



Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

6th February 2026

Spring Term



Happy Friday!

We have had a lovely week, mainly as it has been slightly drier!

We have a very busy week next week and in the first few weeks when we are back too so keep reading and add things to your calendar as you do! If you are anything like me then I can't remember it if I don't write it down straight away.

What a fantastic turn out for Number/Rock Star day - everyone looked absolutely AMAZING!!! Thank you for helping with such fantastic costumes. We had great fun giving out prizes for the top scoring TT Rockstars!!

Children's Mental Health week and Dress to Express day (Friday February 13th)

Next week we will be spending part of each day learning and understanding all about our mental health and celebrating how being kind to our mind is so good for us. We will be having named daily kindness champions and taking part in breathing and mindful activities to help calm our minds.

On Friday we end the week with 'Dress to Express' day where children are invited to dress how they would like to represent how they are feeling or express a part of their personality - you can go full glitter, dress in pyjamas or even come as dinosaur - the choice is yours - some may even resurrect their inner rockstar from today!

Join Us!

Wednesday is our second Join Us morning. This is a chance for you to come in and spend some time with your child in class, look at their learning and having a go yourself. This time,

as it is Children's Mental Health week, we will all be doing some lovely activities linked to this.

Founder's Day (Scouting) and World Thinking Day (Girlguiding) on Monday 23rd February 2026. This is the first day back after half-term.

We are super excited to once again support our Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts or Rainbows, Brownies and Guides to wear their uniform to school on Monday 23rd February.

This is an international celebration honour the founders of both movements, and promote shared values such as friendship, kindness, teamwork and service to others. Allowing young people to wear their uniform provides a meaningful opportunity to:

- Celebrate their commitment to positive citizenship.
- Build confidence and pride in their achievements.
- Raise awareness of youth organisations and volunteering.
- Encourage discussion about community, diversity and global friendship.

Scouting and Girlguiding play a vital role in supporting young people's personal development, and it complements the learning that takes place in school. We can't wait to see the children wearing this kit on the first day back!

International Women's Day - Friday March 6th.

After the holiday we will be having a whole week focused on female authors. This will be in order to make sure we have produced some great work linked to female authors ready for International Women's Day on March 8th.

As well as female authors we will be looking at female artists and producing some great art work around these too.

All of this work will then be on display in our pop-up gallery on Friday March 6th in the afternoon. This will be set up in the hall and you can come in during the afternoon to look at the art and writing or even come in after school with your child to look at the great display and celebration of women in our world.

Parents Evening:

These will take place in the first week back. Links to sign up will be coming out next week. Please make sure you come in and meet with your child's teachers. This so important that we talk together about how they are getting on.

Thursday March 5th - World Book Day - Dress Up!

This is a national annual event that we love to take part in. Your child is invited to come in dressed as a character from their favourite book. Please can I remind you that this is not an excuse to wear non-uniform or football kits. If your child does not want to dress up then they can just wear uniform.

Week 9th March - Bikeability for year 5 (and those who missed it from year 6) AND

Science and Engineering week

This means the science fair is BACK! Get your thinking caps on over the holidays of what experiment you can showcase at our annual science fair. This is always fun, messy and sometimes crazy!

Wow! That is a lot!

Any questions about it all then remember to please ask.

Have a super weekend,

Mrs Mills

Celebration Award Winners



Elm: Clemmy for Commitment & Eva for Craftsmanship

Oak: Immy for Communication

Maple: Cosmo for Creativity & Tom for Confidence

Ash: Percy & Ivy-Rose for Commitment

Willow: Ruby for Confidence & Annabelle for Creativity

Beech: Louis for Confidence & Emily for Collaboration

Pride of Colyton: Noah & Summer

Important Dates



Monday 9th February - Friday 13th February

Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 10th February

Preloved Uniform Sale after School

Wednesday 11th February

Join Us - 9am

Friday 13th February

Dress to Express

Monday 16th February

HALF Term

Monday 23rd February

First Day back

Monday 23rd February - Friday 27th February

Take a Tale Week

This weeks Words and Big Question

This Week's Words

Grasshopper	Shinobi
huge	opinion
grumpy	analyse
curve	diagram
worried	treasure
list	similar



VOCABULARY NINJA

Big Question: What's the best thing to do on a rainy day?

Magdalen Farm visit for Year 1 & 2











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

Year 5 Parents please make sure the deposit is paid by the 30th January to secure your child's place for this Octobers residential.

- **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 grey bar contains the text 'UPCOMING EVENTS' in white, with '2026' in large white numbers above it. To the right of this bar, five colored horizontal bars represent different events, each with a date label (FEB or MARCH) and a large number. The events are: FAFA MEETING (7.45PM) on Feb 05, COFFEE MORNING (10-12) on Feb 06, PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE (AFTER SCHOOL) on Feb 10, GRIZZLY MARSHALLING (DONATIONS OF SATSUMAS AND JELLY BABIES NEEDED) on March 08, and YEAR 3 CAKE STALL (AFTER SCHOOL) on March 19. At the bottom, text encourages visiting FAFA's social media pages for more information.

