



Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

8th May 2026

Summer Term



Happy Friday!

In French in year 3/4 this week we have been learning about the different weather. So far this week we have been able to describe the weather in so many ways, from boiling to freezing (luckily no snow but you never know!) However, this means that we still have so many jumpers, unnamed and unclaimed in the lost property. **Please, please name your children's clothes!**

The children have had a lovely day today celebrating David Attenborough turning 100! We took part in a live assembly with over 6000 schools and each class created some lovely art, writing and ICT projects to celebrate his life and achievements.

Next week is SATs week for our Year 6s. They have worked tirelessly in the last few weeks to prepare for these and I know that they will approach them with a positive attitude to do their best and feel proud of themselves at the end of the week. Please, over the weekend, make sure your child has lots of rest, opportunities to relax and not overdo it. They need to be in school nice and early having had a good night of sleep and lots of food that fuels them for the day. Thank you for all of your help in keeping them calm and supporting us to help the children do their very best.

After SATS we have the FUN week! Maypole and Country Dancing on the Church Green on the final Thursday and then 'Come to School in a Crazy Way Day' on the last day of term. This is always such a great laugh - so get your thinking caps on and think about how you will

come to school that day! (For our new families in the past we have had a range of ways; tractor, horse, skip lorry, quad bike, backwards, wheelbarrow, wheelie bin, camper van, skipping, hopping, three-legged...the list is endless!)

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Mills

Celebration Award Winners



Elm: Jack & Louise for Commitment

Oak: Jade & Connor for Craftsmanship

Maple: Tom & Primrose

Ash: Toby for Confidence, Sky for Collaboration, Aden for Commitment & Eiths for Commitment & Craftsmanship

Willow: Wandi for Craftsmanship & Connor for Confidence

Beech: Harris for Commitment & Mia for Collaboration

Pride of Colyton: Max & Brendon

Important Dates



Monday 11th May - Friday 14th May

KS2 Testing Week (SATs)

Monday 18th May - Friday 22nd May

Walk to School Week – Culminating in Come to School in a Crazy Way (Friday)

Thursday 21st May

Maypole Dancing & Cream Tea (Church Lawn)

Friday 22nd May

Flourish Friday

Monday 25th May

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 26th May - Friday 29th May

HALF Term

Monday 1st June

INSET Day

Tuesday 2nd June

First Day Back

This Week's Words



Big Question: How does David Attenborough inspire people through storytelling?



- **ARBOR:**

From September onwards we will be using Arbor to order meals and any Trips.

Can we ask parents that have outstanding debts on parent pay that these are paid off as soon as possible.

Current trips on Parent Pay are unaffected currently so please continue to make instalments on the residentials.

Clubs will be live on Arbor from 18.00 on 02/04/2026

- **School Dinners:**

Booked on Parent Pay

These need to be booked by **Sunday** for the following week you can book all they way up to the end of term if you wish too. The cost of these is £2.70 per meal for paying parents.

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The remaining balance is now on Parent Pay.

Year 4 Escot

This trip is now available on Parent Pay

Swimming Year 4 & 6

Please give consent and pay on parent pay

Year 3 & 5 Fossil Festival

Please give consent and pay on parent pay.

Year 6 Canoeing

Please pay and give consent on Parent Pay

- **Free School Meals:**

Find out if your child is eligible for Free School Meals! Apply through the [Devon Citizens Portal](#). This is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision. Alternatively, call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

- **Attendance:**

If you are unsure if your child should be in school then visit this website [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#) or check the school website for information [School Attendance | Colyton Primary Academy](#) This also covers holiday during term time.

Remember, your child must be on time for school - this means arriving **BEFORE** 8.50am not at this time. Lots of children are having late marks. Also, if you take a holiday during term time but tell the school that your child is ill then we can and will still issue a fine.

Children are very honest and they often tell us when you have been away. If we have reason to believe that you are on a holiday then our policy now states that we must follow the protocol for fining.

- **Nut & Sesame Free School:**

A reminder we are a nut free school, this includes Tree Nuts, Peanuts and Sesame.

When bringing a packed lunch or snacks into school please ensure there is no food foods containing nuts or sesame such as Nutella or other hazelnut spread, Pesto, Humus, and Peanut Butter

Thank you for your understanding.

Let's Talk Safer Families initiative

Let's Talk Safer Families initiative, aims to help parents and carers better understand the risks young people may face within their communities and how they can support them.

www.letstalksaferfamilies.org

The website includes a series of free live online sessions taking place over the coming weeks:

- Tuesday 12th May at 7pm – Community Risks - [Click here to book](#)
- Tuesday 19th May at 7pm – Family life - [Click here to book](#)

Upcoming Events and Information



WHO WILL BE THE NEXT

COLYTON CARNiVal

Royalty

IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED
PLEASE GET IN
TOUCH

CONTACT LOUISE-
LRPIGOTT1@YAHOO.
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Children's Sculpture Workshop

With Peter Margerum

Colyton Library | 26 May | 2 - 4.30pm

£3 members | £5 non-members

Join us for a creative and eco-friendly art activity!

