

# Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

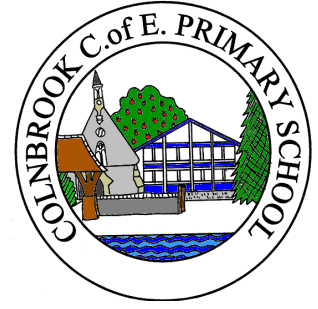
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## Newsletter

8th December 2023

**Be strong and courageous** Joshua 1:9

Our focus value is: **Resilience**

### A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week celebrating Christmas together as a community. I hope you enjoyed participating with your children and that you've heard about all the other events in school.

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Christmas Fair on Tuesday. Congratulations go to our raffle prize winners and huge thanks to those who donated prizes including Budgens, Superdrug, Mercure Hotels and Venture Photography, Eton.

We enjoyed having Christmas lunch together on Wednesday alongside class Christmas parties where lots of fun was had with games and fun activities. Thank you to those of you who attended the Church service yesterday. Children from Year 3 and 4 led a wonderful service, telling the story of the first Christmas.

Finally, see within today's newsletter we say goodbye to Mrs Ford who has worked at Colnbrook for 17 years and is the brains behind this weekly newsletter! We wish her every happiness as she goes travelling and gets to spend time with her family.

I wish you all a safe, happy and enjoyable break and we will see you back in school on **Wednesday 3rd January 2024**.

**Mr T. Brunson**  
Headteacher

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### Church Section

Everyone is welcome at St Thomas Church  
Christmas events and services:

15th December - 7pm - Community Carol singing in the Church followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

17th December - 9:30am - Communion / 3pm Christingle

24th December - Christmas Eve

4pm Crib Service / 11:30pm Midnight mass

### Worship Section

Christmas Service - St Thomas Church



## Christmas Service St Thomas Church



## End of term awards



## Prayer Shed



All children from Reception to Year 6 visited the Prayer Shed. Some met by Reverend Janet or Reverend Samson who read nativity stories with them.



## Christmas Jumper Day / Christmas lunch / Class Parties



## PTA Christmas Fayre & Grotto

Huge thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas Fayre this week which raised £697.46 & to the children that enjoyed meeting Father Christmas in his Grotto which raised £276.80.





## Farewell to Mrs Ford



Today we say goodbye to Mrs Ford, our long standing PA to the Headteacher. Mrs Ford has been working at Colnbrook Primary for 17 years, working extremely hard behind the scenes to keep the school ticking like clockwork. She leave us today to go travelling with her husband and is looking forward to spending more time with her family. Everyone at Colnbrook would like to say a huge THANK YOU to Mrs Ford for her commitment, determination and hard work over the past 17 years. We will miss her energy and eye for detail! We wish her every happiness for the future and look forward to receiving postcards from her travels!



## Termly book review from Mrs Bharj



### December book review: Don't Call Me Sweet! By Smriti Halls, recommended for Early Years

In this book we meet a cute little monster who is keen to emphasise all the things that make him scary, his sharp claws, spiky teeth and terrifying roar! He wants to be called stinky and slimy and never to be called 'sweet'...until he meets someone more monstrous than himself, a massive ogre who likes the look of a stinky, slimy monster for a teatime snack! Suddenly the little monster decides he's the nicest monster you could meet who's actually rather sweet....

Children may see a reflection of themselves wanting to be more grown up in this lovely, funny book! With sharp rhyme and repetition, it's the perfect night-time read for children to join in with.

## Reminders

**Reception to Year 6 first day back will be on 3rd January.**

**Nursery's first day back will be 4th January 2024.**

**After school clubs do not start back until week starting 8th January 2024.**

## DIARY DATES

18th Dec– 2nd Jan	Christmas Break
3rd Jan	School opens
4th Jan	Nursery opens
3rd Jan	School opens
4th Jan	Nursery opens
11th Jan	Yr 5 Swimming begins and will be weekly until 21st March