

Colley Lane Primary Academy

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Newsletter - 18th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

A lovely day to end the week and fingers crossed Spring is in the air! The trees and plants are beginning to bud around the school and I am looking forward to seeing how green our site is in my first Spring and Summer here.

It has been another busy week in school as the children have been completing mid-year assessments and impressing their teachers with what they have learnt. These tests and tasks help to inform the daily teacher judgements of the progress and attainment that your child is making and areas that need to be revised. At Parents Evenings, we will be providing you with an update on targets previously set and new targets for your child. Please remember that Parents Evenings are on Tuesday 29th March and Thursday 31st March. At the LAB meeting this Wednesday, we reported the improvements in progress and the governors will be coming into school later in the term to see this for themselves.

Thank you for the kind donations towards Red Nose Day and even though our uniform is red, it was lovely to see a different element of red and some very red noses! We have also welcomed Chef Graham into school today. Chef Graham is the executive chef for Chartwells, who provide our catering, and he has been showing the children the benefits of broccoli and how the children can be food superheroes. There was a tasting session at lunchtime for all the children as well as assemblies for KS1 and Year 3 and Y4. It was very interesting to see the children trying a variety of broccoli dishes. Next Wednesday, there will a tasting around tomatoes. Whilst we will not be adding broccoli to the Tuck Menu at the moment, tuck is proving very popular at the moment. Please ensure that if you would like your child to have tuck that their account is topped up regularly.



Last week, we said that we would be talking to the children about how we could support children and families in Ukraine with money being raised going to UNICEF. We will be holding a day of support on Monday 4th April when the children can come into school in either yellow or blue clothing. We will be sharing messages of support, creating a banner of flags with wishes, and holding a book sale after school. The children in Year 6 have also asked that money raised from their mini-market projects in the Summer Term be split between supporting children in Ukraine and chosen charities. Any donations will be warmly received as we do appreciate how hard it may be for some families at the moment but wanted to support children in Ukraine at this tragic time.

Kind regards

Mr Dominic Simpson
Headteacher

Next week's Aspire Character and Learner skills

- I am respectful
- I can be collaborative



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Key Dates

- Wednesday 23rd March - Year 6 SATs Parent Workshops - 9.00am and 5.00pm
- Monday 28th March - Reception Vision Screening
- Tuesday 29th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 30th March - Dance Festival at Stourbridge Town Hall
- Thursday 31st March Parents Evening
- Tuesday 5th April Year 6 Trip to Cadbury World
- Monday 11th April - Friday 22nd April - Easter Holidays
- Monday 16th May - Young Voices Concert
- Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June - Summer Half Term
- Monday 6th - Wednesday 8th June - Year 6 PGL Residential Trip
- Thursday 23rd June - Dance 'Frozen' Theatre Trip to London
- Monday 27th June - INSET Day - School Closed
- Monday 25th July - Friday 2nd September - Summer Holidays



Reminders

School start and finish times

Start time - All years - Doors open at 8.40am, school starts at 8.55am

Finish time - Reception and KS1 - 3.05pm. All KS2 - 3.15pm

Tuck Money - KS2

Can parents please check their ParentMail account to make sure there is money if they would like their child to have tuck at break time. Please note that this also applies to families who receive free school meals. Items are 30p each, other than the Milkshakes which are 45p.

Names in Coats

Can we remind all parents / carers to make sure children bring a coat to school with their name on. We do still have limited coats available to buy from the school office for just £5.

Uniform

Please can all children's uniforms, coats, water bottles and lunch boxes be labelled with their child's full name.

PE

All children are to come into school with their PE kits on their PE days.

Parking

Can we remind you that the car park is for **staff only**. If you need to use the car-park, please see the office for a parking permit.

Iris ParentMail

ParentMail is our main communication platform where you will receive emails from Mr Simpson, the office and teachers keeping you informed of school events, trips and class news. You can also report absences, book and pay for Breakfast and After School Clubs and purchase uniforms.






We encourage all parents to register if you haven't already. For those who haven't and if you have an email address, you will be receiving a verification email soon via your emails. Please follow the link on the email to

register. You will get notification when we send out forms for trips, all payments will be via Parentmail. Please contact the school office if you need any assistance.