Participants will craft 2D and 3D artworks using recycled and reclaimed materials like plastic, wood, metal, household objects, and beach waste. Add hand-operated moving parts and sound features for an interactive touch.



Suitable for ages 4 - 11
booking is required please scan the QR code
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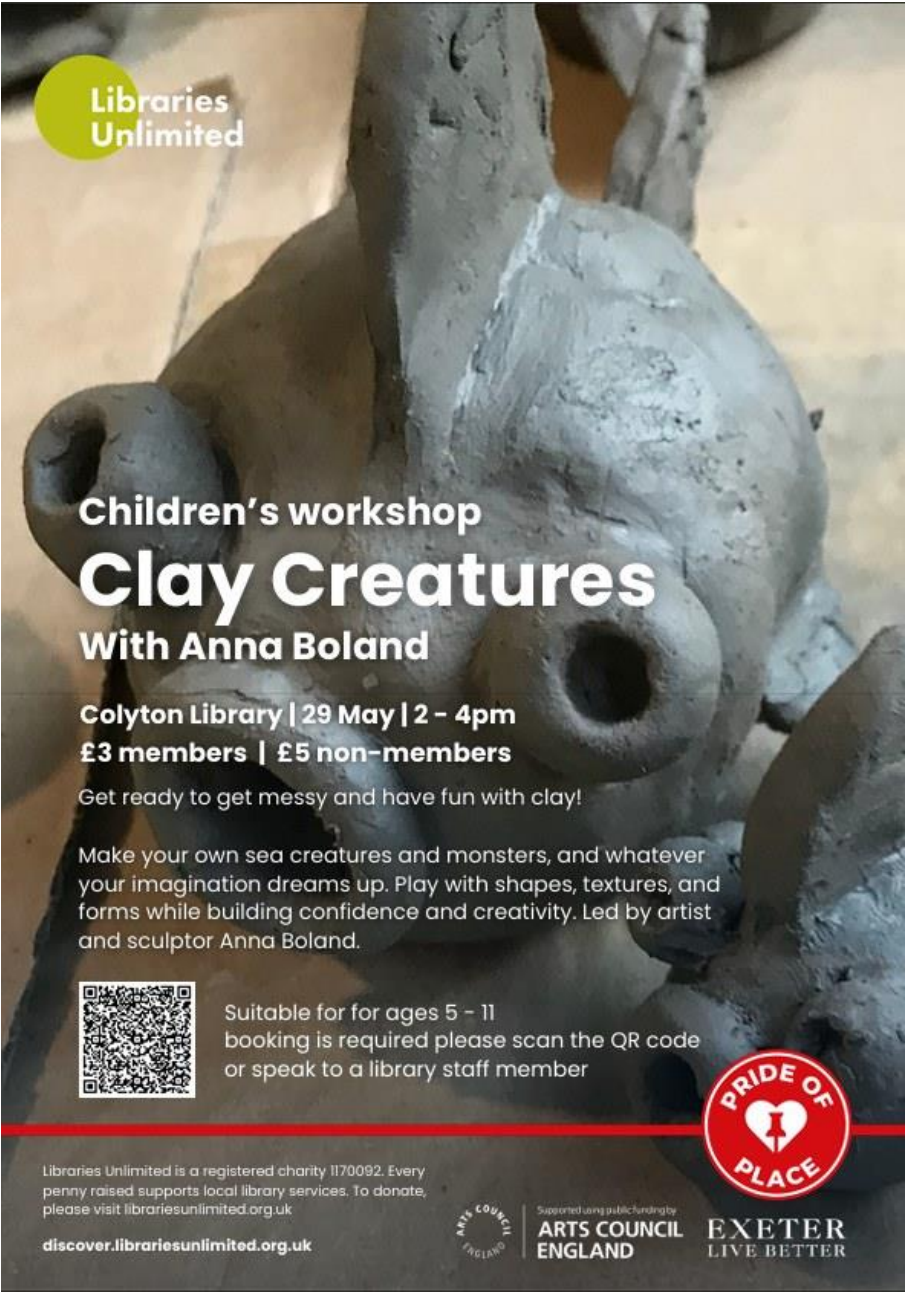
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Children's workshop
Clay Creatures
With Anna Boland

Colyton Library | 29 May | 2 - 4pm
£3 members | £5 non-members

Get ready to get messy and have fun with clay!

Make your own sea creatures and monsters, and whatever your imagination dreams up. Play with shapes, textures, and forms while building confidence and creativity. Led by artist and sculptor Anna Boland.



