



School News



Issue 3

September 30th

Dear Parents,
Now that I've recovered from an excellent week away with Year Six, I am writing this week's School News. We all had a fabulous time, despite the extremes of weather. I did get my swim in the lake, thank you Eliot and Ben!

Harvest Festival

I'd like to remind everyone that we are holding our Harvest Festival on Tuesday 4th October, **it will start at 1415** at St Andrew's Church. We'd be grateful if the children could donate some food, which we will add to the Church's collection. Many thanks and I hope to see you there

Croft Farm

A great week was enjoyed by all those who went.



Governing Body

At our last Full Governing Body Meeting, 15th September, Mr Collier decided that he wished to stand down from his role as Chair. He helped the school through a difficult period last year. Fortunately we will not be losing his expertise and experience as Mr Collier will remain as a Governor. Stepping into the role of Chair is Mrs Natalie McNeice, with Mr Barry Sindall and Mrs Yvone Spijkerman acting as joint Vice-chairs.

Shoebox Appeal

Today your child should bring home a leaflet detailing this year's Shoebox Appeal. The closing date this year is 15th November. Please help us to make this appeal a huge success this year.

School Dinners

Please ensure that dinner monies are paid on a Monday morning please because Mrs. Bilton does not work here on a Tuesday or Wednesday and the paperwork for the dinners need to be completed on the Monday to ensure that your child's dinners are ordered. Thanks

Colyton Library

As some of you may be aware, the library in Colyton will be reducing its hours from 26th September. We feel that the library is a vital resource for the community, one we don't wish to lose. The "Friends of Colyton Library" are campaigning to keep the library open, replacing the lost hours with volunteers.

There are a number of things we can do to support the library including:

1. Join the library if you or any member of your family is not a member already. Joining the library is free of charge; this allows you to borrow up to 12 books at a time for 3 weeks. The library in Colyton also has 3 computers which are available to use free of charge free of charge. DVDs and CDs can be borrowed for a small charge. The library also runs a variety of craft and activity sessions for children throughout the year.
2. Use the library. Keep borrowing books and more books!
3. Write to any of the below expressing your views or to ask questions about the future of library services for Colyton.

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I will be available each **Thursday** between 9:00 and 9:30 should any parent wish to drop in for a coffee and a chat, as I am teaching on Fridays.



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Diary Dates	
Harvest Festival, 1415 at the church	4 October
Parent Meeting about supporting your child in Maths. Details to follow	19 October
Bikeability course for Year 6	18-21 October
Half Term	24-28 October
Back to School	31 October
Individual Photographs taken 1330-1430	7 November
School Closed for Staff Training	25 November
Parents' Evening 1530-1830	16 & 17 November TBC
Christmas Holiday	19 December - 4 January
Back to School	4 January
Half Term	13-17 February
Back to School	20 February
Easter Holiday	2-13 April
Back to School	16 April
School Closed for Staff Training	4 May
School Closed for Bank Holiday	7 May
Half Term	4-8 June
Back to School	11 June
School Closed for Staff Training	8 June
Summer Holiday	23 July – 2 September
Back to School	5 September TBC