COULSDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 13 – DECEMBER 2022

Attendance Champions – Week 13

1st Place – Year 2: 100% 2nd Place – Year 4: 98.93% 3rd Place – Year 6: 98.62% 4th Place – Year 5: 98% 5th Place – Year 8: 97.67% 6th Place – Year 1: 95% 7th Place – Year 3: 94.48%

Christmas Cards

Children are welcome to bring in Christmas cards and put them in our Christmas letter box which will be situated in the Infant corridor. Please ensure envelopes are clearly marked with the name and class of the child. We are encouraging children to use this letter box to minimise the chance of envelopes and cards being left around the school.

The Rotary Club Christmas Collection

The Rotary club, supported by some of our staff, will be collecting money in the neighbourhood next Monday and Tuesday evenings. The Christmas collection is their largest income producing event and monies received from last Christmas collections benefitted Coulsdon C of E school and other local groups including our local Scouts and Air Cadets as well as SE Cancer help centre, Reedham Children's Trust, Young Lives v Cancer, The Garwood Foundation and Childaid Eastern Europe (support to Ukraine)

Curriculum Corner – Pear 2

Year 2 went on an enrichment outing this week to the annual Croydon Schools Music & Arts Christmas Concert at The Minster Church in central Croydon. We heard some amazing music and even saw Mr Snowman conducting the orchestra! The children were beautifully behaved and a credit to the school. Well done Year 2 and thank you to the Friends for funding this trip.

Notes from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents,

This has been a very busy week and Christmas is definitely here! Our choir entertained the Mothers' Union at their annual Christmas party on Tuesday. Thank you to all the children and Mrs Jackson. They truly brought some Christmas joy and helped to maintain this valuable link with the Church and our local community.

Years 3 & 4 took part in a hockey competition on Tuesday. Mrs Newsome said it was a wonderful event and great to see how well the younger children were supported by the older children.

Six local schools competed in the Quiz Club event this week at Woodcote Primary school. Our Coulsdon team did very well and scored 1305 points coming in second place. Well done to Ria, Ted, Freddie P and Thomas, and thank you to the staff who took them.

Reminders for drop off and pick up time

Please can parents and carers waiting for KS2 pupils avoid waiting on the woodchip area or in front of the wall. Year 4, 5 and 6 children all come out this way so it can be congested. Please wait in the main part of the playground. If you need to speak to a teacher, please wait until the children have been handed over before coming forward. Thank you for your support with this.

Reflection

In this first week of Advent we think about hope, hopes we have for ourselves and the hopes we have for others as we approach Christmas. We think about God and the hope He gave us, sending His son.

A child has been born to us, A son has been given. He will rule the people.

He will be called: Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. There will be no end to his rule and the peace that he brings