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18TH JULY – 26TH JULY 2026

HOST FAMILIES WANTED

PAYMENT OF **£250**
PER STUDENT TO THE
HOST FAMILY

SEATON SUMMER SCHOOL



Host Family Responsibilities

- » Provide Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
- » Chatting with student(s) to help their understanding of English (no German required)
- » Spending time with the Student(s) in our beautiful area



CONTACT ANDREW OR EMMA:

seatonsummerschool@gmail.com
07395 413363



Maypole Dancing and Refreshments



Join us for an afternoon of dancing by the children from Colyton Primary Academy and refreshments.

Thursday may 21st from 1.00pm on the Church Green. Dancing from 1.30pm





Family Hub Advice &
Guidance Line, 0800
5385458

Mon-Fri 10am—4pm

‘Connecting Moments’- Digital SEND Support for Families

Are you a parent or carer of a child with **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)**?

Join us for **Connecting Moments** – a friendly online space designed just for you.

What’s it all about?

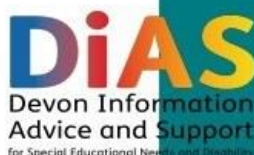
- **Connect with other families** in a small, welcoming group
- **Share experiences and ideas**
- **Build a peer support network**

Please join us on the **27th January at 12noon**, for a **1 hour session**—to book a space please fill in the form using the QR code below, places are limited and the session will be run via Teams.



The Ambassador Volunteer Programme

Supporting Families with SEND



Little Ninjas 3-7 Years



Juniors 7-13 Years



Adults 13+ Years



Little Ninjas

Our Little Ninjas Kickboxing program is more than just a class; it's a dynamic adventure for children aged 3 to 7.

We blend professional instruction with exhilarating, age-appropriate activities to cultivate not just physical prowess, but also vital life skills. Our mission is to empower your child, building a robust foundation for their confidence, discipline, and overall well-being.

THE KEY BENEFITS:

- Enhanced Motor Skills
- Boosted Confidence & Self-Esteem
- Cultivated Discipline & Respect
- Foundational Self-Defence
- Positive Energy Outlet
- Sharpened Focus & Concentration
- Promotes Physical Fitness
- Develops Social Skills
- Fosters Problem Solving
- Fosters Resilience & Perseverance
- Stranger danger
- Emotional Regulation
- Develops Goal-Setting Habits
- Provides a Structured & Safe Environment
- Drug awareness
- Anti bullying

Juniors

Is your child ready for an activity that's exciting, challenging, and builds lifelong skills? Our Junior Kickboxing program for ages 7-13 is specifically designed to provide a dynamic environment where children thrive, both physically and mentally, while learning invaluable lessons in respect, confidence, and how to stand strong against bullying and essential life skills.

We go beyond just kicks and punches, focusing on comprehensive development that instills positive character traits and practical self-defence.

Adults

Tired of mundane workouts? Ready for a fitness journey that profoundly impacts every facet of your life? Our Adult Kickboxing program for ages 13+ offers an exhilarating, supportive, and transformative experience designed for anyone seeking to build strength, master new skills, and unlock their absolute best self.

GREAT CLASSES
FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

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THE KEY BENEFITS:

- Explosive Fitness & Energy
- Sharper Focus & Mental Resilience
- Practical Self-Defence Mastery & Awareness
- Unstoppable Confidence & Self-Belief
- Stress Mastery & Emotional Well-being
- A Thriving, Supportive Community
- Goal Achievement

Saturday 13th June 4pm

Nintendo + ILLUMINATION

**THE SUPER
MARIO
GALAXY
MOVIE**

(PG)

Tickets Adult £8. U16's £7 Family f 4 £27
Includes £1 Booking Fee



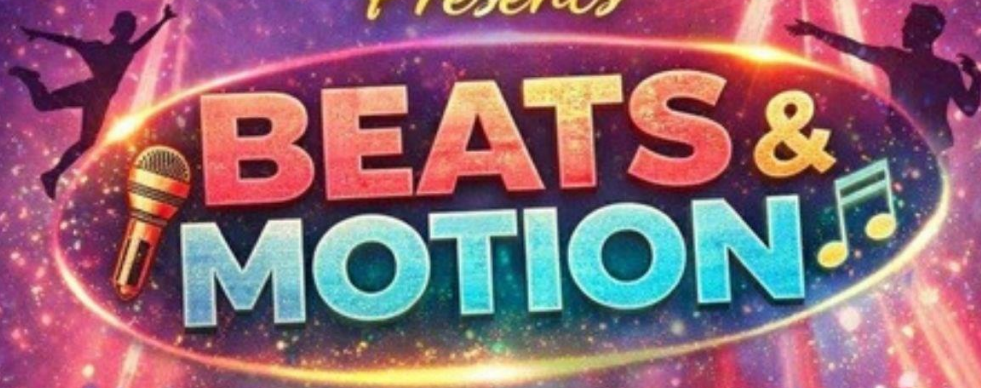
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0-19 and Young People aged 13 –19
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Mon-Fri 10am—4pm

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