2026
UPCOMING EVENTS

FEB 05 FAFA MEETING
7.45PM

FEB 06 COFFEE MORNING
10-12

FEB 10 PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE
AFTER SCHOOL

MARCH 08 GRIZZLY MARSHALLING
DONATIONS OF SATSUMAS AND JELLY
BABIES NEEDED

MARCH 19 YEAR 3 CAKE STALL
AFTER SCHOOL

**For more information visit
FAFA facebook and instagram pages**

Flu
Vaccination

School Age
Reception -
Year 11

Drop In Clinic

Complete
your
consent
form here

Saturday 7th February 2026

11:00 - 13:00

Riverside Community Centre
Station Road
Bovey Tracey
TQ13 9AW



For more information
please speak with a
member of the team

Call us on
01392 342678

kernowhealthcic.schoolinndevon@nhs.net



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.

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FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

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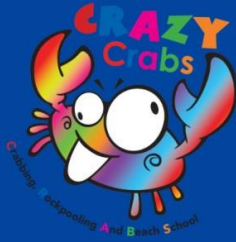
www.darchmartialarts.co.uk

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



Crazy Crabs



21st of February - Crabbing - 15:30-17:30

Please remember £3 per child and children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

To book a place please email or text Claire or Finn at:
crazycrabsbeachschool@gmail.com
07979 531109

For Rockpooling meet at: Seaton Hole, EX12 2PX
For Crabbing meet at: Axmouth Harbour, EX12 4AB
For all other sessions meet at: Fisherman's Gap, EX12
2LN





ST JOHN'S SCHOOL
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FEBRUARY HALF TERM

HOLIDAY CAMP

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL



Monday 16th – Friday 20th February

8:15am – 5:15pm

Ages 5-12

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Starting Monday 12th January 5-6pm
for 10 Weeks (excluding 16th Feb)

FOR UNDER 13^S & 14^S

Starting Monday 23rd February 5-6pm
for 5 Weeks

Costs £45 or £5 per session



for any enquiries please contact
Eddie on edandoc@btinternet.com

Axminster Town CC - www.axminstertownplay-cricket.com
Chardstock CC - www.chardstockplay-cricket.com
Kilmington CC - www.kilmingtonyouth-cricket.com



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& 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





VALENTINES

Red Tombola

Saturday 14th

February

9am-11am

Outside Colyton

Town Hall



Family

ALL WELCOME!

PANCAKE PARTY

**St Andrew's
Church, Colyton**

**Tuesday 17th
February**

10am–12noon

Please let us know if you
plan to come so we make
enough pancakes!

✉ office@hollyford.org



PANCAKES FOR TEA?

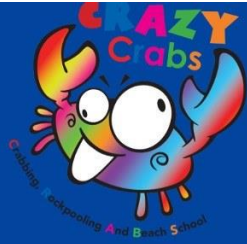
Crafts, games & pancake races!







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Upcoming Sessions



29th of October - Rockpooling - 14:00-16:00

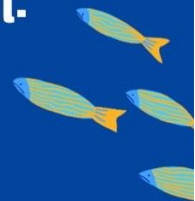
3rd of January Festive Beach Art and Craft- 14:30-16:30

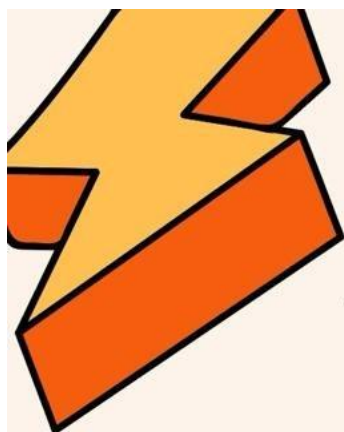
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For Crabbing meet at: Axmouth Harbour, EX12 4AB
For the others session meet at: Fisherman's Gap, EX12 2LN**

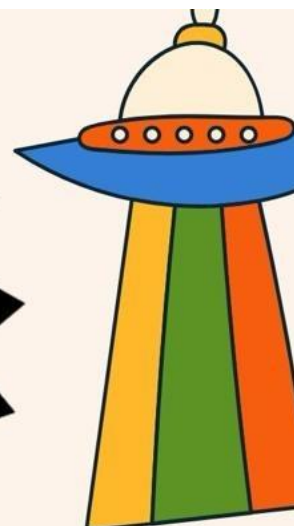
Please remember £3 per child and children MUST be accompanied AT ALL TIMES.

**Please Book by texting or emailing Claire at:
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07979 531109**





 **FREE
ENTRY**



FRIDAY NIGHTS 5.30-7PM 
STARTING 16TH JAN!!!

AT SEATON METHODIST CHURCH

ACTIVITIES

**POOL, TABLE FOOTBALL,
AIR HOCKEY, SENSORY
ROOM, ARTS AND
CRAFTS, MUSIC,
GAMES, SPORTS, TUCK,
& CHILL SPACE**

SCHOOL YEAR 6 UPWARDS

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EACH WEEK**



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 *Kilmington Cricket Club* 

QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 20TH MARCH 2026

Teams of 6
£5 per person
Winning prizes and wooden spoon

DOORS OPEN 7PM FOR 7:30PM START

PRIZES

BAR

RAFFLE

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