General Reminders

School Dinners

Just a reminder that you no longer need to book meals in advance, children can choose what they would like to eat on the day at the counter. Parents will still need to ensure that there is money in their child's ParentMail account but children will indicate they are having a hot dinner on the day in registration. WNext week is **Week 2 Menu, please see below:**

Lunch Menu					
Week 2 - Mains					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Main Dish	Veggie Bolognese **(V)  Penne pasta in a yummy tomato and Quorn sauce	Pork Sausage with Mashed potato and Gravy	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Succulent roast turkey with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy	Cottage Pie  A classic cottage pie with veg and gravy	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips Crispy Fish Fingers and scrummy chips
Alternative Dish	Cheese and Tomato Pizza ** with Dough Balls (V) Cheesy Tomato Topped Pizza Slice	Quorn Sausage With Mashed potato and Gravy 	Quorn Roast with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy	Mild Chickpea and Potato Curry (V) ** Served with Wholemeal Rice	Tomato Veggie Burger with Chips (V)  A delicious homemade veggie burger
Salads	A Selection of Fresh Salads Including Lettuce, Cucumber, Tomato, Grated Carrot.				
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato  A Choice Of Fillings				
Pasta	Tomato Pasta ** (V) A delicious fresh, homemade tomato sauce with penne pasta				
Vegetables	Carrot Sticks Cucumber Sticks	Peas Broccoli	Carrots Cabbage	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Baked Beans Peas
Desserts	Apple and Berry Crumble with Custard	Fruit Flapjack	Crunchy Chocolate Biscuit	Fruity Chocolate Brownie	Vanilla Ice-Cream
Cool Water, Fresh Fruit, Freshly Baked Bread and Yoghurt available daily					
*Fruit Based **Wholegrain ***Oily Fish (V) Vegetarian					

The menus rotate on a 3 week cycle and all menus can be found on the website under 'School Life' then 'Essential Information'. You can also pick up a copy from the school office.

Asthma

Just a reminder that if your child needs an inhaler in school, please can you come to the office to fill in the relevant paperwork. You will be asked to leave one inhaler in school.

Class Dojo

Please sign up to Class Dojo this weekend using the letter provided from school. For more information please see your child's class teacher or the school office.

PE Days

Nursery - Wednesday
Reception - Monday
Year 1 - Wednesday

Year 2 - Thursday

Year 3 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 4 - 4R & 4K Tuesday and Thursday, 4H - Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 5 - 5C & 5A Monday and Friday, 5W - Thursday and Friday

Year 6 - Wednesday and Friday

Walk to School

Well done and thank you to all the children who entered the Walk To School badge competition. The children were creative and imaginative with their designs covering a range of eras from the past.

Only three designs per school are allowed to be entered into the competition, so as you can imagine it was very hard to choose our school's three winning designs.

Well done to Jamie Leigh in 4H, who drew an Egyptian lady, Harry B in RDW, who drew a dinosaur and Ayaarn IN 4H who drew a Roman soldier. Their designs have been entered into the competition and now we just have to wait and see if one or all of the Colley Lane designs win and get transferred into a walk to school badge.



We will soon be finding out which class will be awarded the most badges for March, so please continue to walk to school as often as you can or even park a little further away from school than normal and have a short walk to the school gates.

Attendance

There is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if your child has a positive test result, the public health advice is for them to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

The isolation period is still 5 full days. If your child tests negative with a lateral flow test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature, they can return to school immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two Lateral Flow tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please let us know as soon as possible by;

- Calling 01384 900450 and speaking to a member of staff or leaving a message.
- Sending an email to attendance@colley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk
- Reporting their absence via the ParentMail App.

Please be aware you **must** report your child's absence **every day** that they are unable to attend school.

What's been happening in school this week?

Nursery

This week we have started our new topic learning all about transport. We have spoken about the different ways that we can travel to and from places as well as looking at how transport has changed. The children shared how they get to school and if they have been on an aeroplane before or not. They have also enjoyed using the large

blocks outside to make different modes of transport including a bus, pirate ship and a fast speed boat with a powerful engine!

