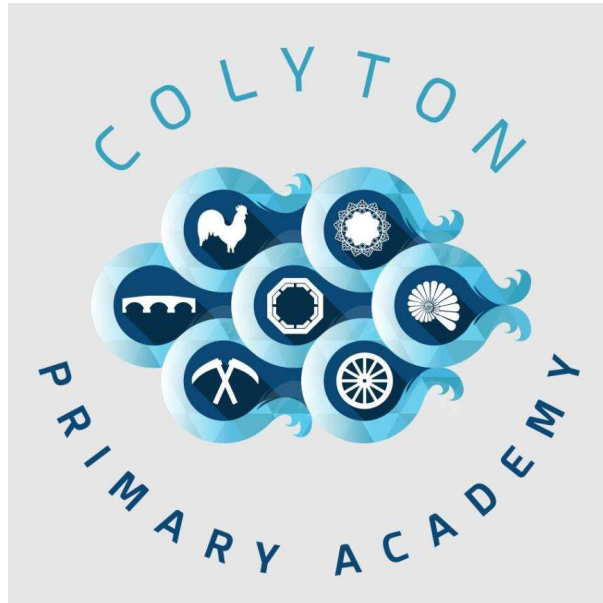




Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

24th January 2025

Spring Term Week 3

A word from Mrs. Mills



Thank you so much to everyone who attended our year 1 and 2 maths workshop this week. It was great to have the chance to just "play" together and explore how simple games of cards/dice can really help children's maths fluency.

Next week we will be hosting the year 3 and 4 families. We hope you can come along and if you have any games at home you would like to share then do bring them to the group.

On Wednesday afternoon next week it will also be the Reception class phonics workshop. This will be at 2.30pm. Come along and see what phonics is all about and how you can further help your child with this. If you are in another year group and still want to know about phonics then you are welcome to attend.

The last few weeks we have been having a huge push on our presentation and we have seen a big impact on handwriting across the school. We use a scheme called Kinetic Letters to teach handwriting now - ask your child about the positions, pencil hold and exercises we do!

I hope you manage to stay dry this weekend...the forecast is looking a little wet!

Mrs Mills

Celebration Award Winners



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- Elm: Ati & Scarlett
 - Oak: Emersyn
 - Maple: Otto, Byron & Billy
 - Ash: Wandi & Jacob
 - Sycamore: Johnny & Brooklyn
 - Beech: Rory
 - Pride of Colyton: Ada & Bertie's Grandad
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Important Dates



Wednesday 29th January

Parent Workshop Year 3 & 4 Maths 9am

Monday 3rd February - Friday 7th February

Children's Mental Health Week

Wednesday 5th February

Parent Workshop Year 5 & 6 Maths 9am

Wednesday 5th February

Reception Phonics Workshop @ 2.30pm

Friday 7th February

Flourish Friday

Wednesday 12th February

Join Us! Parent Involvement Morning

Friday 14th February

Dress to Express- Children's mental health day

Monday 17th - Friday 21st February

Half Term

Monday 24th February

First Day Back

Words of the Day & Big Question

Donald Trump was made president again this week: Do you think he will do a good job?



School Notices



- **School Dinners:**

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 £2.60 per meal for paying parents.

- **Free School Meals:**

Find out if your child is eligible for Free School Meals! Apply through the Devon Citizens Portal¹. 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)² or check the school website for information School Attendance | ³Colyton Primary Academy⁴ This also covers holiday during term time.

¹https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live

- **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, Pesto, Humus, and Peanut Butter

Thank you for your understanding.

- **Upcoming Trips**

PGL 2025 - Current Year 5's trip to PGL next year is live on Parent Pay.

From the Family Support Worker Mrs Monger

Dear Parents

Attending the 'Autism & Us' parent programme gives you opportunity to develop your understanding of autism and look at practical solutions to managing and supporting your child's presenting needs, whilst also connecting with other parents/carers.

Autism & Us programmes:

- 4 weekly 'live online' sessions (approx. 2hrs each) related to the following topic/themes:
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Apply direct by email to: educationlearnersupport@devon.gov.uk⁵To secure a place on either of the above programmes, or express your interest for forthcoming programmes.

We will confirm your booking request, and provide you with a direct link to the event. They will be delivered online 'live' via the Microsoft TEAMS platform.

Thank you

Mrs monger

²<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

³<https://www.colytonprimary.org.uk/school-attendance/>

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⁵<mailto:educationlearnersupport@devon.gov.uk>

No.	Topic	Programme 1	Programme 2
1	Autism overview	Tues 21 Jan 10am – 12pm	Thurs 6 Mar 4.30 – 6.30pm
2	Sensory	Tues 28 Jan 10am – 12pm	Thurs 13 Mar 4.30 – 6.30pm
3	Communication	Tues 4 Feb 10am – 12pm	Thurs 20 Mar 4.30 – 6.30pm
4	Understanding and supporting behaviour	Tues 11 Feb 10am – 12pm	Thurs 27 Mar 4.30 – 6.30pm

Upcoming Events and Information



Colyton Primary Academy

Story Time

Preschool story time
Tuesdays 2.50- 3.10pm





Valentines Bake Off!

Create valentines themed cupcakes and biscuits to be entered into the bake off.

On Friday 14th February.

£1 entry, cakes/biscuits to be taken to the school hall in the morning.

Prizes to be won!

The cakes and biscuits entered will then be sold at the end of the day in a cake sale.



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INDOOR NETS

At The Axminster Sports Centre

Starting Monday 27th January
for 10 Weeks (*excluding 17th Feb*)

6.00pm - 7.00pm

AGE GROUPS YEARS
5,6,7,8

Costs £45 or £5 per session



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