# Colgate School Newsletter May 2017



## Dear Parents,

It's nearly the half term break and it's well deserved as everyone has worked really hard. The children visit regularly to share their excellent work and when I've visited classes this half term, I've seen really exciting learning happening.

I've recently set up a Colgate Twitter page to go live after half term and would like to share examples of children's learning and events at the school. This wouldn't include names of children and if you have opted your children out of photo consent, then they wouldn't be shown at all. If you would like to follow the page please look for @ColgatePrimary and tick to follow us. Only those that follow would see the posts and I would monitor all followers. Don't forget to also sign up for the Facebook page FCPS (Friends of Colgate Primary School). This is a closed group which shares school information relevant to all parents and carers.

Next half term we have many exciting events; please check our dates for diaries box on the next page. Class assembly dates are there plus future class trips, school performance date, sports day and the Summer Fair, Year 5 camp and leavers' assembly.

A big thank you to all of you who have helped in school recently. We wouldn't be able to support our learning without you, whether it's as part of the Friends of Colgate Primary School PTA, as a reader or as a driver. If you are someone who helps regularly, we would like to apply for a DBS check for you. This is good practice for us when using your valuable support. Please see Mrs. Oakes in the front office if you haven't had a DBS check yet but help out in school.

We are pleased to welcome back Miss. Skilton after half term. She will be covering Planning Preparation and Assessment time (PPA) in Oak and Cedar class until the Summer holidays.

Thank you for all of your completed parent questionnaires. We have had a positive response and it is really helpful in planning our next steps for the school.

A really big well done to our Year 6 children who calmly and confidently dealt with their recent tests. Mr. Clark and I are very proud of them. They will be taking part in our new Forest Schools programme next half term - letter to follow shortly.

As always, please be mindful when driving near school. I've recently had a couple of communications from neighbours of the school who have either been blocked in or are worried about safety in the road. We are all aware of the limitations of the road so please give yourself time to park safely and negotiate your arrival and exit. Please remember not to park on the yellow zigzags after school. This is a safety zone for the children and it causes blockages along the road as it removes the safe place for cars to pass each other which results in jamming at the top end of the road. The pub car park is only a few minutes walk away and is a very safe option for all.

Thank you for helping with this.

Have a lovely break and enjoy the good weather!

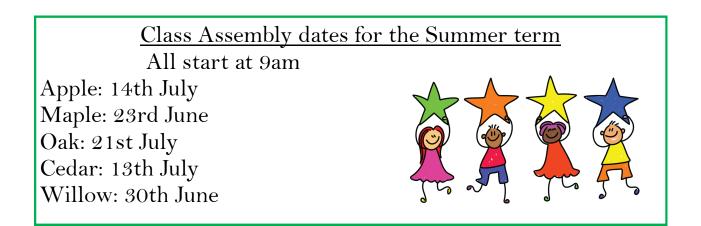
Kind regards,

Mrs. Rebecca Winn

# Key Stage 2 Production

Please note that due to a number of date clashes with Year 6 transition days, we have had to move the date of the Production. It will now be held on **Monday July 10th** at 2pm and 6pm.

More information will follow but please note the date change.



If you would like to share a local community event for children and families on the school newsletter, please let us know in the school office and we'll add it to the next issue.

# FCPS/PTA Summer Fair June 30th

Our school summer fair follows straight after our sports afternoon. A letter will be coming out shortly by email requesting donations and a **non uniform day on Friday June 9th** when donations can be brought into school. All help and donations, including Raffle Prizes are gratefully received!

## **Dates for your diaries**

### MAY

(29th – 2nd: HALF TERM)
JUNE
5th: INSET day
8th: Oak Class trip—Littlehampton
9th: Non uniform day—Summer fair donations
12th: Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
13th: New Year R Parents and Carers' meeting @ 1.30pm
14th: FCPS/PTA meeting 8.45am All welcome
16th ASSHLETICS—KS2
22nd: Year 5 camp
23rd: Maple Class Assembly
30th: Willow Class assembly
30th: Sports Day Afternoon. Starting at 1pm. Summer Fair after sports day.

#### JULY

4th: WWO parent meeting @ 2.30pm—All welcome
10th: Yr 4, 5 & 6 Production Performances @2pm & 6pm PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
7th: Reserve Day Sports Day Afternoon
13th: Cedar Class assembly
14th: Apple Class assembly
21st: Oak Class assembly
25th:Leavers Assembly @ 2pm
END OF TERM

#### INSET DAYS AND TERM DATES 2017-2018

Monday 4th September INSET Tuesday 5th September INSET Back to school Wednesday 6th September Half term 23rd to 27th October Monday 30th October INSET End of Autumn term 20th December

Start of Spring term 2018 4th January Half term 13th to 16th February Monday 19th February INSET Easter break 30th March to 13th April

*Summer half term 28th May to 1st June* Monday 4th June INSET END OF TERM Tuesday 24th July 2018

Don't forget to provide a sun hat, suncream and a water bottle for your child whilst the weather is good!





