

Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

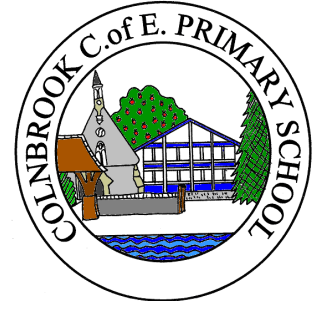
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Newsletter

29th September 2023

Be strong and courageous Joshua 1:9

Our focus value is: **Aspiration**

A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Supporting our children to read, and helping them to develop a love of reading, is one of our top priorities as a school. Children in school take part in daily phonics or reading sessions, but we wanted to share some ideas with you too. Over the page is the first of our book reviews, this week written by Mrs Bharj. Over the coming months, we hope to share some recommendations for good reads in case your child is stuck for their next book. I look forward to taking up some of the recommendations!

Deacon Margaret started us off on our journey towards marking Harvest Festival in the coming weeks in collective worship on Wednesday. Harvest is an important time to give thanks for all that we have, as well as an opportunity to help those in need. Take a look over the page for some key dates to be aware of as we mark Harvest together as a community through October.

Don't forget... after school on Monday is our PTA cake sale to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Please come along and support this great cause.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mr T. Brunson
Headteacher

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Worship Section

This Wednesday's collective worship was led by Deacon Margaret, who for those of you who don't know, is the minister at the Colnbrook and Poyle Methodist church.



The focus was 'Harvest' and the message for the children is that we know that giving is an act of worship. We should feel joy when giving and should respond by giving willingly and cheerfully.



Church Section

Everyone is welcome at St Thomas' Church Harvest Festival Service on Sunday at 11:00am.

We are collecting items to give to the Slough Food Bank. These can be brought on Saturday or Sunday morning. There will be refreshments afterwards.

Slough Music Service

If you would be interested in your child learning an instrument in school, please visit the Slough Music Service website: www.sloughmusicservice.co.uk to complete an application form.

They do offer subsidies for low-income families.

Attendance

Nursery AM	100%
Year 4	100%
Year 1	97.50%
Year 2	97.08%
Year 6	96.88%
Year 5	96.55%
Reception	93.33%
Year 3	93.10%
Nursery PM	81.25%

Star of the Week

Year 1	-	Aarav
Year 2	-	Gabriela
Year 3	-	Myra
Year 4	-	Jack
Year 5	-	Kobie
Year 6	-	Mia

Reminder Information

Reception-Year 6 Flu Immunisations

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If you haven't done so already, please complete the online

FLU IMMUNISATION form, by clicking on this link: <https://www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> and put in the school code **BK139567**.

If you do not want your child to be immunised, you will still need to complete the form to indicate non-consent.

Individual School Photos

A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Thursday 5th October 2023**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk
If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Parental Signatures Booklet (Years 1-6)

It is important that all parents return the completed booklets to ensure we have up-to-date information regarding your child.

Congratulations to:

Mrs Bondhi Venkateswarlu who won the raffle and received a £20 Amazon voucher.

PTA Cake Sale:

Monday 2nd October

You will have received a letter about our PTA holding their annual cake sale on Monday after school, in the playground, in aid of

Macmillan Cancer Support

We would be very grateful to receive donations of cakes and biscuits, and please come along to buy some.

KS2 Pantomime: Windsor Theatre

A letter for children in Years 3 - 6. Please either pay in full, or send in your first instalment.

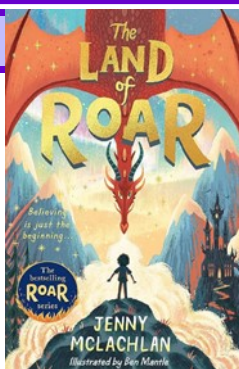
Year 6 visit to St Thomas' Church

On Wednesday, Year 6 visited the quiet garden at St Thomas' church for some reflection time. They took prints of the leaves and wrote prayers or thoughts on those leaves about people who are close to them.



Book Review

As you will hopefully be aware, we place great importance on reading at our school. This year we are advocating our 'Reading for Pleasure' sessions where all children will listen to an adult reading aloud to them daily. We encourage parents to do the same at home too as there really is no better way of supporting the development of your child's reading and writing skills. This term we are going to begin sharing monthly book reviews with you in the hope that we can inspire you to read something new at home.



Kickstarting the book review this month with:

The Land of Roar by Jenny McLachlan recommended for ages 8-12

If you enjoy reading books about make believe worlds like Narnia or Neverland this action-packed book is perfect for you. When Arthur and Rose were small, they created an imaginary world called Roar and filled it with the creatures from their wildest dreams. They were the heroes of Roar and together had many happy adventures there. Now that the siblings are older, Roar is just a distant memory. Rose spends all her time with her new friends and seems to have completely forgotten about Roar and her brother, Arthur. That is until one day, Arthur notices a mysterious figure watching him from the attic window and their grandad disappears. Can he really have been spirited away into the Land of Roar? Arthur and Rose must put aside their differences and go back to Roar if they are to save their Grandad and the creatures who live there before it is forgotten forever.

Mrs Bharj

DIARY DATES

2nd Oct	PTA Cake Sale: 3:15pm (Macmillan Cancer Support)
13th Oct	Non-uniform day: Harvest Festival. Bring a donation for Slough Foodbank
16th Oct	PTA Harvest Disco: EYFS/Year 1/Year 2: 3:15pm
17th Oct	PTA Harvest Disco: Year 3 and Year 4: 3:15pm
18th Oct	Year 4 visit to St Thomas' church garden
18th Oct	PTA Harvest Disco: Year 5 and Year 6: 3:15pm
19th Oct	Harvest Church service: 2:15pm
20th Oct	End of term
23rd—27th Oct	Half term break
30th Oct	School re-opens