



Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

14th November 2025

Autumn Term Week 10

A word from Mrs. Mills



Happy Friday!

This week has been Anti-Bullying week and we have all been working hard to be kind and 'fill our buckets' with kind actions and words. It has been lovely to hear the children say things like, "Thank you for filling my bucket today!" I hope that this will carry on and we can continue to use these phrases to help us be good friends.

Today was Children in Need - thank you to everyone who donated some money to this wonderful cause. We know that for so many children their lives are not as lucky as our own and that every donation counts.

We are now on the countdown to Christmas! The parts for the year R/1/2 Nativity have been set and we are busy learning songs for our Christmas Christingle Carol Service. Please check the dates in the newsletter and on the FAFA Flier to help you keep on top of all the excitement.

Next week we have a few events. Year 4 and 5 are heading to the Grammar school for an art workshop which sounds super exciting and on Tuesday we will also be having our own reading workshop for Year 1/2 . This is a chance for you to come in and read with your child and snuggle up together!

On Wednesday it will be SILENT in year 6 as they are taking part in a sponsored silence to raise money for their year 6 hooded jumpers. Fingers crossed there is no temptation to chat!

The primary school applications opens now! From November 15th you can go online and register a place for your child to start school in September 2025. Don't delay get on there today! If you know of anyone who is still looking for a school place then ask them to get in touch to have a school tour with us so they can see what a super lovely school we have!

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Mills

Celebration Award Winners



Elm: Leo for Craftsmanship & Theo for Confidence

Oak: Arabella for confidence & Hugo for Communication

Maple: Elsie for Collaboration & Emersyn for Commitment

Ash: Zeb for Creativity & Eira for Commitment

Willow: Jade for Commitment & Aria for Confidence

Beech: Olivia for Confidence & Florence for Collaboration

Pride of Colyton: Summer & Jasper (R)

Team Points: Bagwell & Abraham have a non-school uniform day on Monday!

Important Dates



November 24th - 30th

UK Parliament Week

Tuesday 18th November

Parent Workshop Year 1 & 2 English - 9am

Tuesday 25th November

Parent Workshop Year 3 & 4 English - 9am

Thursday 27th November

Year 1 Cake Sale (Cake to Plate

Tuesday 2nd December

Parent Workshop Year 5 & 6 Maths - 9am

Thursday 4th December

Christmas Craft afternoon - Wear a Christmas Jumper

Friday 12th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 12th December

Reindeer Run

This Week's Words

Grasshopper

favourite

neat

rainbow

bright

reason

Shinobi

dastardly

lethargic

alienate

audacious

loathe



Big Question: What makes a good cake?

School Notices



- **ARBOR:**

Clubs are now live for this half term on Arbor. Spaces are limited. If you are unable to book a slot this will mean the club is full.

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

- **Parent Consents**

If you have not done so already please use this link to complete our annual consents

[Pupil Consent Form](#)

- **Flu Vaccinations**

A catch up session will be held on 03/12/2025 for the year 6's and anyone who missed out on the vaccinations

- **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.

We are aware of an issue effecting Reception and Ks1 children where you were charged, this is being rectified over the next few weeks apologies for this.

Please book Christmas Dinner as soon as you can as the caterers need numbers by the start of November.

- **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.

Ever thought about joining the FAFA?

Now you can via **WhatsApp**

The FAFA team are using a new WhatsApp community.

If you would like to get involved or help here is the QR code or link to join.



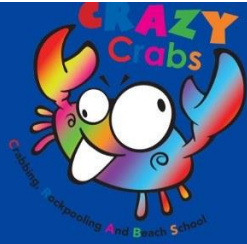


Colyton Carnival Committee AGM

Tuesday 25th November, 19.45

St Johns Hall, King Street, Colyton

Please come along to find out more about the running of Colyton carnival and how the committee works. We need new members and also more help during carnival week in order to keep Colyton carnival running.



Upcoming Sessions



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

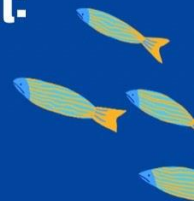
3rd of January Festive Beach Art and Craft- 14:30-16:30

21st of February- Crabbing - Timings TBD

**For Rockpooling meet at: Seaton Hole, EX12 2PX
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:
crazycrabsbeachschool@gmail.com
07979 531109**



**THE BEEHIVE'S
CHRISTMAS CRAFT
& SHOPPING FAYRE**

PLUS SANTA'S GROTTO!

