



Colyton Primary Academy Newsletter

20th September 2024

Autumn Term Week 3

A word from Mrs. Mills



Well thank you so much to everyone who came to the Carnival last weekend. We had a fab walking entry and we came first in TWO categories this year. Everyone looked amazing and we felt so special walking around too with our dragon and lights!

Another huge thank you to everyone who came to our first maths parent workshop of the year. This is something we used to do many years ago and parents always found it very valuable. We spent some time looking at the maths expectations for the children in both years 1 and 2, looked at activities that you can do at home to support this and then all played a game together with the children. We hope you found it useful and if you have any feedback then please do let us know.

Next week we have the year 3 and 4 workshop. This starts at 9am on Thursday and will last about 1 hour. Please come to join us and work with your child too.

You will have seen too that FAFA are asking you to join up to the Asda Cash for Classrooms scheme. This is a super way to earn us some extra pennies if you can!

I must remind you too about punctuality in the mornings. Please make sure your child is in school BY 8.50 not AT 8.50am. This is when the registers are done. If you are after this time then you may have an unauthorised absence and we are trying very hard to reduce poor attendance.

The next few weeks are relatively quiet ones while we get really settled in to the school day and learning. There are two parent workshops left to go (3/4 and 5/6) so do look out for those and also at the end of the half term we have the Pumpkin Carving Competition and Harvest service.

Year 6 Parents: You will be busy thinking about which secondary school you want for your child. You will need to then submit this on the citizens portal.

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/en The deadline is on October 31st.

New Children: Do you know anyone who is starting school in September 2025? If so please encourage them to come and have a look around Colyton. Contact the office to book a tour.

Have a great weekend! Mrs Mills

Important Dates



Thursday 26th September

Parent Workshop Year 3 & 4 Maths

1st October

Black History month

Thursday 3rd October

Parent Workshop Year 5 & 6 Maths

Friday 4th October

Reception Class Vision Screening

Tuesday 8th October

FARM Wise - Year 3 & 4 Westpoint

Wednesday 9th October

SEN & Family Support Worker Coffee Morning

Thursday 10th October

Wear Yellow for Mental Health

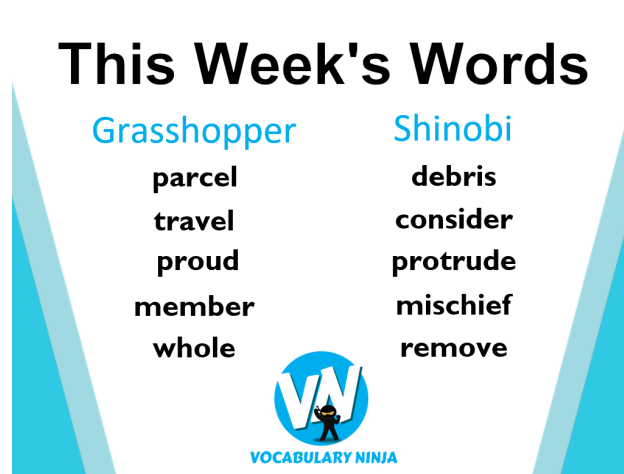
Friday 18th October

Flourish Friday

Tuesday 22nd October

Parent Workshop 9am

Big Question and words of the Day



Big question Whole School:

How important are carnivals in small towns?

Celebration Award Winners

- **Oak: Amelie for Confidence & Emersyn for Collaboration**
- **Maple: Skye for Creativity & Herbie for Commitment**
 - **Ash: Jade & Mason for Creativity**
- **Sycamore: Brooklyn & Kaydan for Confidence**
- **Beech: Brooke for Confidence & Edward for Collaboration**

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 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

- **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:**

Farmwise Year 3 & 4 - 8th October - please pay on parent pay.

Year 6 PGL Residential - 4th November 8th November Final installment is due on the 30th September. If you have not confirmed if your child is going or not please do so ASAP in the school office as we need to finalise numbers as soon as possible

