

Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

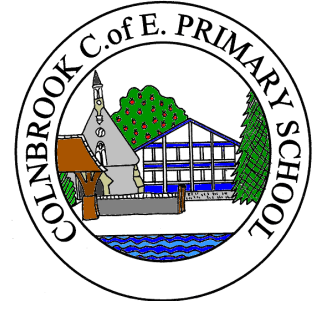
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Newsletter

25th October 2024

Be strong and courageous Joshua 1:9

Our focus value is: **Aspiration**

A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of a very busy half term! This week we celebrated with Harvest discos for each year group. Huge thanks goes to the PTA for organising these events. Year 6 took a trip to the Imperial War Museum; you can read more about their visit in this week's newsletter.

After half term, we will be sending out information about booking parents' evening appointments. We will be using an online booking system this year, which should make the process much simpler. Dates for parents' evenings are over the page.

We will also be holding a book fair after half term. Mrs Bharj has launched a competition to design a book cover, with prizes available, including vouchers to spend at the fair. Flyers with details were sent home this week and details are overleaf.

I hope you have a wonderful half term break. We are back at school on **Monday 4th November**.

Mr T. Brunson
Headteacher

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Worship Section

Yesterday we held our annual Harvest Service at St Thomas' Church. Harvest is a time to give thanks for the farmers and producers who grow and create our food, as well as to God for his creation. In collective worship this week we thought about how lucky we are, and how we should care for those who are not as fortunate as ourselves, as the Bible verse from Isaiah tells us to.

Think at home: How can you show compassion this half term?

Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon.
Isaiah 58:10

Attendance

Year 2	100%
Year 3	95.26%
Reception	94.58%
Year 6	94.17%
Nursery AM	93.42%
Year 1	93.18%
Nursery PM	93.18%
Year 4	92.50%
Year 5	92.50%

Church Section

Sunday 27th October - We hope you can come to St Thomas' Church for the service at 11am on Sunday. Everyone is always welcome at the service and refreshments are served afterwards.

After School Snacks

We know that children may need a snack after school, and we have noticed that some parents give children snacks on the playground at dismissal times. However, this is causing a problem with litter.

We encourage healthy snacks, such as fruit, after school rather than sugary sweets.

If you are giving your child a snack on the playground, please ensure that your child puts all rubbish in one of the many bins on the playground or at the front of school. Thank you.



Star of the Week



Reception - Mehar

Year 1 - Hargun

Year 2 - Suhkmeen

Year 3 - Aaron W

Year 4 - Praisyy

Year 5 - Rakin

Year 6 - Ahshita

Well done to all the children that were awarded certificates this week. Keep up the good work!

Look at what we have been up to



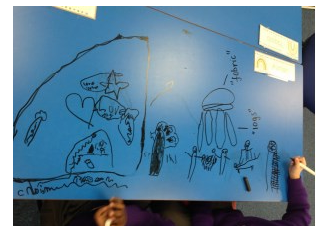
This week in Discovery class we have been investigating all things Autumn! What happens to our outside environment? How do our animals survive? And what do our senses tell us about these changes? We have really enjoyed lots of Autumn stories and activities in our Literacy lessons.



This week the children in Early Years enjoyed a road safety workshop where the children learned how to be safe whilst crossing the road. They were taught the 5 most important things to remember: Stop, Look, Listen, Think and Hold Hands. Ask your child and see if they can remember the catchy song to go with it!



Year 1 have been designing their own play den, making equipment lists and coming up with their own success criteria. They can't wait to build them next!



On Tuesday Year 2 visited Eton College to explore one of the museums. They did a workshop on adaptation and habitats and enjoyed working in groups on related activities which included observing a range of animal



In Year 3, the children have really been enjoying their Music lessons with Mrs Stoker, practising different sounds on their recorders.



Year 4 have been learning about the structure of teeth and how to keep our teeth healthy. We wrote some questions we would like a dental health professional to answer about cavities, plaque, fillings and much more.



Year 5 enjoyed acting out some safety scenes regarding road safety. They learnt about what they should do near a road and what they shouldn't do. For example: using headphones, using phones, playing with a football.



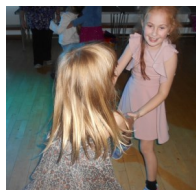
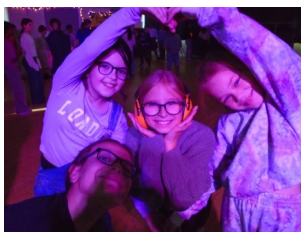
Year 6 visit the Imperial War Museum

Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed the trip to London and their visit to the Imperial War Museum this week. They got to see artefacts, tanks, planes, shelters and even got to experience what it was like inside a trench! Year 6 asked thoughtful questions to a veteran and someone who was five years old when World War 2 started. Overall, an insightful trip that they can take back to the classroom when we start learning about World War 2.



PTA Harvest Disco

The Hall was full of lots of happy faces this week as the children enjoyed the Harvest Disco organised by our PTA. Thank you for everyone that was involved in organising; the children had a blast! Our PTA have lots planned in the coming months so keep an eye out for more details which will follow.



DIARY DATES

28th October-1st November	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
4th November	First day back—whole school
6th November	Class photos—full uniform
11-15th November	Book Fair - more details to follow
11th November	Remembrance Day - minute silence at 11:00am
13th and 14th November	Parents' Evenings - details to follow
15th November	Children In Need - details to follow
18th - 22nd November	Wellbeing Week
22nd November	Year 5 Class Assembly - parents invited
27th November	Year 3 to 6 Windsor Theatre trip Early Years, Year 1 and 2 - Image Theatre in school
29th November	Flu vaccinations— opportunity for anyone who missed the last date.

Harvest Church Service

During Harvest Service yesterday afternoon, the children enjoyed singing the Harvest songs they have been practising this term. Children in Years 1 to Year 6 took part in this special service, where they read Harvest reflections, read readings from the Bible and shared prayers that they had written. Our thanks goes to all the parents and carers who attended yesterday, and to Reverend Patrick who lead the service at St Thomas' Church.



Diwali Fun Day

at Windsor Castle Learning Centre

Tuesday 29 October 2024
10:00am – 2:00pm



Join us from 10:00am – 2:00pm on **Tuesday 29 October** for a fun-packed day celebrating **Diwali** at Windsor Castle Learning Centre!

Solve the clues in our Diwali-themed **treasure hunt** around Pug Yard...



Get crafty and make a Diwali card, rangoli pattern or even a colourful diya in our craft area...

... and finish off your visit with **delicious celebratory meal**, kindly provided by Mango Lounge Windsor!



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CAN YOU DESIGN A BOOK COVER?

Your task is to design your own front cover and create your own blurb for one of your favourite books.

Rules:

- You must design it on your own. Be creative, make it unique and eye-catching!
- You may use different forms of media, for example: drawing, painting, cutting and sticking different materials.
- It must include a title of a book you have read and know well.
- Don't give away the whole story in the blurb!

£5 book fair voucher to a winner in each year group!