

# Colgate Primary School Newsletter

## April 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

The weather has been beautiful recently and we are able to use the field for playtimes now most days. As it gets warmer, please remember sun hats and sun cream if needed.

Thank you for all your efforts in being in school on time. There has been a noticeable improvement and this helps the school day start efficiently for everyone, especially your children.

We have a few staff changes to share with you. After half term, Mrs Oakes will be reducing her days to three days a week. Ms Marafie will be based in the front office on the further two days as she has been successful in taking up the role of job share Business Manager with Ms Fitzroy who has returned from maternity leave. This change in job share is due to Mrs Wells making a move to Wales—we wish her every success in her new role. During her time here, she has made many positive contributions to the running of our school and we will miss her!

Miss Knight is also returning from maternity leave after half term. She will be mainly working mornings leading our Lime Room teaching.

Thank you for all your sponsorship for our visiting Olympic athlete. The children had a brilliant session with her and your sponsorship has raised us just under £1000 in new sports and play equipment for our school which is amazing!

I hope you've seen the email invite to the workshop we are offering about supporting your child with online safety. If you would like to attend, it's on Thursday June 4th at 2pm. Please let us know if you would like to join us.

Led by our brilliant Year 6 Eco Ambassadors team, the school is in the midst of applying for Eco school status. If successful, it will be the perfect honour for our hardworking and creative Eco team and allow our school to fly the prestigious Eco Green Flag. The story doesn't end there as the Eco team will soon be recruiting for new members to ensure we keep our school status. This is part of our new sustainability agenda which is supported by the Local Authority. Many thanks to our governor Barry Humphreys for his work in helping us achieve this. It is an ongoing project so watch this space!

Finally, there are many exciting events coming up over the summer term so do keep an eye out for seesaw messages and emails from the Reach More Parents app. There are also lots of dates on the calendar below. We have a lovely event planned on the afternoon of July 21st to celebrate the school's 135th birthday! Please see the invite below. Hopefully you will all be able to join us!

Kind regards,

Mrs Winn

*Come and celebrate with us  
It's Colgate Primary School's*



# 135<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

WE WILL BE HAVING A COUNTRY WALK IN THE MORNING FOR OAK, CEDAR AND WILLOW CLASS. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A PICNIC AND PLAYTIME ON THE FIELD FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

## TUESDAY 21ST JULY

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US AT 12:30PM ON THE SCHOOL FIELD! BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC LUNCH, BLANKET AND A SUNSHADE IF NEEDED!



### **Dates for your diaries**

**27th—30th Apr** –Year R/1 Balance bike training  
**1st May**—Year 5 Level 1 Bikeability  
**4th May**—**Bank Holiday**  
**5th May**—Apple class Reading Together  
**7th May**—Police dog unit visit Cedar and Oak classes  
**12th May**—Perform drama workshops for Apple and Maple classes  
**13th May**—Oak reward afternoon—picnic  
**11th—14th May**—Year 6 SATs week  
**15th May**—Willow class reading together  
**19th May**—Oak class trip to Chichester Planetarium  
**20th May**—Maple class Reading Together  
**21st May**—Cedar class trip to the Science Museum

**Half term—25th May to 29th May**

**INSET—Monday 1st June**

**4th June**—Parent workshop online safety  
**12th June**—Oak class assembly  
**15th June**—Class photographs  
**17th June**—Maple class Reading Together  
**18th June**—Apple and Maple trip to Worthing Museum and beach  
**19th June**—Maple class assembly  
**19th June**—Summer fair  
**22nd June—23rd June** Dalesdown trip for Year 4 and 5  
**23rd June**—Year 6 transition event at Warnham Primary  
**26th June**—Cedar Reading Together  
**29th June**—Oak Reading Together  
**30th June**—First class transition session  
**3rd July**—Cedar class assembly  
**6th July**—Apple and Maple Sports afternoon  
**7th July**—Maple class trip to Pizza Express  
**7th July**—Oak, Cedar and Willow's Sports afternoon  
**8th July**—Second class transition session  
**10th July**—Discos after school  
**13th July**—Third class transition session  
**14th July**—Willow class production (afternoon)  
**15th July**— Willow class production (evening)  
**17th July**—Reports out  
**20th July**—Year 6 slip and slide  
**21st July**—Colgate Birthday Party and KS2 walk in the morning  
**22nd July**—End of term and Year 6 leavers' assembly