



Summer Half
Term 2017

COLMAN JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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CLASS ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

Class Arrangements for September will be:

Year 3	3HC Miss Cousins 3KH Miss Harrison (Lower School Leader) Ms.Smith (mornings only)
Year 4	4RD Mr. Donovan 4SH Ms. Hughes
Year 5	5JH Miss Johnson & Mrs.Henery 5LW Miss Whiteside
Year 6	6DG Mr.Genders 6SF Mr.Furlong (Upper School Leader) Mrs.Davis (mornings only)

As many of you know, in Year 6 we teach English and Maths in three classes rather than two and this has worked extremely well over the last four years; children really benefit from smaller class sizes as well as more targeted support. (Continued page 2)

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This three class structure in English and Maths for Year 6 will continue again in September, but in order to give our current Year 5 children a flying start to their final year in primary school, we will be starting the three-class structure in English and Maths after half term. Year 5 will be informed which group they will be working in after the half term break and these will be the same groups they will work in for English and Maths in Year 6.

This year for the first time we also trialled this three class structure in Year 3 and it has also worked well. This arrangement will continue in September with our new Year 3 children. In preparation for Year 4, current Year 3 children will be taught English and Maths in their base classes after half term.

The new class arrangements for September will be as follows:

Current Class

3HC
3KH
4JH
4RD

New Class in September

4RD Mr. Donovan
4SH Ms. Hughes
5JH Miss Johnson & Mrs. Henery
5LW Miss Whiteside

Our Current Year 5 classes (5SH & 5LW) will be reorganised in preparation for the Year 6 three-class structure and also to balance out the classes following a significant movement of children in and out of the year group during the last three years. Year 5 parents will receive more details about these changes to class structures at the Year 5 parents' meetings on Thursday 25th May and letters confirming individual details will be sent home in the week after half term.

As ever, all classes will have the opportunity to spend time with their new teacher(s) on the transition day (Thursday 13th July). JS



ATTENDANCE CUP AND 100% ATTENDANCE

Our school attendance cup is awarded to the class with the highest average attendance in the previous half term. Our winners of the attendance cup for the second half of the Spring Term are 4JH! Their average attendance for the half term was a wonderful **98%**!

Well done, 4JH! This is an outstanding achievement. You clearly love coming to school!



The following children came to school **every day** last half term
(Spring Term 2nd half 2017). Well done!

3HC – Ashlyn, Ruth, Kayler, Amy, Ty, Mahaan, Felix, Gwendolin, Ebony, Janna, Ollie, Delphine, Reuben, Dexter, Victor, Beatrice, Anna, Mehdi, Charlotte.

3KH – Esmae, William, James, Ruth, Jesse, Ella, Frankie, Noah, Grace M, Evie, Hope, Lilly-Rose, Sarah, Thomas, Daniel.

4JH - Mahnoor, Omar, Sienna, Ruby, Arthur, Kiya, Noah, Scarlett, Charlotte, Bella, Florence, Aidan, Ella, Elisha, Ryan, Lotte, Daniella, Martha, Archie, Alexandra, Rylee.

4RD – Imogen, Djimon, Mae, Michaela, Maisy, Annie G, Chelsea, Sushma, Lottie, Jasper, Lauren P, Annie S, Ben T.

5LW- Alfie, Eugenia, Josie, Caitlin, Nathaniel, Violette, Grayce, Nicola, Bethany, Tallulah, Charlie, Tru, Kyle, Madeline, Nathan.

5SH – George, Carla, Lucy E, Lily E, Amie, Vinny, Reuben, MJ, Sophia L, Maddy, Charlie, Sam, Maggie, Sophia S, Katie, Teegan, Harrison.

6DG – Rebekka, Olivia C, Mohammed, Harley, Megan, Habib, Billy, Jacob, Oliver, Leo, Mack, George, Imene, Alex W.

6SF – Aliya, Emrie, Yasser, Benedek, Oona, Nathaniel, Stella, Benjamin, Eric, Tyler P, Alex, Tayla.



GRAHAM MUNCKER CUP 2017

Graham Muncer was a pupil of Colman Junior School and lived locally, many years ago. Very sadly, Graham slipped into deep water under the bridge whilst fishing and drowned. Graham's parents gave the school a cup, to be presented to someone who has shown a positive attitude to all aspects of swimming.

