## **Colnbrook C. of E. Primary School**

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Dear Parents & Carers,

I am writing to you to inform you that we are no longer allowing sweets or chocolate to be given out in school to celebrate children's birthdays.

We are all still managing the risk of COVID-19 and we are working hard to minimise the transmission of the virus among our community. As part of our school's risk assessment, we are not allowing unnecessary items to be brought between home and school. This includes items brought in to celebrate birthdays or events.

In addition to this, each family faces their own personal circumstances and, to maintain fairness for all, we don't feel it is appropriate to allow items to be given out at school. While many families can afford to do this, others cannot.

However, I do want to ensure we celebrate children's birthdays in an appropriate way in school. If your child would like to mark their birthday with their class, may I suggest that you choose to buy a book to donate to the class that they could share together? Inside the front cover we will place a label saying who the book is from and the birthday it was bought to celebrate.

I appreciate your ongoing support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Brunson Headteacher