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER

10AM - 4PM

THE BEEHIVE HONITON

FREE ENTRY TO THE FAYRE

**The Beehive Café will be open
serving hot refreshments and
festive cakes & bakes!**

The Beehive, Dowell Street, Honiton, Devon, EX14 1LZ


the beehive

**THIS CHRISTMAS
AT THE BEEHIVE CINEMA..**



**Rediscover Your
Inner Elf**

WILL FERRELL
with JAMES CAAN

elf

MONDAY 22 DECEMBER

AT 11AM



THE BEEHIVE CINEMA, HONITON
TICKETS: ADULT £6. U12'S £5. FAMILY OF 4 £20

BOX OFFICE: 01404 384050

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Cake to Plate Class Bake Sale



Oak Class (Yr1)
Thursday 27th November

**All funds raised will go to the
hosting class**

We are looking for parent volunteers from
each class to help at the bake sale. Please let
your class teacher know if you can join us or
email: fafa@colytonprimary.org.uk

Charity No: 1022325



Colyton Primary Academy FAFA Our Year at a Glance – Key Events for Families

Whether you're new to Colyton Primary or a seasoned FAFA supporter, here's a quick guide to some of our much-loved events through the school year. They're a chance to get involved, celebrate together, and raise funds for our children.

Class Bake Sale (Various Dates)

Children will be sent home with a plate and a date. Bring back some home baked goodies for a class bake sale. All proceeds to be spent on extra resources for that class. Parent volunteers needed to help with the bake sale after school.

Pumpkin Decorating Competition (End of October)

Children create their own carved or decorated pumpkin at home (no adult entries please!). £2 entry, with prizes to be won.

School Disco (Various Dates)

Two sessions: KS1 followed by KS2. Parents can stay or drop off and go. Fancy dress at Halloween. A chance to dance, laugh, and let off steam!

Bag2School Collections

Have a clear-out and help us raise funds. Drop off unwanted clothes and textiles at the school office or main gate – we receive money for every bag collected.

Christmas Craft Afternoon (December)

Parents and carers are invited into school to join their child for festive crafting. Please note this is an adults-only activity – no younger siblings.

Christmas Fayre (December)

After school fun with stalls, games and refreshments. A chance to buy your child's handmade craft and enjoy the seasonal buzz!

Christingle Service at St Andrew's (December)

A special community celebration with songs, candles, and refreshments at the church.

Science Fair (Spring Term)

Children investigate an experiment at home, then bring elements into school to display and share. A short write-up explains their discoveries.

Easter Egg & Bonnet Competition (Spring Term)

Decorate an egg or bonnet at home, bring it in with £2 entry, and compete for prizes. Creativity encouraged – think outside the box!

Maggiola Dancing (May)

Celebrate tradition with music, dancing, and refreshments on the church green. A highlight of the summer term!

Stay in touch

For dates, reminders, and more ways to get involved, we'll keep you updated through newsletters and notices.

Questions? Get in touch with us at fafa@colytonprimary.org.uk



Volunteers wanted

in Colyton for Rainbows, Brownies & Guides



Are you looking to give some time to the Community and Volunteer? Girlguiding in Colyton are pleased to have all three sections of Girlguiding running in the town but with increasing numbers and demand need your help to continue to offer girls the opportunities to enjoy a safe girl led space, with fun activities where they can make friends and develop their personalities and confidence.

No experience necessary, all training and support provided – we want to welcome you to the world of Girlguiding whether you have been involved before or not!

Come along and join our friendly team of Volunteer leaders – register your interest online:

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/become-a-volunteer/>

or if you wish to discuss this with us drop us an email on

1stcolytonguides@gmail.com



Apply for a primary school place

Was your child born
between 1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?



Apply online at:
devon.cc/admissionsonline

or scan the QR code. Applications open from
15 November 2025 to the **15 January 2026**

If you can't access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by emailing
admissions@devon.gov.uk or
call our Education Helpline on:

0345 155 1019



You must apply through the Admissions
Team, even if you've already given details
to a school. Applications made directly to
schools or on their lists will not be accepted.

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