

College Road Chronicle

Issue 2

Value of the
month:
Equality

Friday 18th October 2019

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe that we are already at half term - they say 'time flies when you're having fun' and that's definitely been true at College Road this term.

Next term has much to look forward to including Be Safe, Be Seen day, Children in Need fund-raising day and a visit from the amazing Theatre Alibi at the beginning of December.

Over the next few weeks, the children and staff will be planning-out their ideas for our new forest school area. Perhaps you could discuss ideas as a family and send them in with your child.

I am still looking for some parents to help us look at the way we report to you about your child's progress. This would be a one-off get together (with tea and cake!) when we will look at the existing report format and gather your thoughts about what is useful for you to know.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for all your support this term and wish you and your family a very happy half-term holiday.

From Mrs Francis

Flu Vaccine

Just to let you know that the parental consent link for the flu vaccine

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon> closes on 27th October. If you have any queries, please contact the helpline on 0300 247 0082.

PE Days

These are the PE days for each year group:
Foundation - No PE at present

Year 1 - Tuesday

Year 2 - Monday

Year 3 - Monday

Year 4 - Wednesday

Year 5 - Tuesday

Year 6 - Thursday

Children need to come to school on these days, dressed in their full PE kit:

- Black or blue tracksuit trousers, (shorts if it's warm enough)
- White PE shirt (no football tops)
- Sensible trainers
- School sweatshirt

Please also make sure that your child comes to school every day with plenty of water to drink.

Children may also do PE on other days, which will be arranged by the class teacher

Thank you



Be Safe, Be Seen

We will be having a 'Be Safe, Be Seen' day at the school on Thursday 31st October.

We are challenging children to come dressed in their brightest and most reflective clothing to ensure that they are seen and safe in the dark.

We will be giving prizes to the best-dressed children, so we hope you will take part and join in by coming dressed in your brightest clothes! Ryan from Bikeability will also be popping into our morning assembly to talk to the children.

Learner of the Week Certificate Winners

Week Ending 11.10.19

KS1

Mrs Copp - Violet Elford
Miss Stone - Elaf Abdulfattah
Mrs Dinham - Myla Rose Trudgeon

KS2

Miss Elvins - Freya Welch
Mrs Cox/Miss Corbett - Brooklyn Prentice
Mrs Rolfe - Carlton Lanfear
Mr Mann - Ruby Stocks

Week Ending 18.10.19

KS1

Mrs Copp - Ula Schoeman
Miss Stone - Freddie Evans
Mrs Dinham - Casey Fletcher

KS2

Miss Elvins - Darcey Turner
Mrs Cox / Miss Corbett - Orlaith Rimmer
Mrs Rolfe - Gracie Turner
Mr Mann - Scarlett Palfrey

Please remember to return the Learner of The Week medals by Thursday 31st October.

Important Dates for your Diary

Thursday 31st October: Be safe, Be Seen day
Monday 11th November: Remembrance Service at Alexandra Park (whole school)
Monday 18th November: National Road Safety Week
25th November (all week): Scholastic half price Book Fair
Monday 2nd December: Theatre Alibi performance for the whole school
Thursday 5th December: PTA Christmas Fair (5-6:30pm)
Thursday 5th December: Clubs finish (new clubs start in Term 3)
Thursday 12th December: KS1 and Foundation Nativities (AM and PM)
Friday 13th December: Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 18th December: KS2 Christmas Concerts (AM and PM)
Thursday 19th December: School Christmas Dinner
Friday 20th December: Last day of term



Scholastic Book Fair

The **half price** Scholastic book fair will be coming to College Road during November. Leaflets will come home in your child's book bag after half term, with dates and further information.

Little Stars Coaching & Craft

During the school holidays, Little Stars will be hosting a holiday club at the school for children aged 5+. There will be a range of different sports on offer such as football, cricket, rounders, tennis, basketball and many others. There will also be a craft option for children who may not necessarily enjoy sports. Hourly, daily and weekly bookings are available. Please call Chris Weeks on 07805513884 or fill in a booking form, which is available from the school office.

Class Attendance

Listed below are the class attendance percentages for last week.

YR	- 99.33%
Year 1	- 98%
Year 2	- 96%
Year 3	- 97.67%
Year 4	- 93.79%
Year 5	- 95.17%
Year 6	- 96.80%

Well done Foundation class!



Family Support Worker



Are you looking for things to do in the Plymouth area over the half term, including activities suitable for young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)?

If so, have a look at

www.plymouthias.org.uk/information-support/send-newsletter for FREE activities and events.

Please don't forget that the closing date for secondary school admissions is the 31st October. We still have a number of parents in year 6 who have not yet applied. A parent's guide booklet can be found at www.plymouth.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Have a great half term!

Alex

Inclusive Football Clubs

Across Plymouth, there are more Children's Inclusive Football clubs than ever before.

Devon County Football Association have started a new club - Barne Barton Rangers Juniors and they are welcoming players with autism, aspergers, learning disabilities, physical and sensory impairments, deaf or hearing impairments.

Beginners, improvers and more advanced football players are all welcome.

They meet on a Sunday from 11am - 12pm at Riverside Primary School.

For more information contact Michelle 07841020162 email: seachelle73@sky.com

Story Telling

Last Thursday, we were fortunate enough to have Katy Cawkwell from the Mayflower 400 Education team come along and read 'The Story of the Mayflower' to the children and parents.

She cleverly wove together the amazing real-life tales of Squanto, a Native American and William Bradford, an English settler. The children listened incredibly well and asked thoughtful and interesting questions in the Q&A session with Katy afterwards.

A big thank you to all the parents who came along and joined us for this wonderful experience.

Home Safety Visits

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue service have asked us to promote their FREE Home Safety visit. The visit will be made by a trained technician and is available to any household with children. For further information, please see our parent board or call 0800 05 02 999 or visit fireskills@dsfire.gov.uk.



Late for school?

This is a polite reminder to parents that school starts at 8.45am.

We have a number of children arriving late every day and this is having an impact on their learning. Although your child may only be 15 minutes late each day, that adds up to over 5 hours a month missed learning. After registration, the children take part in important specific learning activities including spelling practise, maths fluency, grammar/punctuation activities and reading. These activities support the children's learning and are often linked to the rest of the day's timetable so it's very important that they don't miss out.

We are fortunate to have a breakfast club here at the school, so for £2.50 a day (or £10 a week, as you have a free day), you could avoid the morning rush and ensure that your child is here on time ready to learn.

'Learning and Fun' at College Road

