

Colgate School Newsletter

September 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone, it's been a really good start to term. The children are flying ahead in their learning and there's lots of exciting events coming up.

The autumn term dates for diaries are below. These include class assembly dates and '4 week in' meeting dates. This is an informal chance to meet the class teacher and hear about learning and routines in your child's class.

All dates are also on the school website if you need to check and don't have this email to hand. Please encourage any parents who aren't using parent pay to sign up and check or update their details so they don't miss out on important information.

We've unfortunately had a couple of unpleasant issues in the road already this term. In order to keep traffic moving please do consider coming earlier than 8.30 to avoid the rush. It is also really helpful to park at the Dragon Pub carpark and to walk here. There is a back route along the lane from the pub which brings you down the bridleway right opposite the school gate and avoids walking along Forest Road. Pulling up to park on Forest Road or on the corner into Blackhouse Lane is also really dangerous as it totally blocks safe movement. Finally, sitting on the yellow zigzags is also causing blocks, this is purely a drop off zone as any car staying in the zone prevents the traffic moving along the road and this is when arguments occur which are unpleasant for everyone. Your children's safety is paramount and let's all work together to keep this working as well as we can.

It's our Harvest Service at the church on Friday October 12th at 9.15am. We hope you can join us and we would welcome non perishable food donations here at the school from Monday October 8th. All donations will be sent to the Open House project in Crawley which is a refuge for homeless young people.

Mrs McCaig has resigned her post as School Business Manager, we wish her well in the future. Mrs George is leaving us at the end of next week to start her maternity leave but will be back next year.

If you have any questions about any aspect of school or learning for your child, please do contact me through the school office or your child's class teacher will also be happy to speak to you.

Finally, although it seems a long time ago, we wanted to thank you for the really kind gifts given to staff at the end of the summer term, they are always very much appreciated.

Kind regards,
Mrs. Rebecca Winn

Dates for your diaries

October

- 1st – 4 week in meeting Oak 2.45pm
4 week in meeting/ Hindleap briefing Willow 2.45pm
- 3rd – Year 2, 4 week in meeting 2.45pm
- 4th – Year R, 4 week in meeting 9am
4 week in meeting Cedar 2.45pm
- 5th – Year 1, 4 week in meeting 2.45pm
- 8th – Parents'/ Carers' evening
- Flu vaccination programme
- 9th – Parents'/Carers' evening
- 12th – Harvest Festival 9.15am
- 15th – Hindleap residential week
- 22nd – HALF TERM
- 29th – INSET day

November

- 1st – PTA Spooky disco
- 5th—Oak class trip to Newhaven Fort
- 16th – Cedar class assembly
- 19th—Cedar class trip to the British Museum
- 22nd – Maple class assembly
- 30th – Willow class assembly

December

- 5th and 6th – KS1 Christmas performance
- 7th – Apple class assembly
- 14th – Oak class assembly
- 19th – End of term

Midday Meals Supervisor

We have a vacancy for a midday meals supervisor on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. The hours are 11.30am to 1.15pm. If you are interested in the position or know someone who may be, please speak to Mrs Winn, Mrs Sanders or Mrs Oakes.