

NEWSLETTER

Colnbrook CofE Primary School | 18th September 2026

A Message from this week's Editor: Mrs Broderick

It has been wonderful to welcome all of our children back to school, with our Nursery and Reception children now joining us full time. They have settled in beautifully and are already becoming an important and valued part of our school community. Across the rest of the school, children have been busy getting stuck into their learning and establishing routines for the new school year. Our House Captains are also thoroughly enjoying their new roles and have already developed a real sense of responsibility, particularly through helping to lead and support games on the playground at lunchtime.



Collective Worship:

This week we have been looking at The Zones of Regulation and how to identify and support our emotions. We practised breathing techniques and discussed different methods to support us when we are in the red zone, feeling angry and cross.



Star of the week

Reception - Aria
Year 1 - Carter
Year 2 - Daria
Year 3- Francesca
Year 4 - Ayaan
Year 5 - Charlie
Year 6 - Amine

Top Attendance this week

1st Year 5 - 98.21%
2nd - Year 4 - 97.50%
3rd - Year - 97.41%

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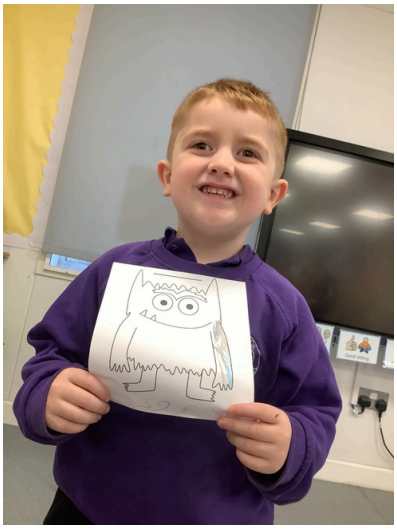


Discovery Class

This week Discovery class have been looking at our feelings and emotions like the colour monster in our story The Colour Monster goes to School. We matched each colour monster to a feeling in our jars and used our faces to show different emotions. In maths we made monsters and counted how many of each body part our monster had, we also ordered monsters by size.







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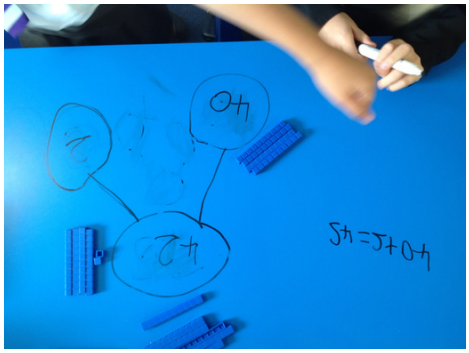
This week, the children have been learning all about The Colour Monster and exploring different feelings and emotions. Through stories, discussions, songs and creative activities, we have been talking about how our emotions can sometimes feel mixed up and how different colours can help us recognise and express how we are feeling. The children have enjoyed identifying emotions such as happiness, sadness, anger, fear and calmness, while learning that all feelings are okay and that it is important to talk about them.

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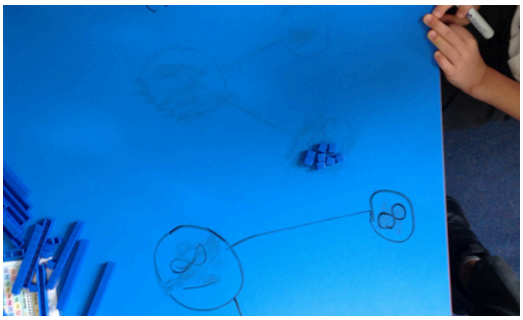
Year 1 have been developing their balancing skills through fun games and challenges. They have been working together as a team, encouraging one another and showing great cooperation outdoors.





Year 2

Year 2 finished a week of recapping old Maths lessons and slowly started easing into our new learning on our tables. We've used our concrete resources to make sure that our understanding is consolidated



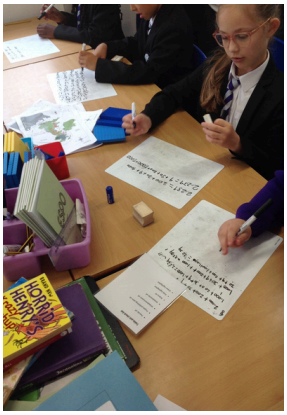


Year 3

Our Topic in Year 3 is the Stone Age and this week we have been learning about Stonehenge. A group of us made a model of Stonehenge using Lego. We all did a factfile to show what we had learnt.



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Year 4

This week Year 4 have been exploring different ways to partition numbers to 10,000. The children enjoyed using the dienes to help them.



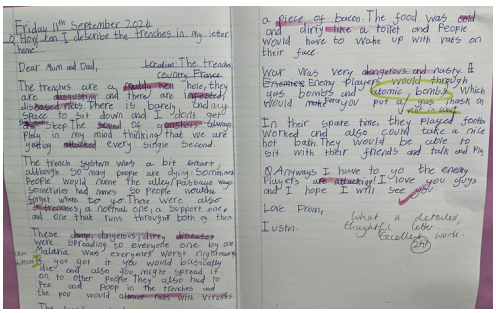
Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed their first Ukelele lesson this week. Mrs Stoker encouraged them to learn some chords: A, C and E. They learnt to play in unison with another by listening to the rhythm. The children loved it. When asked for feedback, they all gave a thumbs up and remembered their year 3 recorder lesson with fondness as they build upon that knowledge.



