

Dear Parents

I would like to introduce myself as a trainee teacher who has been placed at Copdock Primary for the autumn term of my training. Before embarking on teacher training, I graduated from the University of Oxford this summer with a first class degree in Archaeology and Anthropology – two subjects I am very passionate about and believe can open people up to a whole world of different times, places, cultures and people in unusual and fascinating ways. As a way of sharing the skills and knowledge I gained from my degree, I am very excited to be running an Archaeology Club on Tuesdays after school 3:30-4:30pm.

As part of the club, students will be digging a 'test pit' on the school field to find and investigate what past residents and students of Copdock left behind. Test pits are a great way of allowing children and novices, with the help of skilled supervisors, to explore their local past, learn some archaeological skills and have some fun along the way. Throughout the project I will be supervising the children and helping them to develop their methods of excavation, recording and investigation.

Due to the nature of the project we can only accommodate **eight KS2 students**. Places will be given on a first come first serve basis, so if your child would like to be part of Archaeology Club, you must register their interest to the school office by Friday 2nd October. For students who get a place, the club will start on Tuesday 6th October, followed by: 13th October, 20th October, 3rd November and 10th November. To ensure they can dig safely, students should bring some old trousers and a pair of wellies that they can change into. These will need to be stored in their lockers. As we move further into Autumn it will get colder and wet so a warm waterproof coat will be needed.

Many thanks,

Miss Bound (Squirrels class)