

NEWSLETTER

Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School | 17th July 2026

A farewell message from Mr Brunson

As I write my final letter as Headteacher, I want to thank you all for the support and trust you have shown me over the past six years. While I am excited for my next chapter working for Ofsted, it is with a heavy heart that I say goodbye to a school community that has meant so much to me.

It has been a privilege to work alongside such dedicated staff, supportive families and, most importantly, wonderful children. Together, we have achieved so much—strengthening teaching and learning, developing an ambitious curriculum and creating a school where children belong, feel safe, are valued, and inspired to succeed. I am incredibly proud of all we have accomplished and of the positive, caring culture we have built together.

As I leave, I do so with great confidence in the future of Colnbrook Primary School. The school is in a strong position, with talented staff, committed leaders and exceptional children who make us proud every day. Thank you for making my time here so memorable and rewarding.

As I said in the leavers' service yesterday, my hope is that the Colnbrook community continues to be a 'light to the world'. It has been one of the greatest privileges of my career to serve as your Headteacher, and I will always look back on my time here with immense pride and affection. Colnbrook is a wonderful and special place; be sure to take good care of it.

I also want to say how proud we are of Year 6, who we say goodbye to today. This newsletter is full of photos from this week's events and celebrations.

I hope you all have an excellent summer holiday. Enjoy!
With heartfelt thanks and very best wishes,

Mr Brunson

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

This week we marked the milestone of Year 6 finishing primary school! We are so incredibly proud of the young people they have become and we know they will go on to do brilliant things in the future.

Year 6 Prom

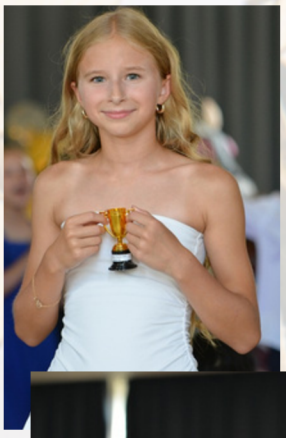
On Tuesday, we had the Year 6 prom! The children dressed up smartly and enjoyed an evening celebrating together. A huge thank you goes to the PTA for organising the event.

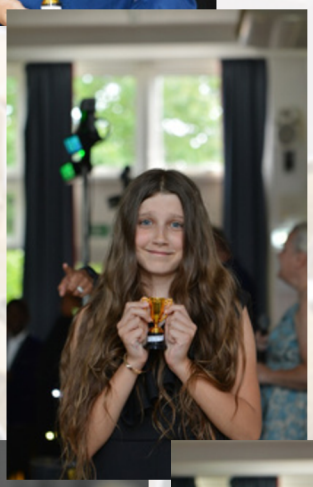


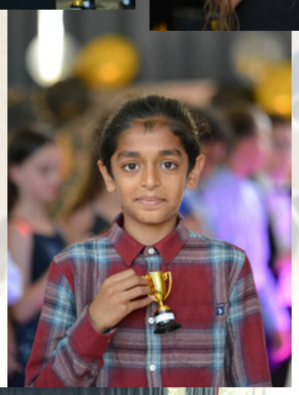


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Staff vs Year 6 Football Match

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 6 played a football match against staff. The children showed great energy, skill, and determination, while the staff relied on experience, teamwork, and a few surprising moments of pace!



Leavers' Service

On Thursday, Year 6 shared their memories of their time at Colnbrook and recieved a gift from Mr Brunson and Rev. Patrick. It was wonderful to reflect together on the children's time at school and to look to the future with optimism.





YEAR 6 LEAVERS continued









A Message from Alex (Head Boy) & Comfort (Head Girl)

Clearly, our personal goals have been achieved by consistent hard work and focus. From swimming lessons to algebra, our growth has been evident; we have all persevered through endless trails and unescapable pressure. We came out victorious in the end. A huge thank you to our Year 6 teacher, Mr Symes and our teaching assistant, Mr Hill. It has been an awesome year.

Overall, our Year 6 experience has been fantastic. We have excelled greatly in our academics over the past year, due to the tranquil learning environment. On our PGL experience, we were shocked by the cold weather, however we adapted well and the instructors and staff aided us a lot!

GOODBYE TO STAFF

Mr Thomas

We said goodbye to Mr Thomas today. He has worked very hard as our SENDCo over the past few years, helping to ensure that children with SEND get the right support. Thank you for all your hard work and we wish him every future success.