Year 6

Year 6 have been working hard to develop their understanding of place value and are still enjoying studying the poem The Highwayman. They have looked at the features of poems, such as metaphors and alliteration and considered how a character might feel. They also considered how a World War I soldier might have felt living in the trenches and they wrote a letter home imagining they were one of those soldiers.





IN OTHER NEWS

Flu Vaccinations

An email has been sent to all parents reminding them that Flu Vaccinations will be taking place on Wednesday 23rd September 2026, along with an information leaflet. The deadline for consent is 22nd September 2026.

School Photos



Thursday 8th October 2026 - Individual and Siblings

School Council



Congratulations to the following pupils who have taken on the role of School Councillor. They were presented with their badges during our Celebration this morning:

Year 1 - Manushi & Anthony
Year 2 - Teddy-Joe & Nermin
Year 3 - Francesca & Ayman
Year 4 - Nadal & Shanzazy
Year 5 - Eesa & Zawadi
Year 6 - Arianna, Jennifer & Ryan



IN OTHER NEWS

Free School Meals

The new eligibility criteria for free school meals came in to affect from the 1st September 2026.

You will be able to claim free school meals for your child if you receive one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (Regardless of income)
- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

To apply for your child to receive free school meals, you must complete the form via the link below. If you require support with completing the form, please visit the school reception where we will be able to help you.

Free School Meals Application Form



www.slough.gov.uk
Slough Borough Council

Starting infant, junior & primary school in Slough 2027/28

Apply online at www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions



It is important that you take time to read this information which outlines the application process for a reception school place

Dear Parent/Carer,

If your child was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, and you live in Slough, you can now apply for a reception school place in an infant or primary school for September 2027. The Citizen Portal on the council website is now open to receive applications. There are clear and simple prompts to guide you through making your application.

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, lives in Slough and currently attends an infant school, they will need to transfer to Year 3 in a junior school.

You will also find the ***Starting infant, junior and primary school booklet*** on the council website. The booklet contains a wealth of information to help you choose the right schools, make an application and understand how the application process works. It provides a profile of all of primary schools alongside information about admission arrangements.

Who should apply?

Ifyou have achild whowas born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, you must apply for a school place for September 2027.

When do I need to apply?

You can apply anytime from 1 September 2026. **To receive an offer of a school place on national offer day, you must submit an application by 15 January 2027.**

Please note: In order to maximise your chances of being offered one of your preferred schools

- YouMUSTsubmitanapplication with anyrequired documents/supplementary forms on time.
- Your child MUST meet the admissions criteria of the school to be offered a place.

and there is

- NO automatic transfer from a nursery to into a school.
- NO automatic offer of a sibling place without making an application.

Apply online at www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions Closing date to apply 15 January 2027

What happens if I miss the closing date?

Forthe avoidance of doubt, all applications submitted and received after the closing date (15 January 2027) will be deemed as late applications. They will be considered after those that are received on time and after the first round of offers have been made.

How do I apply?

Ifyou livein Slough you MUST apply through Slough Borough Council. The easiest way to apply is online.

Go to www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions and follow the instructions on the screen.

If you do not have internet access at home you can still apply online at your local library or at the council offices.

Who can make the application?

Applicationsmustbemade byaparent orcarer who holds legal parental responsibility for a child. Only one application should be made per child.

Contact the Admissions Team

Ifyou would like more information about the school admissions process or the admission arrangements, please read the 'Starting infant, junior or primary school' booklet
Or visit: www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions

