



'Everyone Successful Everyday'

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Dear Parents/Carers

28th April 2023

The children have made a wonderful start to the term, learning lots of exciting things. There are full details of the curriculum for each class on the school website at www.colton.org.uk and there is a summary below.

This term's themes:

Nursery: The Hungry Caterpillar – minibeasts and the life cycle of a butterfly

Reception: Kings and Queens, London and landmarks

Year 1: Leeds has Talent – significant people in history who made Leeds great

Year 2: Oh I do like to be beside the seaside! - coasts, seas and oceans

Year 3: 'There's Nowt Like a Proper Brew!' Geography of the UK – countries, counties and cities

Year 4: 'The Magic of Water' – Life in Anglo Saxon times and local history

Year 5: The Americas – comparing North and South America

Year 6: How has life changed since 1066? How does life in Roman, Saxon and Victorian times compare with life today?

There are some wonderful photographs on Tapestry so you can see what your little ones (or bigger ones) have been up to.

Temple Newsam Visit

Y2 and Y5 went to visit Temple Newsam and had a brilliant time experiencing 'real life' history through handling artefacts and getting dressed up.





Coronation Celebrations

On Friday 5th May, the children will be taking part in a special Royal picnic and we invite them to wear red, white and blue, or some party clothes (which are suitable for school). We will be eating our picnic lunch on the field and enjoying our own coronation.

The PTA are running a King's Portrait competition and entries are due in on Wednesday 3rd May and exciting prizes are on offer. On Saturday 6th May, the Cricket Club are hosting a Coronation Street Party which sounds good fun.

Colton Sports & Social Club

KING CHARLES III
CORONATION • 6TH MAY 2023

Coronation Street Party

Saturday 6th May 2pm - 7pm

Appetite Yorkshire will be serving a delightful selection of Yorkshire food throughout the day - Main Menu plus some specials

CC's Ices will be joining us between 2pm & 5pm with their delicious ice creams

There will be lots of traditional games, childrens rides and family fun throughout the day

And of course some fabulous stalls. We already have some great stallholders booked in (details to follow) but for further information email hazelwood79@hotmail.com

This is an outside event and will take place in the top car park area

To celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, Colton Primary PTA is holding an art competition!

Draw, paint or collage a portrait of King Charles. Be creative!

Use your own paper, or look out for a template in your child's book bag.

Entry is free and everyone can enter!

Please return to school by Wednesday 4th May.

Write child's name and class on the back to allow judging to be anonymous.

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drumming assembly today. In the summer term, we are going to host an 'Arts Week' and as part of this parents can come into school to celebrate learning in music, art and maybe even listen to some poetry! This event will take the place of class assemblies and workshops this term – dates and more details to follow.

Parent and Carer's School Survey results – March 2023

Thank you so much to everyone who took the time to complete our questionnaire. It is really useful for us to have your feedback so we can continue to work together for the children.

99% of parents and carers said their child feels happy at school.

99% of parents and carers said their child feels safe at school.

98% felt that the school encourages the children to behave well.

98% felt their child was well taught in school and 99% felt the school teaches a good range of subjects.

84% felt they received information about their child's progress and 90% felt they were made aware of what their children were learning. We would like this to be much higher so need to improve how we communicate all the amazing things that are going on more effectively. We currently use Tapestry, Showbie (iPad classes) and newsletters.

97% felt the school cares about the wider personal development of their child.

92% said the school responds to their concerns.

94% said the school deals with bullying effectively.

97% of parents and carers would recommend our school to another parent.

All feedback was left anonymously but if you would like to discuss something in more detail, the next Parent's Panel is on Friday 16th June at 2:40pm. Following a suggestion by a parent, we will offer Parent Panel meetings on different days, and at different times of day as this may help more parents and carers to attend.

New Time Capsule

In February 2000, pupils at Colton Primary School created a 'Millennium Time Capsule' on 02.02.2000. It was kept safe until February 2020 when we opened it and invited ex staff and pupils to join us. It was wonderful to read the letters written by the children at the time, and then to meet them as adults. We would like to put together a new 'Time Capsule' and are looking for suggestions of what to put inside. Ideas so far include; a day in the life of a child in 2023; Kings Coronation newspaper; predictions about daily life in 2043; possible new inventions and jobs.



Dates for your diary

Monday 1st May – School Closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd May – planned NEU strike action (Nursery, Reception and Y6 are open as usual)

Friday 5th May – Coronation picnic (children can wear party clothes or red, white and blue)

Monday 8th May – School closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May – KS2 SATs week (national tests for children in Year 6, see separate letter for details)

Monday 15th May – Friday 19th May – KS1 SATs week (national tests for children in Year 2)

Saturday 20th May – World Bee Day / Earth Day

Friday 26th May – Break up at 3:30pm for half-term holiday

Monday 5th June – School reopens

Monday 5th June – Friday 16th June – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check / Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Kind regards,

Mrs Caroline Johnson

Headteacher