I always choose a Year 6 pupil who has shown a positive attitude to all types of swimming, including strokes, water polo, sculling and, most importantly, water safety and personal survival.

This year the Graham Muncer Cup has been presented to Lara. SC



MOSQUE VISITS

As part of a series of visits to religious buildings in our local community, all children have been (or are about to go) to the Norwich Muslim Association Mosque on Dereham Road. Each class has been taken on a tour of the building, been shown an informative film about life as a Muslim, given a demonstration of prayer and had the opportunity to ask questions. All the children have shown great respect and thoughtfulness during these visits and we are proud of their attitudes. TG



DATES FOR THE DIARY

May

24th – Year 4 Dance Show (PM)

26th – Y6 Trip to Ringsfield Hall
- Start of Half Term

June

5th – Back from Half Term

8th – Y4 Trip to Harry Potter Studios
- Sports Team Photos
- Y6 Theatre Royal Trip to see Romeo and Juliet.

9th – Orchestra Concert

15th – SSP Athletics Competition at UEA Sportspark.

16th – Y3/4 Change for Life at City Academy

23rd – Summer Korfbal Tournament at Hewett School

26th – Y6 Performance of 'Cinderella and Rockerfella'

30th – Sports Day (Whole School)

July

10th-15th –Y6 Transition to CNS

13th – Transition Day (Whole School)

17th – Y6 Trip to Pleasurewood Hills

21st – End of Term



REGULAR REMINDERS

- If you have a message for your child about pick-up arrangements on the day, please telephone the school office rather than emailing to ensure the message reaches your child in time.
- We have a textile collection bank situated at the end of the car park which can accept clothes, shoes and bed linen but not duvets or pillows. All the money raised will go towards new outdoor play equipment.
- There is always lots of lost property in the basket in the school hall. Please have a look at the end of any school day for your child's lost items. Anything not claimed will be placed in our clothes recycling bin.
- Family Coffee morning is available for parents on Thursday mornings from 9am and is run by our Parent Support Advisor. For more information please call or e-mail the office.

NEW GARDENING AREA

Our new gardening area is finished and up and running. The Norwich Community Payback team came in over the Easter holidays and did an amazing job. We now have four large raised beds which will be used every year by children in Years 3 and 5 as part of their science curriculum. We have also received a generous donation of £200 from the PTA in memory of Louise Ringer, who was an active member of the PTA and gave much time and energy to fundraising for the school. We are planning to spend this money on dwarf espalier fruit trees to grow along the fence of the gardening area, which I'm sure the children will love harvesting in the summer term. None of this would have been possible without the help of Mr Howe, Michelle Thompson and a small group of incredibly supportive parents who have given up their time and shared their knowledge. Thank you. NB





MISS HATCH

My name is Ali Hatch and I am the school's new Pastoral Support Worker. I have previous experience of working with children and young people in many different settings, including both education and mental health, and am enjoying getting to know the children here at Colman. My role is to support students who may be struggling with their emotions, development or behaviours, as well as providing advice and guidance where needed. Working closely with the teaching staff, we aim to identify any issues or concerns quickly to prevent any barriers to learning which may stop a student from reaching their potential. I am available five days a week and based in the school, above the main office.

ONLINE PAYMENT

We are thrilled to announce that we now accept online payments for **school dinners, trips and music lessons** using debit/credit cards. This new system is brilliant as you can see how much money you need to pay online anywhere and anytime you want! Payments can still be made by cash/cheque although we encourage you to pay online. For instructions on how to pay online, please visit our website for the latest letter that was sent to the whole school last week. If you are having difficulty or wish to find out more please call or e-mail the office and we'll be happy to help. ML



YEAR 6 FOOTBALL TEAM

It has been a very successful season for our Year 6 football team. Building on the success of winning their Autumn League, the Year 6 team have gone on to win their Spring League and the Cubitt Plate. They have performed superbly in all their fixtures, winning every league game, and can be very proud of their achievements. Played on the morning of Saturday 25th March, the final of the Cubitt Plate was a fantastic occasion and a fully deserved 2-0 victory against St Francis School. This was the first time Colman has won this tournament so a huge well done to all of the team for their efforts and achievement this year. Y6 Team: Joseph, Eric, Gabriel, Oli, George, Jacob, Ellis, Max, Beni, Habib.
DG