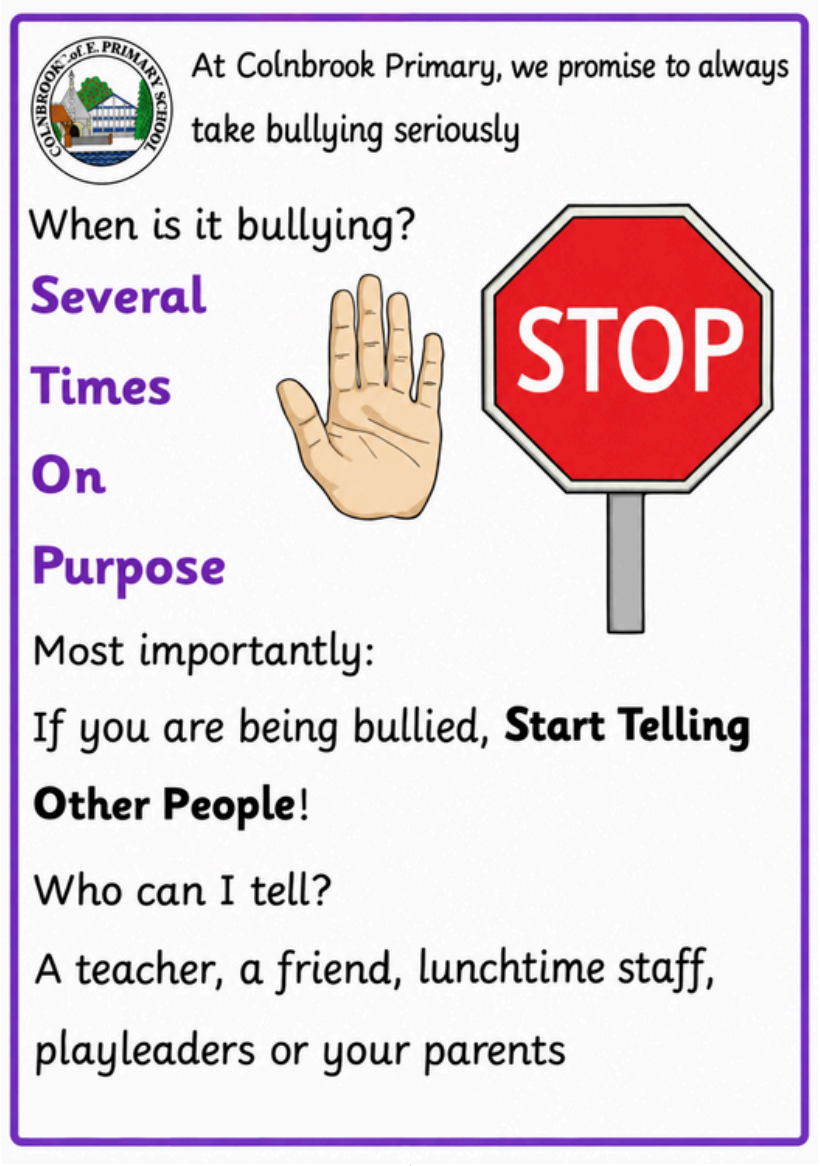
Email: _admissions.helpline@slough.gov.uk

Contact Centre:
Telephone: 01753 475111 (Monday to Friday)
Please note that the School Admissions lines open as and when needed around admissions time.

Best wishes,

Sabi Hothi
Head of Education Services
Slough Borough Council
Observatory House, 25 Windsor Road, Slough SL1 2EL

We have started to prepare pupils for out Anti-Bullying Week in November to help them understand what bullying is, recognise how it can affect others, and develop positive strategies for responding to unkind behaviour. This poster was shared during our meet the SLT meeting last week with parents to clarify what bullying is.



Difference between Allergies and Intolerance

As we are receiving updates on pupil's medical needs, we thought it would be helpful to detail the difference between an allergy and intolerance:

A food allergy is when your body, more specifically your immune system, overreacts to certain foods. Some food allergies are mild for people – meaning symptoms can be more manageable and less severe. But for others, allergic reactions can be very serious and sometimes life-threatening.

A food intolerance is when a person finds a certain food or ingredient difficult to digest. Food intolerances are not usually serious and unlike an allergy, is not life-threatening. However, they do cause symptoms and you can feel unwell if you eat the food you're intolerant to.

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NURSERY PLACES

for

September 2026 & January 2027

Are you looking for a nursery place for your 3 year old? Come and join our Early Years setting and give your child the best start to their education!

If you would like to know more, or come to look around, call the school office on 01753 683661 or email mail@colnbrookprimary.com

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BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE IN SLOUGH

COLNBROOK
COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Saturday 26th September
12:00 - 14:00

We're inviting all community groups, businesses, and residents of Colnbrook with Poyle Parish Council to join a litter pick event! Get outdoors, get active and help us litter pick our local area.

St. Thomas's Church, Vicarage Way, SL3 0JY

- Wear closed footwear
- Bring your own gloves
- All equipment and refreshments will be provided.



Any queries?
Contact cllr Puja Bedi
Puja.Bedi@slough.gov.uk

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MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



Friday 25th Sept
10am - 12noon

St Thomas' Church
Vicarage Way, Colnbrook

Everybody Welcome



IMPORTANT DATES

Secondary School Open Evenings

Slough & Eton - 22/09/26 - 4.30-6.30pm
Lynch Hill EA - 23/09/26 - 6.00-8.00pm
Langley Academy - 30/09/26 - 4.00-7.30pm
Wexham - 01/10/26 - 5.30-7.00pm
Baylis Court - 06/10/26 - 4.00-5.45pm
Eden Girls - 07/10/26 - 6.00-8.00pm
Grove Academy - 08/10/26 - 4.30-5.30pm

Week 4

23 September - Flu Vaccinations

24th September - 2.15-3.00pm New Beginnings Service at St Thomas Church - parents invited

Week 6

8 October - Individual & Siblings Photos

Week 7

13 October - 3.15-4.00pm - Harvest Disco (Nursery-Year 3)
14 October - Year 4 Chertsey Museum trip
14 October - 3.15-4.00pm - Harvest Disco (Year 4-Year 6)
16 October - Year 6 Imperial War Museum

Week 8

22 October - Harvest Church Service