



Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

27th February 2026

Spring Term 2



Welcome back to school - we are now officially over halfway through the school year - where is time going?

It has already been a busy half term, and we are only five days in.

Founders Day and World Thinking Day

On Monday so many of the children arrived in their Rainbows, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Brownies and Guides uniforms and looked so proud. It was lovely to hear all about their different badges and what they enjoy most about being part of this global community.

Pancake Day Races!

What a super afternoon we had running up and down the playground tossing our "pancakes" The children loved it and there were some comical moments with all the pancakes flying about. Thank you to everyone who came to watch and cheer the children on, they all did so well!

Congratulations to the Monmouth Team who just pipped the win.

Kings, Queens and all things Regal in KS1!

How fantastic it was to see the year 1 and 2 children dressed up in their fancy outfits on Wednesday, thank you so much to all of you for such a wonderful effort in making the children look and feel so special.

Looking ahead...

Next week there will be more dressing up to be had as it is **World Book Day on Thursday 5th March**.

Your child is invited to dress as a character from a BOOK to celebrate this day. Please can they bring a copy of their book in to share too if they have it. There is no pressure to dress up and if your child does not want to then they then must come in school uniform as this is not a non-uniform day.

On Friday we will be showcasing the work we have done towards International Women's Day on March 8th. We have been producing some art inspired by female artists and writing inspired by female writers. This will be on display in our '**pop-up**' art gallery **next Friday March 6th from 2.30pm and after school**. Please do come and have a look at our amazing work.

The following week on **Wednesday March 11th it is our Science Fair!** This will be in the school hall. Please come and help your child set up the experiment they are showcasing and then you are welcome to come back throughout the morning to see them all. It is always such an exciting time with so many wild and wonderful things. The idea is that you make a fun experiment at home that you can showcase on the day to the whole school.

Comic Relief - This is being held on Friday 19th March. We will have a non-uniform/pyjamas for a small donation day.

Auction of Promises:

FAFA have been working very hard to put together an auction of promises. This is a great opportunity for you to bid on some amazing experiences and raise money for our school. It is not too late to donate a prize - it can be something small like a free dog walk or an hour of ironing!

The link is here and it goes live on March 23rd to 29th. <https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/colytonprimaryauctionofpromises>

Get bidding!

Mrs Edwards

We have some lovely news about Mrs Edwards, she is expecting another baby in May. This is super news for her family and we are all very excited. Miss Hutton will take over Mrs Edwards class while Mrs Edwards is on maternity leave. If you have any questions then do just ask.

Grizzly

Please can you send in some donations of flap jacks and jelly babies next week ready for our Grizzly stand on Sunday March 8th. Helpers still welcome!

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Mills

Celebration Award Winners



Elm: Elena & Jackson

Oak: Ada and Arabella for Confidence

Maple: Indi for Creativity & Primrose for Commitment

Ash: Herbie for Commitment & Thea for Creativity

Willow: Ruby & Delilah for Confidence

Beech: Alisha, Florence & Willow for Creativity

Pride of Colyton: Edith & Amelie Flexer

Important Dates



Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

Friday 6th March

International Women's Day

Friday 6th March

Join Us - 9am

Friday 6th March - 15th March

National Science & Engineering Week

Friday 6th March

Pop Up art gallery from 2.30pm and after school

Monday 9th March

Bikeability

Wednesday 11th March

School Science Fair (plan an investigation to share with the school and community) In the School Hall

Friday 19th March

Non uniform day/Pyjamas for Comic relief

Monday 23rd March

FAFA Auction of Promises goes live 23rd - 29th March

This weeks Words and Big Question



Big Question: What's your favourite spring time flower

Dear parent / guardian,

We are delighted to share with you a new NHS funded service designed to support young people aged 7-12 who are experiencing worries or anxieties; **Lumi Nova**.

What is Lumi Nova?

Lumi Nova is an intergalactic adventure game to support young people to fight fears and manage worries. Whilst exploring planets, customising characters and earning treasure your child breaks their fears and worries down into manageable steps, learning life-long skills and building resilience.

