



Headteacher's Message

Firstly, I would like to say a massive THANK YOU to everyone who came and supported our Outdoor Action Day last Saturday. We achieved so much amazing work on the day to make our fantastic outdoor spaces look even better, and lots of children have enjoyed exploring the new path in the forest this week! We hope to hold another Outdoor Action Day soon, so keep your eyes open for the date!

Children across school learnt about VE Day earlier this week and yesterday, we held a very special lunch in our school hall, where we were delighted to welcome residents and staff from Briercliffe Lodge Care Home. It was a lovely event and the children were really excited to receive their special picnic lunches!

Here at Coates Lane, we always excel in school sport and the past couple of weeks have been no exception! We have taken children to football, netball, cricket and even crown green bowling recently and, as always, our children were an absolute credit to our school.

Also attached to this newsletter are two further information leaflets. One is the monthly Online Safety Newsletter, which is packed full of useful information about keeping children safe online. Secondly, the Mental Health Support Team have also created a newsletter to inform you about their work and also the parent workshops coming up in May and June.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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Citizenship Winners

A huge well done goes to our April winners of the Citizenship Award:

Reception – Eirin H
Year 1 – Martha P
Year 2 – Arthur W
Year 3 – Matilda P
Year 4 – Jack H
Year 5 – Scarlett E
Year 6 – Daisy S

This afternoon, these fantastic children enjoyed a walk into town and a special treat from Simply Wicked Café! Well done everyone!

Trim Trail Update

Over the past week, it has become apparent that the trim trail (next to the playground) is currently unsafe to use, due to a number of the wooden parts becoming wobbly and starting to rot. This includes the balance beams as well. This equipment was installed 12 years ago so has been with us for a long time. Unfortunately, we will have to arrange to have this equipment removed as it isn't safe for children to play on. **Please, therefore, do not allow your child to play on this equipment before or after school.**

DO NOT PANIC THOUGH – I am already looking at options to have a new trail installed in its place and we will involve the children in this decision to choose new equipment. This doesn't happen overnight but please rest assured that a new trail will be coming!



AWARD WINNERS



Achiever of the Week –

2nd May

Reception – James L
Year 1 – Oliver S
Year 2 – Freddie H
Year 3 – Ava-Rose T
Year 4 – Ethan C
Year 5 – Harry S
Year 6 – Charlotte B

Golden Book Winner –

2nd May

Reception – Reuben H
Year 1 – Seth M
Year 2 – Freddie S
Year 3 – Freeda A
Year 4 – Alfie-Jay H
Year 5 – Emily G
Year 6 – Archie I-M

Achiever of the Week –

9th May

Reception – Teddy S
Year 1 – Archie W
Year 2 – Cameron B
Year 3 – Jenson K
Year 4 – Evelyn M
Year 5 – Jack C
Year 6 – Harry F

Golden Book Winner –

9th May

Reception – Mason K
Year 1 – Oliver S
Year 2 – Hunter F
Year 3 – Joey T
Year 4 – Alfie C
Year 5 – Eesaah S
Year 6 – Maham K

Well done to everyone who has achieved a recognition award during this week too!

Attendance Winners

2nd May 2025 – Reception, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5
9th May 2025 – Reception, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4

House Point Winners

2nd May 2025 – Saxons
9th May 2025 - Tudors

Open Classrooms

As mentioned on previous newsletters, our Open Classrooms are happening very soon. This is a chance for you (or other family members e.g. Grandparents) to come into school for an afternoon and take part in some of the fun learning activities in school with your child.

Here is a reminder of the dates, including the confirmed date for Year 4's Open Classroom:

Year 1 – Monday 19th May from 1:30pm to 3:00pm
Year 2 – Tuesday 20th May from 10:30am to 12:00pm
Year 3 – Tuesday 20th May from 1:30pm to 3:00pm
Year 4 – Thursday 5th June from 1:30pm to 3:00pm
Year 5 – Monday 12th May from 1:30pm to 3:00pm
Year 6 – Wednesday 4th June from 1:30pm to 3:00pm

This is something new that we are trying this year and we hope that you can attend. There is no need to book – just come to the school office on the correct day and time and we will meet you there.

We look forward to seeing you there to help us make these Open Classroom events a real success 😊

Governor Update

A few weeks ago, we sent out nomination forms with the aim of filling the vacant parent governor role. I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Paula Kitson (who's son Mason is in our Reception class) has been successful in gaining this role. Everyone at Coates Lane extends her a warm welcome to the governing body and I know that she will be a dedicated, committed governor and an asset to the governing board. Also, I am very pleased to inform you that Miss Hooper (Year 2 teacher) has also been successful in becoming our new Staff Governor and I know that she can't wait to get started in this additional role.

