



The Colleton Primary School

Summer Term Newsletter 4 – Wednesday 21st July 2021

Dear Families,

What an extremely sunny end to the term we have had! We are delighted to have been able to go ahead with many of our summer term activities. The children got a great sense of enjoyment from their team swimming galas and sports events and it was wonderful to celebrate the results together yesterday during an outdoor assembly.

The children enjoyed the 'swippy swappy' session yesterday meeting their new registration group and finding out how learning will take place in September. We are so looking forward to being able to resume mixing of different combinations of groups for learning. It will also be fantastic for the children to be able to move more freely around school and socialize together at break and lunchtimes.

Farewell to Year 6!

Today marks the end of their Colleton journey for our fantastic year 6 children! We are incredibly proud of what they have accomplished and how much they have grown particularly given the unusual circumstances of the last year. Like the rest of the school, they have shown great resilience and independence during remote learning and since their return in March. Their aspiration and maturity in their approach to learning has helped them to achieve great results which we are sure will stand them in great stead for their time at secondary school. We wish them well in their respective secondary schools and look forward to hearing about their many successes in the future. Special thanks to Flynn, Jake, Isabel and Eleni for representing us so well on Radio Berkshire this morning.

Restrictive Measures for September

Now that restrictions have been lifted nationally, we have been given further government guidance about operational procedures for schools from September. As we have learnt this year, arrangements are always things that are subject to change! If

there are any local outbreaks or case rates rise significantly, I will provide a further update before we return in September but currently the following is planned:

- Timings for start and end of day the school day will be the same for all children. All children should be in school for registration by 8.50am latest and pick will be at 3.15pm
- The one-way system will remain in place as we have found this helps movement around the school site
- Children will continue to enter school through registration group doors
- Bubbles will no longer be needed; therefore we look forward to reconnecting as a whole school community. As such, we are planning for opportunities for the children to mix across teams for learning and some whole school events where different year groups will be able to work together. More details to follow in the autumn term
- A continued emphasis on good hand hygiene and cleaning within school - regular handwashing will still take place throughout the day
- All teaching and communal areas will be well ventilated
- Communication with the office should be via email or telephone in the first instance. Please check the website for any general information before doing so
- Staff will continue to take optional twice weekly LFD tests before return to school and until at least the end of September
- Anyone with Covid 19 symptoms must not come to school. If you have symptoms, you must book a PCR test and your household should isolate until you have a result of this test. Please ensure you let the office know if this is your reason for absence
- Track and Trace will no longer be managed by the school but please continue to let us know if a member of your household tests positive
- Remote learning will continue to be provided for those children that need to isolate but are well enough to access learning

See attached a letter from Wokingham Borough Council which schools have been asked to share with their communities.

Medicines / Inhalers

If you child has any inhalers / Epipens / medicines in school please ensure they are taken home at the end of today. Any medication required from September should be brought back on the first day of term in a named clear pack with a completed 'permission to administer medication' form (available from our website) enclosed.

Thank you.

Twitter and Instagram

Lots of photos are posted on our Twitter [@theColleton](#) and Instagram [@colletontwyford](#) so please ensure you subscribe.

Community Page

On the community page of our website you will find lots of ideas and activities for children over the summer holidays -

<https://www.colleton.wokingham.sch.uk/newsletters-calendar/community-news/>

Thank you

On behalf of all staff, I would like to thank you for the generosity shown including your positive feedback and kind gifts. They are very much appreciated. I hope you have an enjoyable and restful summer and look forward to welcoming the children back on Thursday 2nd September 2021.

Michelle Law
Headteacher

Young Christian's Climate Relay to COP26: Your chance to meet and join with the walkers!



The Young Christian Climate Network (YCCN), a community of 18-30 year olds from across the UK, are organising a 750-mile Relay to COP26 this summer. The walk aims to raise awareness of COP26 and to spark conversations around climate change and how we can care better for our planet and its people. The Relay began at the G7 summit in Cornwall in June, will end in Glasgow in November, and is passing through Twyford on the way!

On the **1st of August** the 14.5 mile hike from Twyford to Windsor will start off with a celebration before the Family Service at St Mary's Church. Families are invited to join us at 10:00 outside St Mary's to either see the walkers off or set out with them on all or part of the route! Those not walking are welcome to stay for the family service where we will celebrate the beauty of God's creation.

The relay is open to absolutely anyone - young or old, faith or no faith! There is also an option to join us on **Saturday 31st** as we walk the 7.5 miles from Reading to Twyford, including joining a group walking the last mile into Twyford. To find out more contact Bethany Cook (bethany.cello.cook@gmail.com/07531698565) or head to <https://www.yccn.uk>

