

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

This has been an excellent last week to the year with everyone throwing themselves wholeheartedly into the festival. On Monday the festival week kicked off with whole school Yoga and Zumba sessions to get everyone in the mood for an active week. These were followed by a series of drumming workshops with our guest Anna Mudecka, who travelled a long way to join us and ensured the children got so much enjoyment out of the day. She commented how much natural rhythm our children have and we have already booked her for next year to run some African Dance sessions.

Tuesday's festivities including face painting and hair braiding, festival tattoos, a silly sports competition and some free choice time where children got to enjoy some quiet time in and around their tents before the disco, which led on to the Year 6 Leaver's Party. This year's theme was 'Scooters and Skateboards.' A huge thanks to Mrs K. Goddard and Mrs S. King for putting so much work into organising this. The children really enjoyed themselves.

During the day on Wednesday we continued to offer tie dying, a range of arts and crafts and music activities, topped off by a live gig in the afternoon from our new guitar teacher, Mr Macandrew. There were a large number of requests from the children who danced and sang along with gusto. (If they haven't slept well this week with all this fresh air and activity I'd be amazed!)

What a shame that rain stopped play on Thursday and we had to cancel the Ceilidh! We will be rebooking our special guests in the future as everyone was so looking forward to another good sing and dance.

Leaver's Assembly is always a sad time looking backwards at the journey our children have been on through their Primary School years and looking forward with anticipation towards whatever comes next. Again the children did us proud with a school rap they wrote in class with their teachers. Reverend Mark joined us as well as several of the governors for our annual Governor's Awards during the assembly.

As well as our Year 6 children moving on, today we also say goodbye to a number of staff. Miss Fairweather leaves us to move to Ipswich. We will be very sad to see her go and wish her every success in her new school. Lisa Hadley, our School Cook also leaves us, or rather we leave the catering company and move on and she has decided to stay with Vertas and not join our new team in the kitchen from September. We would like to thank her for all the dinners and wish her well in the future. Finally Mrs Knight leaves us, although we hope she'll be back in another guise one day. Mrs Knight has enjoyed working at Coldfair Green so much that she has decided to train as a teacher and will take up a place on a PGCE course at the UEA in Norwich at the end of September. You will however see Mrs Knight for a short while as she will join us to welcome our new intake in the first couple of weeks before her course starts.

We will also be looking for midday supervisory staff and a relief cleaner in September and an advert will be on the noticeboards and the website once we return to school.

Governing Body

There will be two vacancies for Parent Governors from the Autumn Term and more details will follow in September about how to get involved in the Governing Body of the school.

School Meals

The new menus are on our website and came home last week. These will run from September and will be provided by our new catering company Edwards and Blake. Additional details regarding allergens and menu content can be found on their website as well as on the menus on our own website. We remain a **nut free school** to ensure the safety of our pupils with severe nut allergies.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been STICKABILITY. Our pupils of the week for showing Stickability and persevering this week are Sofia in Oaks class, Albert in Hawthorn class, Esme in Rowan class, Georgie in Chestnut class and Kyra in Silver Birch class. In September the value we will be considering in our assemblies and in lessons during the first week back will be CONFIDENCE as we move on and things change. Our focus on British Values this week has been 'Tolerance.' During our festival week we have focused on how we can embrace change and make it work for us, seeing it as a positive thing; whilst accepting that we all handle it in different ways and that that's ok.

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 95.6% and for this week is 95.7%. We are aiming high and want our whole school figure to be as close to 100% as possible. The class with the best attendance this week is Chestnut with 99.1%

100% Attendance for the Year

Eight children were awarded certificates for full attendance for this year. This has been a tough year for illness with two long bouts of chicken pox, scarlet fever and norovirus and we are glad so many of you managed to stay healthy and attend as much as you could. Although we have had several deep cleans this year another will take place over the summer holidays.

Musical Instrument Lessons

We have not yet had confirmation regarding the status of piano lessons in September but are in negotiations with a company regarding these. A letter came home this week regarding guitar lessons, which will now be provided by Mr Macandrew and take place on a Tuesday or Wednesday after school. If there is sufficient demand we may also be able to run these on a Tuesday lunch time.

Breakfast Club

This will go ahead in September at a subsidised cost of £2 per day. It will run from 7.45am - 8.45am, feeding children toast, cereal and a drink followed by a range of activities. Premier Sport will also be running a multi sports club on a Wednesday morning which runs from 7.45am - 8.45am and this can be booked and paid for online on their website if your child is interested. There will be no Breakfast Club in the first week which will give people time to book their places via the school office. Breakfast club will start on Monday 11th September and be run by Miss Blowers and Miss Walton. Please book a week in advance via the office and pay online.

House Points

House	Points so far
Red - Mars	1642

Yellow - Saturn	1850
Green - Earth	1860
Blue - Neptune	1680

Twenty Five House Points certificates have been given to Dexter and Cameron;

Fifty House Points awards have gone to Hollie, Maddie and Sam;

Seventy Five House Points certificates were awarded this week to Bethany and Lily; **One Hundred House Points** were awarded to Florence, Bobby and Pearl Rowe and **Two Hundred House Points** were awarded to Lexi. Well done everyone!

Good Behaviour Awards

Gold Behaviour Awards were presented to Amelie, Alex, Mason, Lily and Albert this week. Three children were also awarded Silver Behaviour Awards for their attitudes and efforts but all of the children should be proud of their hard work and achievements this year, whether this has been recognised with a certificate this week or not. Your best efforts will always be good enough! Well done to you all.

In the Community

Daisy has achieved her 200m Rainbow Swimming Award this week. I'll bet everyone will be very busy swimming over the summer and look forward to seeing all your certificates and hearing your stories about it when you return safely in September.

Dylan passed his Grade 2 Violin Exam recently with merit, through The Royal College of Music. What a lot of talented musicians we have here. Violin lessons continue in September on Wednesday lunchtimes with Mrs Orsler. If you would like to sign your child up do let us know via the office please as we may be able to offer a second day if there are enough children.

Nicole has recently passed her Spirit Cheerleading Award 4 too. Everyone is very busy at the moment it seems.

Random Acts of Kindness Awards

This week a 'Random Acts of Kindness Award' was presented to Tommy for his support of younger children. I am always really proud of the kindness our children show towards each other.

Dates for your Diary

PD Day 04.09.17

Children return to school 05. 09.17

11.09.17 Gymnastics Club Starts - pre booked - Premier Sports

11.09.17 Breakfast Club starts - pre booked

12.09.17 Guitar lessons start - pre booked

13.09.17 Multi Sports Breakfast Club starts - pre booked Premier Sports

20.09.17 Year 3 and 4 children to Woods Loke Primary School - Computing - Using Scratch Junior across the Curriculum

21.09.17 2.30pm KS1 Share Session / Learning Café - Story Bags

22.09.17 Macmillan Cancer research fund raiser - cake sale 3.15pm - please donate cakes

22.09.17 2.30pm KS2 Share Session / Learning Café - Reading Detectives project launch

28.09.17 Sponsor forms out re: October Readathon

28.09.17 NSPCC Assembly and KS2 workshops

29.09.17 Ruby in Year 4 Macmillan Cancer research Sponsored Head Shave -2pm at Aldeburgh Hospital

Have a fantastic Summer and, on behalf of all the staff and myself, thank you for all your support for the school this year. Mrs Fewkes