

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

Welcome back. It has been so nice to see everyone looking so smart and so pleased to be back at school amongst their friends. I am glad you have all had such a good time with your families over the summer and have enjoyed hearing all about your holidays this week.

It has been good to welcome all of our new children and families this week, over thirty in number, and to also welcome our new staff. Miss Foreman and Miss Taylor re-join us now they are qualified and Ms Walton and Miss Hall join us in Year 4 and Reception respectively.

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 next week.

We are looking to appoint a relief cleaner for an immediate start (following DBS and employment checks). Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Wood

We had a large amount of tree surgery carried out on the site during the May half term. A large amount of this firewood wood is now for sale. Please see Mrs Fewkes for more details if you are interested.

Topsoil

We have a large amount of topsoil we wish to remove from the site. This is free to any contractor who removes it, by arrangement. Please contact Mrs Fewkes for more details.

Staff Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for a relief caretaker and a relief cleaner. Please contact Mrs Fewkes via the school office if you are interested in either position. An immediate start is available for the right person once employment checks have been completed.

Governing Body

There are two vacancies for Parent Governors from the Autumn Term and more details will follow in the next week about how to get involved in the Governing Body of the school. Please do contact the office or Mrs Fewkes if you are interested in finding out more in the meantime.

School Meals

The new menus are on our website and are 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. Our temporary Catering Manager Juliette Lake is happy to discuss allergens and dietary needs with any concerned parents and we would like to welcome her to the school, where she is working in the kitchen with Charlene Bloomfield. All vegetables provided are fresh and meat is from the butcher.

We have been very impressed with the quality of the meals this week and plan on inviting parents in to try them with their children, one class at a time over the next half term. Over the Summer Sarah Knight has been appointed as our new Catering Manager and she will join us once all pre-employment checks are complete. We look forward to welcoming her to the team.

We remain a **nut and sesame free school** to ensure the safety of our pupils with severe

allergies. We have had Nutella in school this week as well as children bringing in rolls topped with sesame seeds. Two children and one member of staff are at risk of anaphylactic shock if these allergens are in school and we would like to remind all parents that these are banned for this reason.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been CONFIDENCE. Our pupils of the week for being confident in their first week back this week are all of the Oaks class, Willow in Cherry class, Elsie in Hawthorn class, Hannah H in Rowan class, Emily in Chestnut class and Chester in Silver Birch class and Adele in Redwood class. Our focus on British Values this week has been 'Mutual Respect.' During this week we have focused on our classroom and school rules and on respecting each other's beliefs and opinions.

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 99.1% and for this week is 99.1%. We are aiming high and want our whole school figure to be as close to 100% as possible. The classes with the best attendance this week are Oaks, Cherry, Rowan, Chestnut and Silver Birch, all with 100%.

We are unable to authorise any holidays taken during term time. Our Attendance and Punctuality Policy clearly states that a fixed penalty notice will be issued for six unauthorised sessions, missed from school. This includes six late arrivals which are coded in the register as unauthorised lates - arrival after 8.55am. Please ensure the children arrive on time as this enables them to begin learning quickly and in the right frame of mind. Breakfast club starts next week and your child can be signed up in the school office.

Musical Instrument Lessons

We have not yet had confirmation regarding the status of piano lessons 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. Mr Macandrew has a few spaces left so please speak to the school office if your child would like to learn to play the guitar.

Breakfast Club

This begins on Monday 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. Miss Blowers and Miss Walton are in charge at breakfast club, supported by Mrs Fewkes. Please book a week in advance via the office and pay by cheque.

Clubs

Day	Club / KS	Adult in charge	Number of places
Everyday	Breakfast Club 07.45 – 08.45 / All children	Miss Blowers Mrs Walton	20 – pre booked through office
Monday	08.30 -08.45 Gym Trail	Mrs Macalister	By Invitation
Monday	Lunchtime – Homework Club All Children	Miss Lewis	30
Monday	Lunchtime – Netball KS2	Miss Blowers	30
Monday	3.15pm – 4.15pm Homework Club All Children	Mrs Palmer	30
Monday	3.15pm – 4.15pm Gymnastics Club / Years 1-4	James Wilson (Premier Sport)	Book and pay online through Premier Sports – Starts 11.09.17
Tuesday	Lunchtime – Maths Games All Children	Mrs Fewkes	20
Wednesday	Breakfast Club 07.45 – 08.45 / Premier Sport - Multi Sports	James Wilson (Premier Sport)	Book and pay online through Premier Sports – Starts 13.09.17
Wednesday	08.30 -08.45 Gym Trail	Mrs Macalister	By Invitation
Wednesday	Lunchtime – Times Tables Rockstar	Mrs Palmer	20
Wednesday	3.15pm – 4.15pm Football KS2	Mr Butcher	30
Thursday	Lunchtime – Monopoly Club KS2	Miss Lewis	20
Thursday	Lunchtime – First Aid Club KS1	Mrs Taylor	20
Friday	Lunchtime – School Newspaper - All children	Miss Taylor Mrs Macalister	20
Friday	By arrangement (sign up on maths board) All children 56 club / 56+ club tests	Mrs Palmer	Unlimited – sign up to have a time slot allocated

House Points

House	Points so far
Red - Mars	50
Yellow - Saturn	50
Green - Earth	117
Blue - Neptune	73

In the Community

Amelie has achieved her 100m and 200m Rainbow Swimming Awards this week. Tyler A has been busy swimming to gain his 5m, 10m and 25m awards; Learn to Swim Awards 1 and 2 and Water skills 1 and 2 awards. Bethany C passed her Grade 1 Violin Exam with merit. Bethany C has recently passed her Spirit Cheerleading Silver Award too. Everyone has been very busy over the summer. Well done to you all.

Summer Reading Challenge 2017 - Animal Agents

Lots of you have taken part and been awarded certificates - I have seen these for the following children this week: Sofia N, Harry N, Hannah B, Nicole C and Bethany C. I look forward to hearing more about the books that you enjoyed reading over the summer.

Random Acts of Kindness Awards

This week a 'Random Acts of Kindness Award' was presented to Annabel in Silver Birch for offering to help an adult and the child they were supporting. I am always really proud of the kindness and good manners our children show towards each other.

Dates for your Diary

- 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