In WCR this week we have started learning about our new story. We found out that our new book has animals in it and it has something to do with a zoo. We then looked at some of the vocabulary in our book used to describe the animals and decided which word might suit which animal and why. Next week we will reveal our new book and see if our predictions were right.

In maths this week, we have been exploring capacity. The children have learnt that capacity is how much something can hold and have also been introduced to the language full, half-full, half-empty and empty. We have had fun exploring capacity in the water and sand trays.

We have also joined in with Science week by creating our own handy gardener. We used a plastic glove and placed cotton wool and seeds into each finger. We have then attached them to the window sill and look forward to seeing which ones start to grow first! You can make your own handy gardener at home by following the instructions on [this link](#).



We hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Reception

Reception children have had a busy week learning about transport from the past and historical figures. The children have been learning about Amelia Earhart and how she was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. Children have developed their vocabulary around this subject learning words such as solo, aviator and independent. The children have also looked at our Aspire mountain and talked about how Amelia was resilient and courageous.

The children have continued to enjoy the Pancake Cafe roleplay where they have developed their conversational and turn taking skills. They have taken on different roles such as customer, chef and waiter writing down orders and preparing some delicious food!

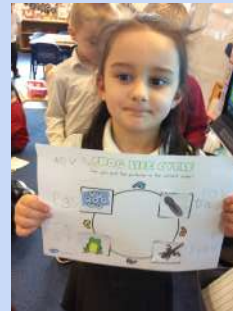
In whole class reading, the children have started to learn about frogs and have learnt that not all frogs are green!

There are blue frogs, glass frogs and yellow and black frogs known as bumble bee frogs.

The children have also had the opportunity to develop their frog drawing skills through following a draw with Jim video. The children showed real resilience and determination when completing their drawings and wanted to draw more!

Click on [this link](#) and encourage your child to draw some of the different animals at home. For British Science week the children have learnt about the growth of a frog. They have looked and discussed the different stages in a

frog life cycle and how a frog changes as it grows.



Year 1

It has been science week this week and well done to the children who brought in a project from home. They were very impressive! We were able to do some more planting, this time with sunflower seeds. We needed to decorate our pots first before adding our soil and as you can imagine made a real mess in the classroom! (Thank you to all who sent in a plant pot and for the spares, it was very much appreciated.) Hopefully you can plant them at home and you will have a giant sunflower by the summer....send us some pictures!

In English we have been thinking about different places where a story may take place. We had to think about the answer to questions like: where it is, what time might it be, what the weather is like, what we may be able to see, hear or smell. It took all our powers of imagination but we worked hard to write a setting description of our own.

In PE we have had great fun practising our throwing and catching skills. We started off on our own, then worked with a partner. We also tried using a target to aim for and developed our own game, scoring points if we got the

beanbag in a hoop and more points if we hit a much smaller target.

We have continued with our Theme lessons on the Great Fire of London again this week. We looked at how we can learn about something that happened so long ago and the diary written by Samuel Pepys. We were able to sequence the events using his diary entries and we also had a go at writing an entry ourselves, as Samuel. Next week we will start to keep our own diaries, recording things we have done at the weekend. We also thought about how the fire started in the bakery and discussed how bread was made then, compared to now. We decided to try a selection of different breads that you might find in a bakery to choose our favourites, these included thins, croissants, brioche, nan, wraps and sourdough.

Have a great weekend!

Year 2

What super scientists we have had in Year 2 this week! We started our week by exploring bulbs and seeds. We looked at what had happened to the bulbs we planted last Autumn and what the inside of the bulb looked like. We were amazed! To celebrate science week we explored how animals, plants and food grow! We enjoyed investigating the leaves outside and discussing how they grow. Well done to the children who entered the science competition, it was great to see all your hard work displayed.

In writing over the past few weeks, we have been looking at letters and letter writing. Over the past few days, we have pretended to be Peter Rabbit and wrote an apology letter to Mr McGregor. We used adverbs, adjectives and conjunctions when we were trying to say sorry for our bad choices. The children have produced some wonderful writing, which they should be really proud of. In WCR the children have loved reading the story Peter Rabbit and hearing about his cheeky antics!