Watch this short animated video to learn more: [Lumi Nova Introduction Video](#)

Who can use Lumi Nova?

Lumi Nova was created for 7 - 12 year olds (school years 3 - 7) who are having difficulties with fears, worries, or anxiety related to social situations, separation or phobias.

Lumi Nova is ideal for children who may:

- lack confidence to try new things
- seem unable to face simple everyday challenges
- find it hard to concentrate
- have problems with sleeping or eating
- have angry outbursts
- have negative thoughts about what's going to happen
- be avoiding everyday activities, eg. going to school, seeing friends
- become irritable, tearful or clingy

How do you access Lumi Nova?

Accessing Lumi Nova is quick and easy. Use the link below to register and you will receive a text message to guide you through getting started.

[Luminova.app/devon](https://luminova.app/devon)

To find out more visit luminova.app or join a [Parent Information Webinar](#).



School Notices



- **Bikeability** please can year 5 parents sign up as soon as possible, link in the letter sent home
- **ARBOR:**

We are still be using Parent Pay for Lunches and Trips.

- **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.

- **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



A vertical calendar graphic with a dark grey background and a geometric pattern. On the left, a vertical bar contains the text 'UPCOMING EVENTS' in white and teal, with the date '2026' in white. To the right, five horizontal bars represent events, each with a date and description. The dates are written in large, stylized numbers, and the months are written in a diagonal banner across the dates. The events are: FAFA MEETING (Feb 05, 7.45PM), COFFEE MORNING (Feb 06, 10-12), PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE (Feb 10, AFTER SCHOOL), GRIZZLY MARSHALLING (March 08, DONATIONS OF SATSUMAS AND JELLY BABIES NEEDED), and YEAR 3 CAKE STALL (March 19, AFTER SCHOOL). At the bottom, a white box contains text about where to find more information.

2026
UPCOMING EVENTS

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7.45PM

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10-12

FEB 10 PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE
AFTER SCHOOL

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MARCH 19 YEAR 3 CAKE STALL
AFTER SCHOOL

For more information visit
FAFA facebook and instagram pages



Colyton Primary
Academy's 2026

SCIENCE FAIR

Witness amazing discoveries on
Wednesday 11th March at the
SCHOOL Hall

DOORS OPEN FOR VIEWING:
9.00AM - 11.30AM.

PLEASE COME AND VIEW SOME OF
OUR AMAZING SCIENCE
EXPERIMENTS

PLEASE BRING ALL OF YOUR
EXPERIMENTS AND ANY
DISPLAYS YOU HAVE DONE TO
THE SCHOOL HALL FROM
8.30AM





**Colyton Primary
Academy's**

International Women's Day

**Art and Writing
Exhibition**

**Please visit our art and writing exhibition in the school
hall on Friday 6th March from 2.30pm and after school
to view our spectacular art and writing celebrating
some fantastic female artists and authors!**





THE ROYAL MINT[®]
MUSEUM

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG WRITERS!

We are asking **7-11-year-olds** to write a story about **GOLD** using no more than **500-words**. The winner will receive **a gold coin, £5,000** for their school or local library, and their **story illustrated** by an artist.

Stories can be submitted between 16 February - 17 April 2026.



www.royalmintmuseum.org.uk
storycompetition@royalmintmuseum.org.uk



SEATON ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMP

5-12 YEARS OLD

NERF GUN BATTLES, FOOTBALL, ARTS & CRAFTS, DODGEBALL, GLOW IN THE DARK SPORTS, EASTER ACTIVITIES, CRICKET, NINJA WARRIOR & MUCH MORE!!!



PRICES:

STANDARD DAY - £24

TIMES:

STANDARD- 8:30AM - 3:30PM

2026 Dates:

MONDAY 13TH APRIL
TUESDAY 14TH APRIL

SEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL
VALLEY VIEW
SEATON
EX12 2HF

BOOKING LINK - <https://www.primary-sports.co.uk/events/2026/04/13/seaton-primary-school-easter-holiday-camps-2026>

More Information: james@primary-sports.co.uk / 07415293798





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



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

 **Darch martial arts**



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

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Request for Contact