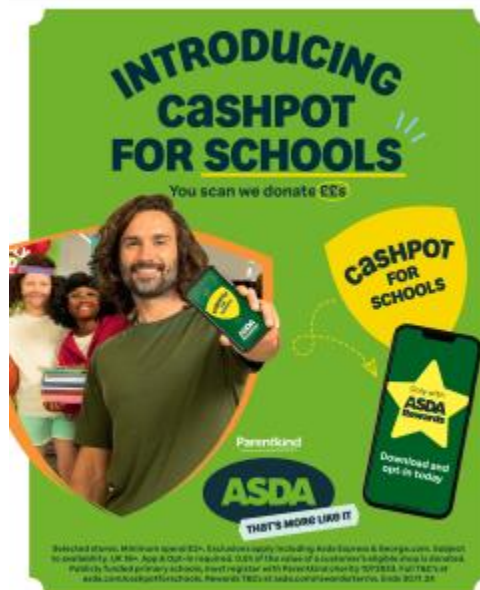
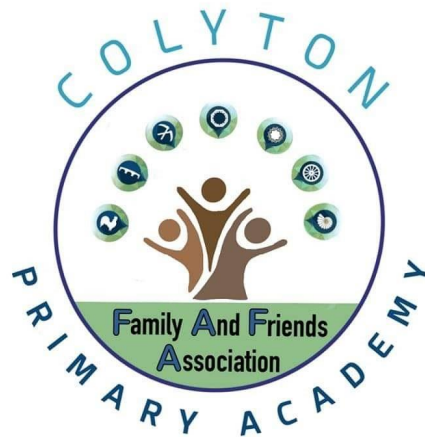
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²<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

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

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FAFA News and Information



Hello from the FAFA team. We are hoping to run another Halloween disco on Thursday 24th October in the evening at school. We need some parent volunteers to help as some of the FAFA team are unavailable. Please could you let Louise or Grace know if you can help or Mr Foster.

With out some parent helpers we will not be able to go ahead with the disco.

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools'

initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

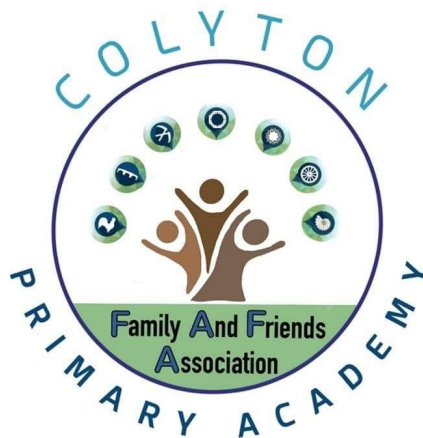
Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started!

FAFA are also asking for donations of preloved Christmas jumpers and raffle prizes.

Its also the last chance to enter the photography competition too.

Thank you from the FAFA team

FAFA Fundraising Event





From FAFA Member Emma

We are doing a fund-raising event next month & really need your support please! My husband Mark had an awful accident in 2022 & was airlifted to Bristol hospital. He suffered 12% superficial burns, 'The Dans for Burns' charity were amazing at helping us plan the unexpected & helped us get through 10 very hard weeks. As a thank you to them we have planned a Rock in the Frock night & decided to also raise for Colyton Primary School FAFA, they put so much hard work into our wonderful school!!

There is a flyer attached, THE PRICE OF £25.00 INCLUDES - a 2 course buffet meal cooked by the wonderful Nancy Rowe (chicken curry/lamb hot pot/veg option), x1 drink, a sweet bar & a great band playing (Seatrees)

We were initially doing it wedding themed but not many seem to be fitting in their wedding dresses 😊. So any formal dress will be perfect for the ladies (I'm still hoping to wear my wedding dress after alterations by the talented lady Ivana!) & suited/booted for the men! This night is aimed at all age groups, singles, couples & friends.

If you would like to come please message me on 07828475973. We will also be selling tickets (raffle tickets & party tickets) in the playground on Wednesday 25th September after school pickup.

We really hope you can support this event, Many thanks

PYO Pumpkin Patch



25th - 31st October
FREE ENTRY - 10:00am -
3:00pm

CASTLEWOOD FARM - EX13 8SS

PUMPKIN PATCH - SCAVENGER HUNT - TRACTOR & TRAILER
RIDES - CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES - BBQ - DELICIOUS CAKES -
GREAT COFFEE - BEER AND WINE



WHOLE SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

Saturday 28th
September 2024

REGISTER VIA
www.maynard.co.uk

SENDCO AND FAMILY SUPPORT



Coffee Morning

*Pop in to meet Miss Broom (SENDCO)
and Mrs Monger (Family Support)*

Wednesday 9th October 2024
9am - 10am





Photo Competition

Start sending in your childrens photos to take part in the termly prize winning.

fafa@colytonprimary.org.uk

*Competition runs until
September 2024*

A competition for the children of Colyton Primary to showcase their photography skills in next years school calendar.

This year the theme is:

Animals in Nature

(Animals in their natural habitat in the local area - does not include pets)

Charity No: 1022325



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