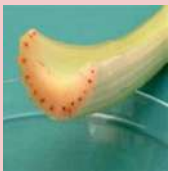


We have continued to practise our throwing and catching skills in PE this week. The children then practised throwing at a target, in preparation for a cricket game.

The children have loved sharing their jokes this afternoon and in assembly this morning.

Thank you all for your kind donations and we hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Year 3



A busy week in Year Three with lots of investigating and detective work. We have enjoyed being scientists investigating the function of the stem this week. We were amazed to see the xylem inside the celery stem. For British Science week the children worked collaboratively to make a shoebox maze to see if their pea plant will grow towards the light shining through the hole they made in one end.

Well done to the children who entered the Science project fair; Jonah, Robyn E, Ellie, Dacey, Zak and Seth. Super work one and all! A lot of work clearly went into them.

In Theme the children have been finding out about what life might have been like under Henry VII. They used ipads to investigate and worked in teams to present their findings.

More team work this week in PSHE where we have been thinking about different communities and what contributes to making a good community. The children were creative in planning their own community. Maybe some town planners of the future here!

Linking in with the Tudor knights, in English we have begun our narrative block of writing. The children enjoyed listening to 'The sword in the stone' and using expanded noun phrases to describe the setting of an ancient,

mysterious castle.

The children have continued reading 'The Wind in the Willows' and we met Badger this week. The animals journeyed through the Wild Woods and we're hoping to use some of Kenneth Grahame's description of the forest in our own writing.

Don't forget the TTRS battle between 3W and 3H. The battle finishes Monday 28th March. Good luck!.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Year 4

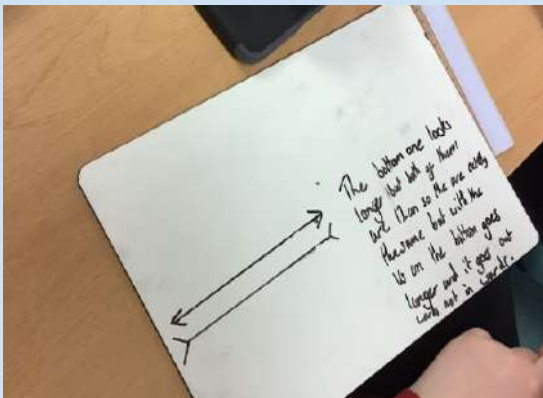
In Year 4 this week, we have been assessing the children to find out what they have learnt so far this year and what we as teachers need to teach for the rest of the year. Many children have shown great resilience in their assessments so well done! Even though they can be tough at times, we are building children's confidence and ability to answer test questions ready for SATs and GCSEs later in their school life.

In other areas of the curriculum this week, we have been using our iPads to create animations using Flipaclip. We have been drawing animation panes to show how the Vikings attacked Lindisfarne and how the Vikings massacred the monks and stole gold and silver items.

This term's themed homework is now on Class Dojo, Google Classroom and paper copies are available in school. Have fun choosing your activities! To accompany our theme we have now started reading non-chronological reports as we will be writing a Viking Report at the end of the term.



It has been Science Week this week and we would like to thank all the children who took the time to complete a project! Well done to Pippa, Raniya, Phoebe, Lucas, Thayne and Orla! In class, we have designed a poster based around the theme's week of growth, completed an exciting investigation with chocolate and we also investigated bird's beaks.



Year 5

We've balanced assessment week with the curiosity and excitement of National Science Week. We've really enjoyed exploring illusions linked to Dreamachine, artwork exploring the power of our minds and how we see and experience the world around us differently. Our brains use rules and guesses so we can understand what our growing bodies sense. In this activity we explored some optical illusions and made our own.

We've also taken part in the Green Planet and BBC live science lesson, linked to our topic of plants and living things. Children created a double page research piece of work displaying the different parts of a plant and the process of pollination. They look fab!

We've also created mosaic artwork inspired by our theme - The Romans. We've learned about the detail and complex designs as well as the process of creating them. Be sure to have a look around school for them shortly!

