

COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 32 – MAY 2022

Attendance Champions

- 1st Place: Year 5 – 98.67%
- 2nd Place: Year 3 – 96.92%
- 3rd Place: Year 1 – 96.67%
- 4th Place: Year 2 – 95.17%
- 5th Place: Year 4 – 94.83%
- 6th Place: Year 6 – 92.76%
- 7th Place: Year R – 81.72%

Extra Bank Holiday

Just a reminder that this half term finishes at 3.20pm (or 4.20pm if your child has an extra-curricular club) on Thursday 26th May. The early half term closure has been given to schools in lieu of the extra bank holiday for the Platinum Jubilee which falls during half term week. We return to school on Monday 6th June for the second half of the summer term.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance is at present 94.4% which is low for our school. I know there has been a lot of illness apart from Covid but the number of children absent from school due to unauthorised holidays is a concern. The children have already lost learning due to the pandemic and taking holidays in term time makes it more difficult for the children to progress. They are missing the sequence of learning to develop and deepen their skills, knowledge and understanding.

Notes from the Head Teacher



It has been lovely to be back in school this week following my Covid absence. Many thanks for your good wishes and I'm pleased to say I'm feeling much better.

The school community enjoyed a Jubilee lunch yesterday. Thank you to Denise and her team in the kitchen for making it so special for the children. We will be sharing some of the photographs taken on twitter.

I know our Chair of Governors, Melvyn Allen has been keeping you updated about the recruitment of a new Head teacher. It is disappointing that they were unable to appoint this time but another advert has gone out this week. I understand that it is an unsettling time for the school community and ask that you keep the governors, staff and children in your prayers over the next few weeks.

Our Year 6 children should be so proud of how calmly they applied themselves during the SATs week. Having missed two terms of face to face teaching, and the wider impact of the pandemic on many of them, they have all worked so hard and done their very best. The children have displayed real resilience and determination, Well done!

Reflection:

Live today, not yesterday.
Not tomorrow. Just today.
Inhabit your moments,
Don't rent them out to tomorrow.