Mr Symes

Mr Symes left today after teaching our Year 6 children for just over a year. Mr Symes has worked hard teaching Year 6 and will be missed by everyone. We wish him all the very best for the future.

Mr Brunson

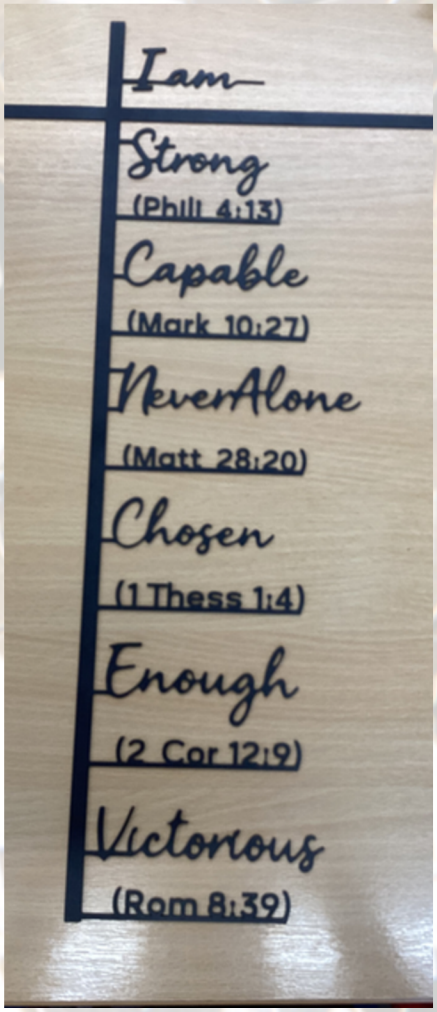
The children sang Mr Brunson a song in this morning's collective worship to say goodbye. They also presented him with a book of art work and memories, created by every child in the school, as well as the staff.

The children also presented Mr Brunson with a eucalyptus tree that has been planted in the woodland walk to remember his contribution to the school.

In return, Mr Brunson presented the school with two pieces of art work which will be displayed around the school, reminding us all to be a 'light to the world'.







END OF TERM AWARDS

Congratulations to all our award winners who were given their trophies today!

Writer of the Term
1st place: **Adam** (Year 6)
2nd place: **Reggie** (Reception)
3rd place: **Aira** (Nursery)

Mathematician of the Term
1st place: **Ali** (Year 6)
2nd place: **Fabian** (Year 4)
3rd place: **Aaliyah** (Year 5)

Reader of the Term
1st place: **Cailynn** (Year 1)
2nd place: **Moiz** (Year 2)
3rd place: **Jesaiah** (Reception)

Oracy Champion of the Term
1st place: **Jonny** (Year 2)
2nd place: **Ayla** (Year 3)
3rd place: **Kaizen** (Reception)

Values Award
Marcel (Reception)

Star of the Term
Name (Year)

Star of the Year
Name (Year)





We also announced Year 6 roles for next year.

Head Boy: Zubayr
Head Girl: Praisy

Rowling House Captains
Chisara and Robert

Attenborough House Captains
Alice and Oliver

Parks House Captains
Rovena and Iustin

Van Gogh House Captains
Muna and Ishaan



IMPORTANT DATES

School reopens to children in Years 1 to 6 on **Thursday 3rd September** 2026.

New Reception and Nursery children have individual start dates.

Term dates for next academic year (2026-27) are available to view on our website. Please check these dates before booking holidays.

SEPTEMBER

3rd September - School opens

23rd September - Flu vaccinations

24th September - New Beginnings Service - St Thomas' Church

OCTOBER

8th October - Individual photographs

26 - 30th October - Half term



READ to the BEAT

Summer reading challenge 2026
slough music service workshops

Read to the Beat, brings together the joy of reading and the power of music to inspire the next generation.

Saturday 4th July: Djembe Drumming@ Cippenham Library
1.30-2.30pm

Thursday 6th August: Djembe Drumming
11am @ Britwell Library
2pm @ The Curve

Thursday 20th August: Samba Drumming
11am @Britwell Library
2pm @ The Curve

Saturday 19th September: Certificates and celebration event
@ The Curve
@ Cippenham Library
Time: **TBC**

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