We are really proud of the positive attitude and resilience displayed throughout this week. Well done to all!

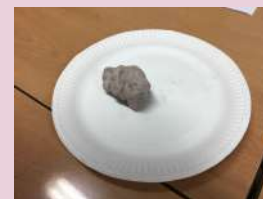
Year 6

What another fabulous week for year 6. They have really shown their determination to succeed this week, as they dived into their SATs revision with great enthusiasm and resilience. We are so incredibly proud of them!

This week started brilliantly with the children continuing their studies about the Maya in our Theme lessons. The children explored both modern and traditional methods of farming and food cultivation, comparing the strategies used in farming today with those of the Maya civilisation thousands of years ago. They then designed their own Maya villages, identifying the best place for farming and trading, to ensure the success of their towns.



As it is Science Week, we have had three very exciting science lessons based around the topic of 'Growth'. The first was Tuesday afternoon, when the children created working heart models using water, food colouring and balloons. It was a very messy process, but the children loved seeing their creations come to life and really began to understand exactly how the heart works within the body. In their second science lesson, the children went outside to plant a range of wild flowers in the school garden - we are really looking forward to seeing these bloom in the Summer term. Finally, the children had a go on Thursday at making Slime. This was an incredibly messy process and not all of the experiments went to plan, however the children had great fun trying. What a fab week!



In English this week, the children have continued their topic of persuasive writing. The children watched a range of persuasive videos from a range of famous events, including the Martin Luther King Jr. speech and the appeal to support the Japanese Earthquake Relief. The children have now planned their own speeches to persuade their classmates around topics that they are passionate about - we look forward to writing them next week.

A few reminders for this week -

- The SATs Parent Workshops will be running on Wednesday morning at 9am and Wednesday afternoon at 5pm. We look forward to seeing you there. If you are unable to attend, we will be sending packs home with pupils.
- On Tuesday a group of Year 6 pupils have been invited to attend the Dudley Book Awards for the afternoon (1pm-3pm). These children are to bring a packed lunch with them to eat on the way and should return back to school around 3:30pm for collection.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Other News....

Netflix Age Ratings

You will be aware that Netflix is hugely popular across all ages but there have been concerns in relation to age ratings and the type of content that is recommended to viewers. Like many other services, Netflix uses algorithms to determine what you might like to watch based on viewing history, what you have liked etc.

Since last year, Netflix has been working with the BBFC and 100% of the content on Netflix is now age-rated to BBFC classification standards. It is the first UK streaming service to accomplish this.

Here is a guide on how to set up a child account and choose maturity ratings. [Parental controls on Netflix](#)

Colley Lane Website

If you haven't already, please take the time to look at our new website at <https://www.colley.dudley.sch.uk/>

You will be able to find all the information that you need about our school including key information, news and dates and parent information.

Audio Books

Audio books are a fantastic way to engage readers and offer a perfect opportunity to enjoy sharing a book with your son or daughter at home. Sooper Books very kindly donated their entire library of audio books for children to

enjoy at school so we will be enjoying these in our lessons. If you wish to dip into a sample of these books at home, please access them via our school website on the following link:

<https://www.colleylanepriamry.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/reading-at-home/>

Here you will find a range of award-winning fairy tales, bedtime stories, fables and poems. Some of the titles are samples and there are a few stories which are free to access all of the time.

We would like to thank Sooper Books for their generous donation. If you would like to sign up for a membership to Sooper Books from home, they are currently offering a 1 week free trial or a £3.00 monthly subscription.

Pupil Achievements

This week's Hot Chocolate Friday children:



RDW	RY	1N	1MS	2D	2E	3H	3W	
Dylan	Zachary	Michaela	Aafiya	Indi	Olivia	Ahmed	Layton	
4R	4K	4H	5W	5C	5A	6H	6O	6S
Poppy	Raniyah	Zuhan	Isabella	Paris	Jacob	Lexie	Yaseen	Ali



Luanna in Reception took part in her first Dance competition on Sunday and came 4th place in both solo dances resulting in 2 trophies, she made everyone proud. Well done Luanna!



