

Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

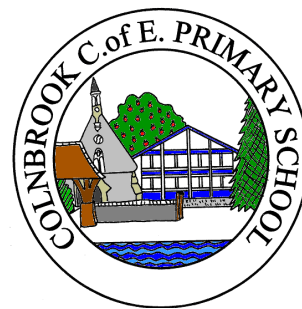
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Newsletter

17th May 2024

Be strong and courageous Joshua 1:9

Our focus value is: **Community**

A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Children in Year 6 did a brilliant job this week as they took their statutory end of key stage tests. I was incredibly proud of the whole class who demonstrated courage and resilience throughout the week. Well done Year 6! A big well done also goes to Year 2 who took their tests this week and also did a brilliant job.

Year 5 put on a musical spectacle this week with an excellent trumpet concert! The children have been learning to play the trumpet in their music lessons this year and I was incredibly impressed with their performance. Well done Year 5! You can read more about this over the page. Thanks to Slough Music Service who provide these lessons to our school.

Have a great weekend!

Mr T. Brunson
Headteacher

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Worship Section

Pentecost is being celebrated in churches this weekend and we took time to think about this festival this week in worship.

Pentecost is when Christians celebrate the Holy Spirit being sent by God. Christians believe that the Holy Spirit helps them to show the 'Fruits of the Spirit'. These are: patience, kindness, joy, love, faithfulness, peace and goodness. We discussed how these 'fruits' help us to be kind and thoughtful of others.



Think: When have you shown one of these fruits this week?

Year 2 & Year 6 SATs

This week saw both Year 2 & Year 6 sitting their SAT examinations.

We have been so proud of the children this week during their KS1 & KS2 SATs. They have demonstrated many of our values, especially resilience and aspirations by giving 100% effort in all their papers.

Everyone attempted as many questions in the times given and even checked through their answers with particular care. They have been strong and courageous as they came across many tricky questions, but were not discouraged and powered on through. Well done to Year 2 & Year 6!

Church Section

Sunday 19th May

The service this week at St Thomas is at 9:30am. It will be café style, a less formal service. We welcome everyone and refreshments are served before and afterwards. There are always activities for children.



Attendance

Year 6	99.14%
Year 5	98.33%
Reception	96.25%
Year 2	96.25%
Year 3	95.83%
Year 1	95.42%
Year 4	92.67%
Nursery AM	91.13%
Nursery PM	86.89%

Star of the Week

Nursery	- Daniel
Reception	- Ismael
Year 1	- Ayla
Year 2	- Aazz
Year 3	- Chisara
Year 4	- Grace
Year 5	- Alan
Year 6	- All of Year 6

Learning snapshot

Here is a look at what the children have been up to this week.

Early Years - have been working together to create obstacle courses this week to help with their gross motor skills



Year 1 - Year 1 were investigating the different parts of leaves and their purposes this week in Science.



Haaris said

"We had a look at the leaves. We looked at the parts.
It was fun."



Year 2 - The children have been learning about Judaism and in class have enjoyed making their own Mezuzah scroll

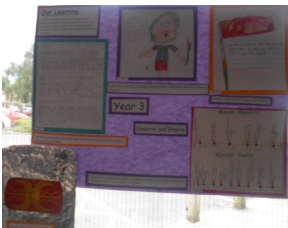


Aaron Orr said

"I enjoyed making my Mezuzah scroll because I respect
"Waheguru" who is my god."



Year 3—In topic the children have been learning about the Romans. For PE they have been learning and exploring different Roman dances. We are excited to go on our trip to Reading Museum after half term.



Robert said

"We watched a video to learn the moves. It was
great."



Year 4 - In year four we have been studying measures of time. Not only hours and minutes, but days weeks, months and leap years!



Rakin said

"I found this topic easy as i know how to tell the time
using an analogue clock! . "

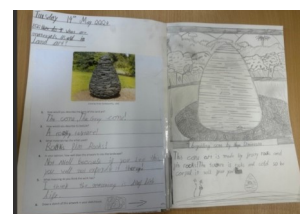


Year 5 - In art we have been learning about land art – this is when artists use things from nature to create sculptures out of art. The children then drew their very own copies of the installations from land art artists.



Naya said

"We sketched out our own copies of the natural land
art . "



Year 5 Trumpet concert

Wednesday the Hall was alive with the sounds of Trumpets, courtesy of Year 5.

The children performed to parents and teaching staff. Lead by Lucy Stoker of Slough Music Service the children showcased what they have learning.

The children first performed a warm up before they went straight into the main event. Songs included "When the Saints", "Oh Yeah", "Uptown Funk" & "Power In Me."

All their hard work and practice paid off.

Thank you to all the parents that came to the performance, we hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did performing for you.



September 2024 - update for Parents

The first day of the next academic year has now been confirmed. Inset days for staff will be 2nd & 3rd September. The first day back after summer holidays will be Thursday 5th September for all children.

Grammar School Information for Year 5 Parents

If your child is **currently in Year 5** and you would like them to attend a Slough grammar school from Year 7, you must apply for them to take the 11+ exam. The Slough Grammar School Consortium is now taking applications, but the deadline is **10am on 12th June 2024**.

Please be aware that if you do not apply by the deadline, your child will not be able to take the 11+ test in September and they will not be eligible to apply for admission to a grammar school in Slough. For more information visit: <https://slough.applicaa.com/6>

To apply for grammar schools in other local authorities (e.g. Hillingdon or Buckinghamshire), please contact the authority directly as there are different tests for each area.

Message from Mr Thomas

Our SENDCo, Mr Thomas is continuing to offer drop in appointments for parents to discuss any questions or concerns they might have about their child's needs. Each consultation is for a maximum of 15 minutes. On the last Friday of every month, there will be four appointment slots available, which must be booked in advance by contacting the school office. The next session will be on Friday 24th May from 2pm. Please remember that this does not replace speaking with your child's teacher first regarding any concerns about your child.

Message from Mrs McLaughlin

Reminder for Year 6 parents. For those who wish to purchase a Leavers Hoodie, please ensure you drop order form and money to the school office.

In addition to this, if you are not ordering a hoodie permissions slip does still need to be completed & returned to confirm you give permission to use your child's first name within the design.

DIARY DATES

24th May	End of term
27th-31st May	May Half Term Holiday
3rd June	School opens
4th June	Reception visit St Thomas quiet garden
5th June	Year 2 trip—Windsor Castle
6th June	New Nursery parents meeting - 4-5pm in the Hall
10th June	New Reception parents meeting - 4-5pm in the Hall
13th June	Year 3 trip - Reading Museum
14th June	9-9:30am - Reception Class Assembly—parents invited
18th June	Year 4 trip—British Museum
19th June	Reception trip - Hounslow Urban Farm
20th June	School Talent Show - details to follow
24-28th June	Wellbeing week
28th June	9:30-12:00 - KS1/KS2 Sports day—parents invited
25th June	EYFS Sports day - 9:30 - 11:00am Year 1 trip - Eton College
27th June	Summer Fair - 2-3:30pm
28th June	KS1/KS2 Sports Day
2-5th July	Year 5/6—Adventure Week
2nd July	Whole School Transition Day