
Headteacher

We raised a total of £93.20 for The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal! Thank you all for your donations.

NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

We are having a non-school uniform day on **Friday 1st December** in order to raise chocolate donations for the 'Needle in a Snowstorm' game at our PTA Christmas Fayre.

Please could your child bring in their chocolate donation on the day and hand it in to the class teacher or school office.



Many thanks!



Save the Children CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Along with thousands of other people across the country, we are holding a **Christmas Jumper Day** in aid of Save the Children on **Friday 15th December**.

If your child would like to join in our fundraising, please could they come to school wearing their fabulously festive Christmas jumper on the day and please donate **£1.00** (the donation can be handed in to their class teacher). All proceeds will be sent to Save the Children.



Our **Reception & Nursery Outdoor Area** has recently been refurbished with lovely equipment for the children and is set-up every evening, ready for the following day - specifically laid out for the children's learning time.

Please can we kindly ask that children **do not** disturb the area / play with the resources before or after-school whilst waiting to enter the classroom.

We politely request that bikes & scooters are **not** brought into school if you are collecting your child early, as we are unable to access the bike shed during the school day.



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

MOON	92.8%
PLUTO	95%
JUPITER	95.3%
EARTH	97.6%
SUPERNOVA	97.3%
COMET	98.6%
STAR	96.3%
SUN	95.4%
MARS	96.7%

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 21st November	Year 2 Earth Trip to the London Transport Museum
Tuesday 28th November	Year 5 Sun & Star Trip to The Science Museum
Friday 8th December	PTA Christmas Fayre - 3:45pm-5:30pm
Friday 15th December	<u>Last Day of Term</u> - school finishes at 2:00pm



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

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Mrs Figen Bektasoglu
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13 November 2017

Dear Mrs Bektasoglu,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on your school's outstanding achievement in the 2017 phonics screening check.

Early fluency in decoding is a necessary first step in acquiring the key skill of reading. There is a substantial body of evidence demonstrating that systematic phonics is the most effective method for teaching children to read. We want to ensure that every child develops a firm grasp of phonics, which is why I was delighted to see your results. With 96 per cent of pupils at Coppermill Primary School reaching or exceeding the pass mark in the check, your school is in the top 6 per cent of all primary schools in the country.

Your success in teaching phonics means your pupils are developing a firm foundation in reading, from which they can become increasingly fluent and develop a lifelong love of reading.

Thank you for your work in this vital area of a child's early education and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Nick Gibb'.