Well done to Dax, Rhys and Toby in Year 5 showing their whittling skills with a tent peg they made on Cub Camp last weekend with 2nd Cradley Cubs, they had an awesome time. Great work boys!

Congratulations to Maddie Neale in 4R who achieved 94% commend in her tap exam which she took on 5th March. Well done Maddie!



Please email achievements to info@colley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk



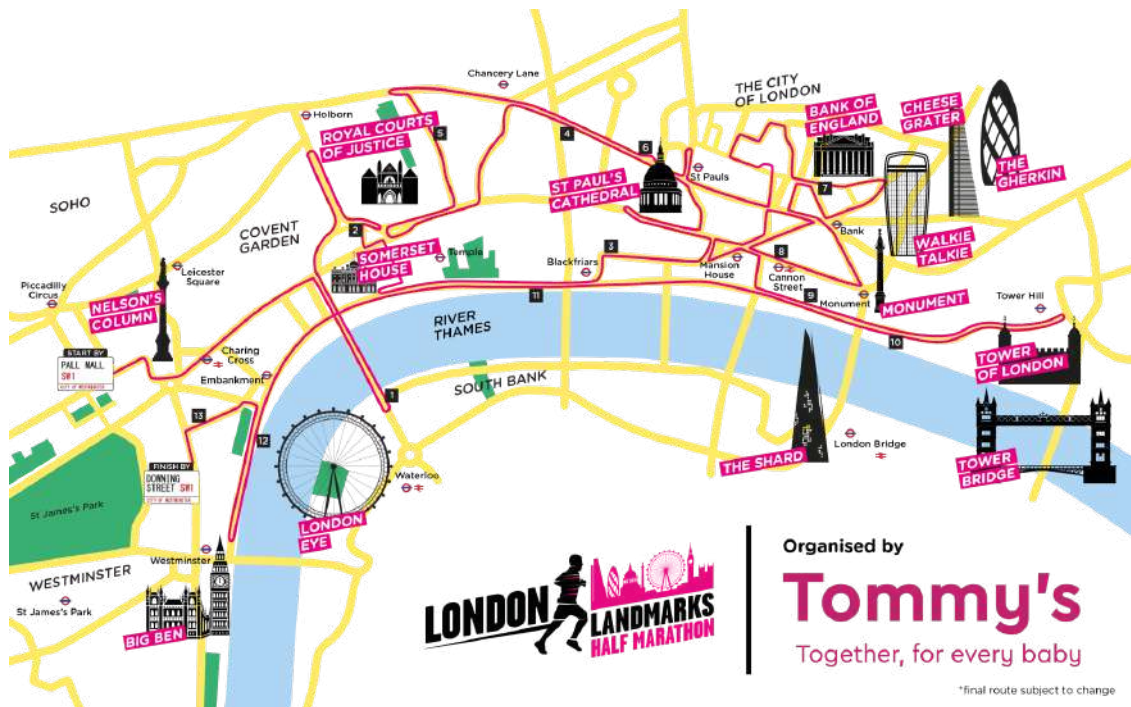
The Kindness Corner

A message from Miss Cheyne and Mrs Wicks

Hello! In 2 weeks, on April 3rd, we will be running the London Landmark Half Marathon. You may be thinking, why? Well, we have become great running partners and we are always wanting a challenge, so we thought this would be the perfect thing for us to do. It also involves raising money for a fantastic charity, Tommy's.

Tommy's, the baby charity, is an amazing charity dedicated to finding causes and treatments to save babies' lives as well as providing trusted pregnancy and baby loss information. Any sponsorship would be appreciated. We aim to raise £350. Or, if you would like to have a look at our updates, then check out our Just Giving page.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lilandkatellhm?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_transactional--donation_received--nth_donation&utm_content=234c925c-78ba-4b47-8aa1-88a405a07817&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1645622864048



LONDON LANDMARKS HALF MARATHON

Organised by

Tommy's
Together, for every baby

*final route subject to change

Black Country Food Bank

**BLACK COUNTRY
FOODBANK**
LOVE . CONNECT . INVEST

The collection box for Black Country Food Bank is now in the school foyer where donations can be brought in at any time throughout the school year.

