

Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

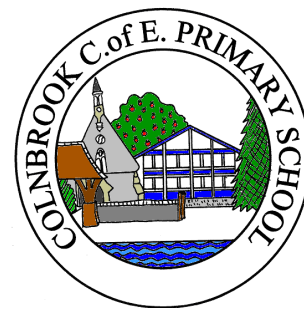
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Newsletter

6th January 2023

Be strong and courageous Joshua 1:9

Our focus value is: **Respect**

A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the spring term! I hope you all enjoyed the festive season with your loved ones.

This term is full of exciting activities and experiences. Children have begun learning about their new projects this week and each class' curriculum newsletters will be sent out today so you can read about what your children will be learning this term.

If you have a child due to start Reception in September (they will be 5 during the next academic year), the deadline for applications is 12th January. We are expecting to be full once again in our Reception class next year, and we now have waiting lists in the current Nursery, Reception and Year 1 classes, so ensure you apply on time. More information can be found via the link below.

Have a good weekend.

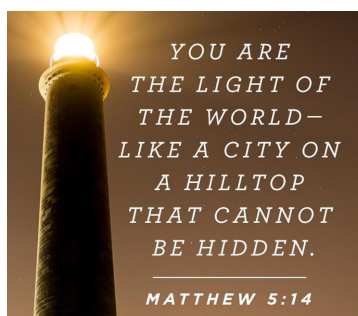
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Worship Section

At new year, some people choose to make New Year's resolutions, but often they give them up quickly. In worship this week we considered what would happen if everyone's resolution was to make a positive difference to those around them?

Why not read this Bible verse and consider how you can make a positive difference this year?



Parent Governor Vacancy at Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School

We currently have a Parent Governor Vacancy on our Local Governing Board. If you are a parent/carer of a child at Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School and would like to find out more about becoming a governor at our school, we would love to hear from you. This is a great opportunity for you to become more involved in the success of our school. Governors play an important role in the strategic development of the school and it is important that the 'parent voice' can make a contribution to this.

The closing date for nominations is the end of the day on **27th January 2023**. If you would like to know more about the role of parent governor or the appointment process you are welcome to contact the Clerk to the Local Governing Board at harpreet.kalher@sebmatt.com, or arrange an informal conversation with the headteacher via the school office. An application form can be collected from the school office, a letter with more detail will be circulated next week.

Online Computer Game: Roblox

Roblox is a free, popular online computer game which has seen a rising number of reported concerns. Please click on the link below to read a report from CBBC Newsround for advice on how parents can support their children at home with online gaming.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/63357995>

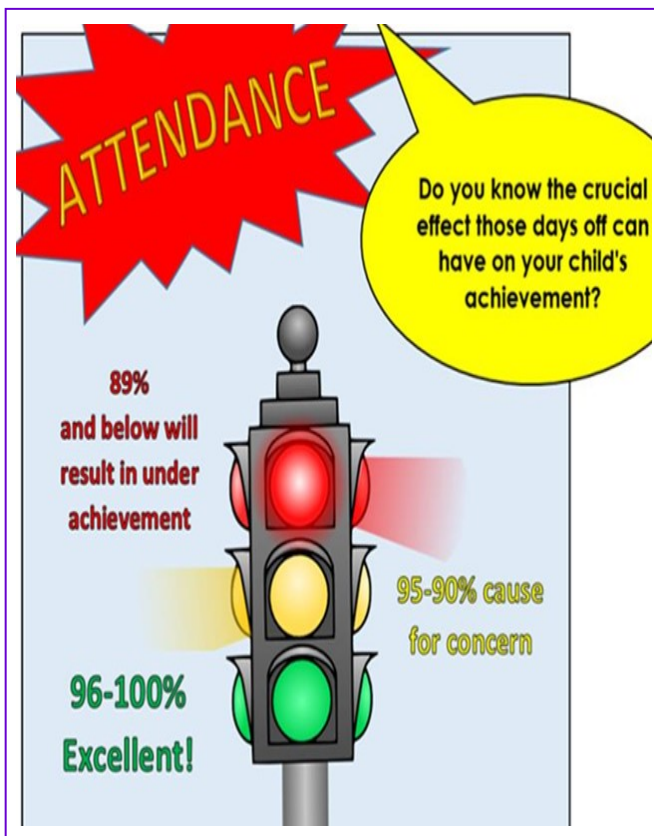


Reception Class Places

The closing date for applying for a place in our Reception Class, is **Thursday 12th January 2023**.

Please click on the link <https://www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions> and follow the instructions.

You will still need to apply for a Reception Class place even if you have a child in our Nursery.



Free School Meals

Do you qualify?

If you claim one of the below benefits then the answer is YES!

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190 for financial year.
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' – the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Did you know?

If your child is eligible for free school meals under benefit related criteria, they will stay eligible until further notice – even if your circumstances change!



Do you have children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2?

All children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 are entitled to a free school lunch. However, if you think you meet the benefit related free school meals criteria you should still apply. If you qualify our school will get extra money and your free school meals may continue beyond year 2!

Pupil Premium Funding

If your child is eligible for free school meals, we can claim additional funding for our school!

Apply today – get an application form from the school office or apply online at www.slough.gov.uk

After School Clubs

All clubs start week commencing 16th January. Please ensure your child has their PE kit, if required and that all children are collected promptly at 4:00pm. Thank you.

Autism

Autism is a spectrum condition and affects people in different ways. Like all people, autistic people have their own strengths and weaknesses.

<https://autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance/what-is-autism>

Here are 10 things an autistic child would like you to know:

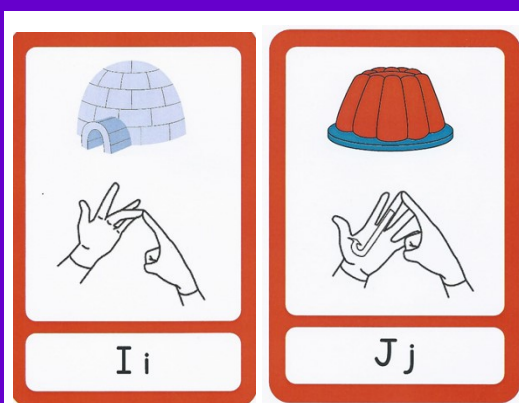
1. I am a child
2. My senses are out of sync
3. Distinguish between what I don't want to do and what I can't do
4. I am a concrete thinker. I interpret the language literally
5. Pay attention to all the ways I try to communicate
6. Let me see! I have a visual thought
7. Focus on what I can do and not on what I cannot do
8. Help me in social interactions
9. Identify what it is that triggers my seizures
10. Love me unconditionally

If you would like to borrow this book, please speak to me at the school gate.

Mrs Nurmohamed SENDCo



Makaton Alphabet



DIARY DATES

10th Jan	Year 6 visit to Eton College Museum
12th Jan	SEN drop-in session: 2:15pm
20th Jan	Year 6 Class Assembly: 9:00am
27th Jan	SEN Coffee morning: 8:50am
1st Feb	Year 5 trip to Eton College Museum
3rd Feb	Reception Class Assembly: 9:00am