

Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

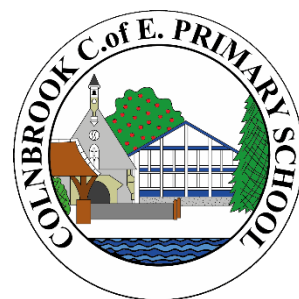
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Tuesday, 2nd November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. I hope you had an opportunity to relax over the half term break. I am writing to you today to provide some information I hope you will find useful as we begin this half term.

Our Promotional Film

Last half term, we were visited by a videographer who has produced a fantastic short film about our school. We are delighted to be able to show you this film which is now available on the school website. We hope you agree that this film celebrates the many great aspects of our school and it certainly makes me feel proud to be part of this community.

Curriculum Newsletters

Each class' autumn term curriculum newsletters are available on the school website. These were sent home at the beginning of the autumn term. Take a moment to look at what your child will be learning this term and we encourage you to talk to your child at home about what they have learnt at school. We enjoy seeing learning that is completed at home, so if you have anything you would like us to see, please bring it in to show class teachers.

COVID-19

We remain committed to reducing the spread of coronavirus and we already have various measures in place in school including:

- Regular handwashing or sanitising and promoting good hand hygiene
- Good ventilation in all classrooms, with airflow checked with carbon dioxide monitors
- Twice weekly testing of staff and increased testing where there is a positive case
- Staggering of exit times for Year 1 & 2 and Years 3-6 to reduce the number of people on site
- Staggered break times for Years 1 to 3 and Years 4-6 to reduce possible contacts
- Extending our morning drop off time to reduce the number of people on site at one time
- Staggering of hall lunch times and thorough cleaning of tables and seats between year groups to reduce possible contacts
- Additional cleaning of frequently touched surfaces at lunchtimes

However, the virus is still continuing to spread and there are additional measures that we may introduce if we see cases rise in school including the reintroduction of face coverings for staff, switching to virtual collective worship via Microsoft Teams and further separation of classes at lunch time. We keep measures under constant review and have plans in place to implement these if needed.

You can help at home by taking lateral flow tests twice a week and ensuring that children have a PCR test if they display a high temperature, a persistent cough or they lose their sense of taste and / or smell. If you are unsure and want medical advice, please dial 111.

Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform; details of expectations are available on the school website. As the weather gets colder, please ensure children come to school wearing a coat as they will be outside at break time and lunch time unless there is heavy rainfall. All items of uniform, and personal items such as coats, must be clearly named.

Upcoming events this half term:

Please bear in mind that some events may change due to public health recommendations to help stop the spread of Covid-19.

Meet the Senior Leadership Team: 4:00pm – 4:30pm 8th November

This half term we will be holding a virtual meeting via Zoom for you to 'Meet the Senior Leadership Team'. At this meeting we will be talking about our therapeutic approach to behaviour regulation and our policy for managing behaviour. A link for you to access the meeting will follow.

Parents' evening: 3:30pm – 6:00pm 16th & 17th November

We will be holding parents' evening *online* again this term to help reduce the spread of Covid-19. You will be able to book an appointment with your child's class teacher for a Microsoft Teams meeting or a telephone conversation. More information will be sent home later this week.

And finally...

Below are some other dates to add to your family calendar or diary. Please note that events could change at short notice due to public health advice around coronavirus.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with us and we will do our best to help. You can call the office on 01753 683661 or email mail@colnbrookprimary.com

Yours sincerely,



Mr. T. Brunson
Headteacher

DIARY DATES	
Wednesday 3 rd November	Year 3 visit to St Thomas' church Reflective Garden
Thursday 4 th November	Reception Class and Year 2: Bird of Prey Workshop
Monday 8 th November	Resource Base trip
Monday 8 th November	Meet the SLT: 4:00pm (via Zoom)
Thursday 11 th November	SEN: Parent Drop-in session— 2.15pm—3.30pm
Friday 12 th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 16 th November	Parent Afternoon: 3.30-6pm (online)
Wednesday 17 th November	Parent Afternoon: 3.30-6pm (online)
Wednesday 24 th November	Year 6 to Slough Baptist Church
Thursday 25 th November	SEN: Parent Drop-in session— 2.15pm—3.30pm