If you are able to donate any non-perishable food items please bring these along to the school office where we will collect them before donating them to help our local food bank and community.

Take a look at the amazing work they do by visiting their website at <https://www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk/>

Diary Dates

Easter Holidays

Monday 11th April 2022 to Friday 22nd April 2022

Return to school Monday 25th April 2022

Summer Half Term

Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

Return to school on Monday 6th June 2022

Summer Holidays

Monday 25th July 2022 to Friday 2nd Sept 2022

Return to school on Monday 5th September 2022

Bank Holidays

New Year – Monday 3rd January 2022

May Day – Monday 2nd May 2022

Inset Days

Monday 27th June 2022

Sports Clubs

Colley Lane Sports Club News

We have a great week at clubs this week with lots of new and regular faces. The children are learning how to play the more traditional summer sports now and it's great to see them learning new skills.

The price of clubs is £1 per club to a maximum of £3 regardless of how many clubs attended per week (this doesn't include JSB clubs.)

Unless your child has PE on the same day as a club they must come in school uniform and bring their kit to change into. If they are participating in a club before school they can come in their kit and bring their uniform to change into if they don't have PE that day, this also applies to the JSB club.

Sports Clubs

	<i>Before school (Start time)</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>After school (Finish time)</i>	<i>Cost</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Y4, Y5 and Y6 Cross Country (8.00)</i>	<i>£1.00</i>	<i>Y3 & Y4 Multi Sports (4.15)</i> <i>YR, Y1 & Y2 Multi Skills (4.30) * JSB</i>	<i>£1.00</i> <i>£3.00</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Y3, Y4 and Y5 Tri Golf (8.10)</i>	<i>£1.00</i>	<i>Y5 & Y6 Netball (4.15)</i>	<i>£1.00</i>
			<i>Y3, Y4 and Y6 Dance (4.15)</i>	<i>£1.00</i>
			<i>Y5 & Y6 Football (4.30) * JSB</i>	<i>£3.00</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Y5 & Y6 Football (8.00) * JSB</i>	<i>£2.00</i>	<i>Y5 & Y6 Basketball (4.15)</i> <i>Y3 & Y4 Dodgeball (4.30) * JSB</i>	<i>£1.00</i>
	<i>Y3 & Y4 Football (8.00) * JSB</i>	<i>£2.00</i>		<i>£3.00</i>

Thursday	Y4, Y5 & Y6 Sportshall Athletics (8.10)	£1.00	Y5 & Y6 Rounders (4.15)	£1.00
			Y3 & Y4 Choir (4.15)	£1.00
			Y1 & Y2 Football (4.30) * JSB	£3.00
			Y3 & Y4 Football (4.30) * JSB	£3.00
Friday	YR, Y1 & Y2 Football (8.00) * JSB	£2.00	Y5 & Y6 Girls Football (4.30)	£1.00
			Y5 & 6 Squad Football - Invite Only (4.30)	£1.00
			Y5 & Y6 Dodgeball (4.30) * JSB	£3.00

Free School Meals

If your child is in Reception, years one or two, you will automatically be entitled for free meals under the new 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' criteria.

However if you do meet the criteria listed below then you will need to submit an online claim in order for your child's school to receive Pupil Premium funding.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit Run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (you must have less than £616.67 a month net earned income (after tax - and not including any benefits))

Children who receive a qualifying benefit in their own right are also allowed to receive free school meals. Children under the compulsory school age who are in full time education may also be entitled to receive free school meals.

Infant free school meals in England

Your child will be able to get free school meals if they're in a government-funded school and in: reception class, year 1 and year 2 Tell your local authority if you also get any of the qualifying benefits. Your child's school can get extra funding if you do. If you wish to apply for Free School Meals click here [Free School Meals](#) or collect a form from the office.



To ALL Parents and Carers

Give your best parenting habits a polish, make them sparkle and shine!

These Solihull Approach courses are all FREE.

1. Understanding your pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby (antenatal)
 2. Understanding your baby (postnatal)
 - 3a. Understanding your child (0-19+ yrs, main course)
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 5. Understanding your brain (for teenagers only!)
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