



NEWSLETTER

Thursday 17th January 2019

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Head talk

It has been an exciting week at school. On Monday, we welcomed the Pelleas Ensemble and were mesmerised by a talented trio of musicians. Oliver, Henry and Luba let us into a few secrets of the inner workings of the ensemble. The assembly lasted twenty minutes but we could have listened for hours! On Tuesday, the children enjoyed an Anglo Saxon assembly and found out a little of what life was like during this period of history. Rumours of two Fire Engines at school yesterday are absolutely true! We run a weekly test of our fire alarm system, that our alarm provider is fully aware of....or so we thought! Class 2 are looking forward to their Great Fire of London experience tomorrow. More on that next week.

As ever, you can often find me on the gate at the beginning or end of the day.

David Larner

Headteacher

School lunches

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 21st January 2019 is WEEK 1.

A reminder that all dinner money must be handed in, on a Monday morning, to the class teacher. The money must be in an envelope, marked with the child's name. Thank you.

We now have an Automated External Defibrillator (AED)



We are enormously grateful to our Parent Group for agreeing to fund an Automated External Defibrillator for our school. The AED is sited outside the school office. The Department for Education recognises the important role that AEDs can play in ensuring the health and safety of pupils, staff and other users of school premises.

Modern AEDs are inexpensive, simple to operate and safe for users. The AED will analyse the individual's heart rhythm and apply a shock to restart it, or advise that CPR should be continued. Voice and/or visual prompts will guide the rescuer through the entire process from when the device is first switched on or opened. These include positioning and attaching the pads, when to start or restart CPR and whether or not a shock is advised. Staff will look at a training video next week in our Staff Meeting. Of course, we are pleased to have a defibrillator at school but hope that we never use it!



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Cake Sale for St Helena Hospice – Thursday 17th January 2019



A big thank you to everyone who has kindly supported the St Helena Hospice Cake Sale at school today. I will let you know how the 5 day trek across Iceland has gone after my return in March.

Thank you so much!

Alison Phillips

Job Vacancy – Premises Manager

Our premises management is provided through a consortium. The post holder is retiring. The advert can be accessed using this link:

<https://tsconsortium.org.uk/essex/primary/tsc/site/pages/premisesmanagement>

Celebration Assemblies

Friday 18th January and Friday 25th January

Please note that there will be NO Celebration Assembly tomorrow due to a Class 2 event being held in the school hall. Also, next week we are moving Celebration Assembly to Thursday 24th January from Friday 25th January.

No Netball Club - Monday 28th January & Monday 11 February

Please note that there will be no Netball Club on Monday 28th January and 11th February due to us hosting a match on the 28th January against Highfields and the return match on the 11th February.

Stamp Appeal

Collect your used stamps and help fundraise for RNIB. At school we have been collecting used stamps for many years, for donating to charity, but thought that this would be an ideal time to remind everyone that we do have a collection box within school. If stamps can be trimmed to leave a 1cm boarder around them (please see attached information for further details) that would be appreciated.

Anglia Sports Management (ASM)

ASM have advised that if you wish your child(ren) to join either the Multisports after school sessions on a Tuesday (KS1) or Football after school sessions on a Friday (Years 3 & 4) please can you contact them



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directly on: 01206392506 or via e-mail:
info@angliasportsmanagement.com or via the
website: www.angliasportsmanagement.com
to book with them.

Thank you.

Guitar/Ukulele Lessons

Unfortunately there were no guitar/ukulele
lessons held this week. Please note that all 10
lessons will be held this term as invoiced.
Thank you.

Interested in **training to**



High quality **primary** and **secondary**
graduate teacher training
based in **Colchester**

Open Evening
26 February 2019

4.30 - 6.30pm
Talk at 5.30pm



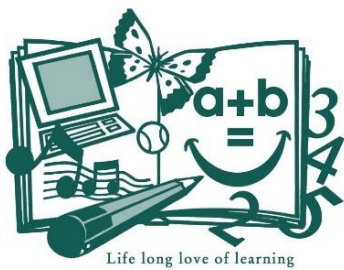
Held at:
Colchester Teacher Training Consortium
Colchester County High School for Girls,
Norman Way, Colchester CO3 3US



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Enrichment Activities

Attached to this Bulletin are flyers regarding possible enrichment activities. These are organised by external organisations. Whilst Dedham Primary School is happy to share these opportunities with our parents and students we have no responsibility for them.

Colchester High School

Colchester High School have advised that there are a few changes that have been made to the admissions process for their Year 7 entry 2020. Attached is a timeline that highlights dates for the coming year.

For entry 2020 the process will now begin earlier with offers of places being made before Christmas 2019. The taster day in November 2019 will incorporate interviews with members of the Senior leadership team and small groups of pupils.

There are also changes to the Scholarship programme meaning pupils can apply for up to two scholarships, including the Academic awards for English, Maths and Science. The scholarship assessment week will take place in November 2019.

If you require any further information please contact Kate Cryne, details as below.

Also attached is an invite for pupils that are interested in mathematics to attend an Education Day based around the subject taking place on Saturday 2nd February.

Mrs Kate Cryne - Admissions Registrar - Tel: 01206 217116 - Email: kate.cryne@cognita.com

Calendar dates for the spring term

| Date | Event |
|--------------------------|--|
| 3 rd Jan | First day of term |
| 13 th Feb | Non-uniform day for DEN Site |
| 14/15 th Feb | Non-pupil days |
| 18-22 nd Feb | Half term |
| 8 th Mar | Book day – fancy dress Come dressed as a favourite book character |
| 12 th Mar | Parents' Evening |
| 13 th Mar | Parents' Afternoon |
| 5 th Apr | End of term assembly at Dedham Church at 10:00am |
| 8 – 22 nd Apr | Easter holiday |