



Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

24th April 2026

Summer Term



Happy first week back!

The sun is shining and it has been positively glorious out there - still a little chill in the morning so coats needed but by lunch everyone is shedding layers - that means the lost property pile is growing by the day! NAME YOUR CLOTHES to avoid losing them!! The smell test only gets us so far.

Before we recap the week and look ahead let's all say an absolutely HUGE 'Good Luck' to Miss Hutton who is running the London Marathon on Sunday. This is such a fantastic opportunity and achievement and we are all so proud of her. Don't forget you can track her on the official London Marathon app and see her cross the finish line on iPlayer by searching Kate Hutton. **Run, Miss Hutton, Run!!**

This has been a lovely week back at school with all of the children cracking on with their learning and getting right back in to the swing of it. The year 5 and 6 children made a great start to our KS2 history topic, 'Stand up and speak out!' by learning about civil right and the suffragettes - it was quite a heated lesson with the children having some amazing insights. In KS1 the children started their sculpture unit in art.

The next few weeks will be busy, especially for the year 6 children as they continue to prepare for their SATs. Don't forget attendance at this time is crucial so that the children feel very prepared and relaxed for their first experience of formal testing.

Speaking of attendance... ours is looking GREAT! Wow!! Thank you all for your continued effort to make sure that children are in school on time, being in every day and avoiding

unnecessary absences. We were 6th in the whole trust last half term. So let's really keep it up and smash those attendance targets.

Finally, remember sun cream, hats, water and probably coats for the next term! Happy weekend, Mrs Mills

Celebration Award Winners



Elm: Rosalie for Confidence, Ben for Commitment, Clemmie for Craftsmanship

Oak: Sophie & Wilkie for Commitment

Maple: The Whole Class

Ash: Lloyd for Commitment & Mazie for Confidence

Willow: Phillipa for Commitment, Riley for Confidence & Ruby for Commitment

Beech: Jacob for Collaboration & Kaydan for Commitment

Pride of Colyton: The Cookery Club.

Important Dates



Thursday 30th April

FAFA Meeting Colcombe hotel at 7.30pm

Friday 1st May

Bags 2 School - please drop donations on Thursday and Friday morning.

Monday 4th May

BANK HOLIDAY

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 weeks Words and Big Question

This Week's Words

Grasshopper

hidden

perch

whole

faint

option

Shinobi

innocent

repercussion

adorn

mature

drama



Big Question: Why do we see more insects and birds in spring?

Bonus question: If spring were a person, what would they be like?

Miss Hutton is running the London Marathon this weekend!



Miss Hutton

I'm running the London Marathon this year after being lucky enough to get a ballot place, and I've decided to take on this challenge for more than just the finish line. I'm raising money for Mind, a mental health charity that provides vital support to people when they need it most. Mental health affects all of us, whether personally or through someone we care about, and services like Mind offer life-changing help, advice, and reassurance during difficult times.

By supporting my fundraising, you're not just helping me push through 26.2 miles (42.2KM!)—you're helping ensure that no one has to face their struggles alone. Every donation, no matter how small, will make a real difference and give me even more motivation to keep going every step of the way.

Miss Hutton's Marathon Challenge

School Notices



- **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.

PGL Residential 2026

The remaining balance is now on Parent Pay.

Year 4 Escot

This trip is now available 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.

Upcoming Events and Information



Devon Air Ambulance

KILMINGTTON CRICKET CLUB 1879

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

KILMINGTTON KANTER



SATURDAY 25TH APRIL
6PM

2026



an evening street food market looking out to sea
1st Friday of the month 4-9pm

1 May | 5 June | 3 July
7 August | 4 September

BEER JUBILEE, SW COAST PATH
///RELAX HUSBAND HANDOVER
WWW.EATSBOUTIQUE.CO.UK

WHO WILL BE THE NEXT

COLYTON CARNiVal

Royalty

IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED
PLEASE GET IN
TOUCH

CONTACT LOUISE-
LRPIGOTT1@YAHOO.
CO.UK



KILMINGTON KANter 2026

COMMUNITY FUN RUN FOR ALL AGES

**APRIL 25TH MAIN RACE
6.15PM**

KILMINGTON CRICKET CLUB, EX13 7RF

7 MILE | **4k** (OVER 11s) | **1k** UNDER 11s
(OVER 17s)

ENTRIES FOR 7 MILE & 4K ONLINE @
www.sientries.co.uk

**SPECTATORS
WELCOME**

**REFRESHMENTS
AVAILABLE**



MORE INFORMATION:
07809 505499



**AXE
VALLEY
RUNNERS**

**DEVON AIR
AMBULANCE**



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

DiAS
Devon Information
Advice and Support
for Special Educational Needs and Disability



**BEST
START
IN LIFE**



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

DARCH MARTIAL ARTS
CALL: 07976 268 155

www.darchmartialarts.co.uk

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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



FREE
Family Advice
& Guidance

**For Parents/Carers of children aged
0-19 and Young People aged 13 –19
(25 with SEND or Care Leaver)**

Single Session Appointments available
in person, via phone or online

CALL:

Advice & Guidance Line

0800 5385458

Mon-Fri 10am—4pm

SCAN



Request for Contact



INTRODUCING CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

You scan we donate CDs



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SCHOOLS



Parentland



Selected items. Minimum spend £20. Exclusions apply including Asda Express & Asda Go Local. Subject to availability. UK 16+. App & Opt-in requires 0.5% of the value of a customer's eligible spend to be donated. Parents/teachers/primary schools, visit register with Parentland by 10/12/2018. Full T&Cs at [asda.com/cashpotforschools](https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools). Rewards 18/12/18 at [asda.com/rewards/terms](https://www.asda.com/rewards/terms). Ends 30/11/19.